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Thank you for your interest in music lessons.

The instruments taught are Trumpet, Cornet, Alto Saxophone, Flute, Bb Pbone (Trombone) & Bb Clarinet.

Lessons are taught in school either with a group of other children, or as individual lessons.

### **Examinations**

Pupils can take Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music examinations. I will advise you when your child is ready to be entered. I have entered many pupils for these examinations and have a 100% pass rate, with 50% gaining distinctions.

### **Lesson groupings & cost**

Typically 2 pupils together 15 minutes, 3 pupils together 20 minutes.

The cost is £6.50 per lesson.

If you prefer I can teach Individual lessons for 20 minutes.

The cost is £9.50 per lesson.

Could you state which instrument your child wishes to play so that I can arrange the timetable.

### **Instruments**

Instruments & accessories can be brought from any music shop. They should all offer 0% finance if needed. I often use Forsyths (Manchester), Alan Gregory (Didsbury) or Dawsons (Chester)

Please do not buy anything from eBay as second hand instruments tend to cost nearly the same as a new instrument & sometimes don't blow!



### **The books which are needed to start lessons**

Abracadabra Brass Treble Clef Edition- Trumpet/ Cornet / Pbone

Abracadabra- Flute

Clarinet Basics

Saxophone Basics

Parents will be requested to purchase additional music for examinations and accessories such as reeds, valve oil, cork grease and vaseline when they are needed.

For all reed instruments, as reeds easily break, you will need to purchase some Rico Royal 1.5 reeds.

### **Lesson times**

It is advisable that pupils arrive a few minutes early to set up their instruments in order to maximise lesson times.

### **Practice**

In order to progress, pupils need to practice at least 20 minutes every day, after warming up.

If an instrument is forgotten or broken, a theory lesson will be offered instead. Lessons which are missed due to illness or holidays are not replaced. However if a lesson is missed due to a planned school trip, the lesson will be replaced with a double lesson.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries

