

25th June 2025

Dear Parent / Carer

RE: Music Tuition & Fees from September 2025

Welcome to the Deanery Church of England High School. This is an information letter should your child wish to continue with music lessons (from Primary School) in September 2025 when they join us, or if they would like to start learning an instrument in High School as a beginner.

We no longer issue invoices for your child's music tuition. Instead, midway through a half term, you will receive a Synergy message from the finance office stating the amount you owe for the next term.

Wigan Music Service have increased the cost of the lessons for the academic year 2025-2026, as detailed below:

- Group Lessons @ £6.99 per lesson
- Individual Lessons @ £13.98 per lesson

All lessons are paid for in advance so that we can book your child's tutor. Failure to make payment by the deadline given, will result in your child being withdrawn from lessons for that half term and they will only have the opportunity to re-join in the next half term. **

The Deanery High School buys the services of instrumental music tutors from Wigan Music Service on the basis of the number of pupils who book instrumental lessons at the beginning of each half term. Regrettably, therefore, it is not possible to refund any part of the fee should your child be unable to attend a particular lesson because of an external commitment or illness. Clearly, if long-term illness is involved then we will be able to arrange to change the booking arrangements with the music service. If school need to cancel due to a school event or the music service tutor has cancelled, then the cost of the missed lesson will be deducted from the following terms fees.

It is your child's responsibility to regularly check on the board in the Music Department to see when their lessons are, or if they have been changed or cancelled.

The Music Service now offers an Assisted Tuition Scheme for parents, which has replaced the former Bursary Scheme for pupils who receive free school meals. Parents/Carers with financial difficulties or hardship may apply to the Assisted Tuition Scheme. To check eligibility and for further information please contact the Music Service Tel: **01942 776169**.

If you wish your child to commence/continue music lessons, please complete the instrumental form that has also been sent with this letter, and return it to the Deanery Reception (for the attention of the Finance Team) or alternatively, if you have access to scan in the form and email it to finance@deanery.wigan.sch.uk, this is the preferred option. Please note the deadline for the form to be returned to the finance team is 12pm on Friday 4th July 2025.

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If Parentpay is set up in time, you will be required to pay the amount by **12pm on Friday 11th July 2025**. Please don't worry if this is not set up in time, as you will be able to pay in the first week of September when your child starts High School, and we will hold their places with the Music Service.

After this first payment, the rules stated in the fourth paragraph (**) of this letter will apply regarding the notification of payment & the deadline date(s)

If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to email finance@deanery.wigan.sch.uk

Regards

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