



# BBS MUSIC DEPARTMENT

## INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

### Get involved in Music at BBS

Learning a musical instrument is a great way to develop life skills such as self-discipline and commitment, while also helping to build confidence and the BBS Music Department is proud of its musical tradition with many students taking part in instrumental lessons and our extra-curricular music groups every year.

### Instrumental lessons

In September all Year 7 students will take part in instrumental demos and be given the chance to sign up for lessons. We currently offer lessons on the following instruments:

- Brass– trumpet, trombone, euphonium, French horn, tuba
- Woodwind– flute, clarinet, saxophone
- Guitar– classical, electric, bass and ukulele
- Piano and keyboard
- Singing
- Drums

Our peripatetic staff offer individual lessons, lasting between 20-30 minutes that take place during the school day on rotation so that pupils don't miss the same lesson each week. Prices vary by teacher and length of lesson. Group, lunchtime and after school lessons may be available on request, but cannot be guaranteed.

Student progress is closely monitored by the Music Department and as soon as they are ready, students will be expected to join to one of our school bands or ensembles to further help their progress.

### Extra-Curricular Performing Arts

We offer a range of extra-curricular groups and bands for students who want to take part in performing arts at school including:

- Choir– open to students from all years
- Junior Band– for beginner brass, woodwind and percussion players
- Concert Band– invite only for more advanced musicians
- School musical– open to students from all years
- Drama club– open to all KS3 students

Our musicians and ensembles take part in a range of performances including Christmas and Summer Concerts, the Newport Show and Newport Big Sing. Our practice rooms are also available for students to use at lunchtimes and after school to rehearse.

**For more information about instrumental lessons & performing arts clubs at BBS please email our Head of Music at [alison.ruston@lct.education](mailto:alison.ruston@lct.education)**

### Did you know?

Junior Band is not just for Burton Borough students– we also have Year 4, 5 and 6 brass, woodwind and percussion players from the Newport and surrounding area schools. We also offer Brass and Woodwind lessons at Newport Junior School and woodwind lessons at Lilleshall Primary.

If you know any primary students who would like lessons or already play and would like to get involved in Junior Band please contact [alison.ruston@lct.education](mailto:alison.ruston@lct.education)