

# FCC Musical Instrument Fair 2024 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 5pm to 6.30pm. Main School Hall.

Dear parent/guardian,

I writing to you as Head of Music at FCC. We would like to encourage students to explore the possibility of learning an instrument even if they have never played any instruments before.

It is now widely recognised that playing instruments and engaging with music can have significant benefits in improving focus, concentration, and memory all of which are very useful for all academic subjects. It also helps develop social skills and team building as well as being great fun. The best way that young people can learn music is to pursue an instrument and access ensemble playing.

I am delighted to invite you and your child/children to FCC's Musical Instrument Fair which is held in conjunction with the Oxfordshire Music Hub.

I hope the following information will be helpful and I very much look forward to meeting you and your child/children.

# What will be there?

There will be a variety of Woodwind, String and Brass instruments for the children to try. Specialist music tutors will be on hand to answer any queries about the instruments and lessons. I will also be there so please do come and say hello and ask me any questions.

# Is there a cost?

There is no charge to attend the Fair.

# Parking

Please park in the main car park at the side of the school building. Music students will be on hand to direct you to the main School Hall where the Fair will be held.

# My child has never tried to play an instrument.

It doesn't matter. The idea of the Fair is to give children the opportunity to touch and try as many instruments as possible.

# Is there any obligation to commit to lessons?

Absolutely not. Please come and enjoy the experience.









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# Aren't musical instruments expensive?

There is no need to buy an instrument to have lessons. Musical instruments can be hired from Oxfordshire Music Hub. Details will be available at the Fair.

# How much do music lessons cost?

Prices vary depending on whether lessons are individual or in pairs or groups. In some circumstances, depending on income, lessons can be provided without charge or at a reduced fee. The tutors will be able to provide details at the Fair.

# How do I book lessons?

The tutors will be able to advise about how to book lessons and will be able to take bookings at the Fair if requested.

# Do I have to book a place to attend the Fair?

No, but it will be very helpful if you could email me to let me have an idea of numbers. The Fair will run from 5pm to 6.30pm.

# What if I cannot come?

Please do contact me if you cannot make it but would like to discuss the possibility of exploring musical instrument lessons.

I do hope you can come to the Fair and I look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely

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