

Dear Parent/Carer,

Over the year, you will be aware that your child has been learning to play a musical instrument in their class. We have been very impressed with your child's progress during this programme and want to make you aware of the options for continuing and indeed extending their learning during the Summer term and beyond.

'Continuation' enables your child to continue playing his/her instrument for another year. The length of lessons will be 30 minutes with up to four pupils in a group.

To ensure that your school continues to provide pupils with excellent instrumental tuition, they have kindly subsidized the cost of part of these lessons for you. The cost for you would be 9 monthly payments of £25.00 or 12 monthly payments of £18.75. Hire of instruments can be added to these fees. This works out at around £6.50 for a half-hour instrumental lesson per week. Payment for these lessons would be made directly to Suffolk County Music Service. **The children can choose to continue with the violin or start guitar lessons as an alternative.**

Regular practise is an expectation when learning a musical instrument. We expect pupils to practise at least 3-5 times a week for 5-10 minutes at a time. A pupil record book is provided and like a homework diary or planner, this needs to be signed by parents on a weekly basis. We do expect parents to take an active role in encouraging practice.

To sign up, please complete the form below and return to your class teacher.

Yours Sincerely

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I would like to sign up to continuation lessons for my child in year 5

Name of child

Class

Preferred instrument (please tick): Violin: ☐ Guitar: ☐

Email address (for Suffolk County Music Service use)

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