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Dear Parent/Carer

Today your child has taken part in a 'Get into music' assembly and has shown an interest in learning a particular instrument. Below is further information from West Sussex Music regarding instrumental tuition at Sackville. Guitar and piano are also available but on a private basis. Please email myself for more information on these two instruments.

Instrumental and Vocal Tuition at Sackville

There is a wide range of instrumental and vocal tuition provided at Sackville and a presentation was made in school today to demonstrate the instruments available for students to play from year 7 upwards.

Playing a musical instrument has been scientifically proven to enhance other areas of learning, as it connects both sides of the brain to create new pathways. Many skills are quickly developed by this increased brain activity, including listening, concentration, hand to eye coordination, reading and multi-tasking. We also have a lot of fun in our lessons while we learn!

Children are taught mostly in school time, but on a rotated timetable, in groups of up to four in half-hour weekly sessions, which we expect to be followed up with regular playing at home. You can also opt for individual lessons.

Performance on an instrument is an integral part of GCSE music, and so the tuition plays an important role in preparing students for this qualification. Many students who already play come to secondary school at or approaching the entry level for GCSE.

As well as the tuition, the children have the opportunity to participate in group activities at school in bands, vocal groups and ensembles and also at the Music Centre at Hazelwick Academy in Crawley on a Saturday morning, where they can progress from beginner right through to a high level, and perform in concerts each term.

To apply for tuition visit www.westsussexmusic.co.uk and fill in the online form. The telephone number is 08452 082 182.

Yours sincerely

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