



Start learning a musical instrument!

Dear Parent/Carer,

Does your child want to learn a musical instrument with Hillingdon Music Hub? Learning to play an instrument can help concentration, confidence and coordination as well as being great fun!

Lessons cost £74 per term (equal to £7.40 per lesson over a year), plus £22 per term to hire an instrument (hire not available for guitar, keyboard or percussion)

To start your musical journey and find out what instruments are taught at your school register your interest for standard tuition at www.hillingdon.gov.uk/startmusic.

What happens next?

1. Your details will be passed onto the Music Hub teacher at your school.
2. The teacher will consider your child's suitability and readiness to learn the instrument.
3. If your child is selected, you will then be contacted to make payment.
4. You will be given details on collecting your child's hired instrument if applicable.

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MORE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

First instrument only

- **If your child is already learning an instrument with Hillingdon Music Hub, you cannot use this letter to sign them up for additional instruments (unless one is piano/keyboard)**

Instrument hire

- Piano / Keyboard / Guitar or Drum kits are not available for hire. Pupils will need their own instrument to practise on.
<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/article/34532/Recommended-instrument-purchases>
- Other instruments are provided before tuition commences (stock permitting), and must be picked up from our instrument store at the Civic Centre in Uxbridge. Some instruments e.g. flute, clarinet and saxophones, are only available for the first one to two years of tuition. After that, we expect parents to provide the instrument. **There is an understanding that families will pay the first £35 of any damage to the instrument; loss or irreparable damage may incur the full replacement price.**
- Information on the Assisted Instrument Purchase Scheme is available on our website <https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/musicaips>. This scheme enables parents to purchase instruments through us without paying VAT (instrument cost must exceed £100)

Charges

- The price is £74 per term plus £22 for the hire of a Music Hub instrument
- For families receiving Income Support, Child Tax Credit WITHOUT Working Tax Credit (income below £16,190), Income Based Job Seekers Allowance the charge will be £16 per term plus £7 per term for the use of an instrument
- The full fee is payable for the first term and this is non refundable. Fees for the following term are adjusted according to start date.

Other information

- Hillingdon Music Hub aims to provide a teacher for 30 lessons per school year.
- If a pupil receives less than 30 lessons (pro rata according to start date) a credit will be made at the end of the teaching year.
- Lessons are usually given in small groups during the school day.
- If there are not enough places your child may go on a waiting list.

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