

# North Yorkshire County Music Service Application for tuition



Children and Young People's Service

## Instruments

The music service has an instrumental hire scheme (dependent on availability) - this would be discussed with the instrumental teacher. However, it is often necessary to purchase an instrument.

The county music service operates an assisted purchase scheme whereby instruments can be purchased without having to pay VAT. Instruments bought under this scheme can be obtained through the music service or from local businesses.

The following prices will serve as an indication of the likely cost of some new instruments. Please phone us for current prices and for costs of other instruments.

Further information on purchase is available from our Northallerton-based staff on **01609 532783**.

Brass	Woodwind	Strings
Cornet from £130	Clarinet from £76	Violin from £60
Trumpet from £70	Flute from £76	Viola from £75
Tenor horn from £115	Alto sax from £160	Cello from £210
Trombone from £85	Oboe from £299	Classical guitar from £30
		Acoustic guitar from £75
<b>Keyboard outfits (incl. case, stand and power supply) from (71/2 octave) £100</b>		

Appropriate cases, reeds, strings, bows etc are included in these prices. You may, however, wish to note that the cases for cellos and guitars will be soft ones, which do not give the same protection as hard ones. Please do not purchase instruments until the teacher has confirmed lessons are available.



## What is available?

The county music service provides tuition in a wide variety of instruments:

**Brass:** cornet, trumpet, trombone, horn, euphonium, tuba;

**Woodwind:** clarinet, flute, oboe, saxophone, bassoon;

**Strings:** violin, viola, cello, double bass;

**Guitars:** classical, acoustic, electric;

**Percussion:** tuned percussion and kit;

**Voice:** and

**Keyboard/piano**

Lessons take place mostly during the school day and are available to pupils attending local authority schools throughout North Yorkshire.

Lessons are sometimes available beyond the end of the school day or on Saturdays at music centres.

## More about the lessons

**A minimum of 28 lessons** is offered each academic year for the fees charged, pupils may receive up to 32 with a minimum lesson length of 20 minutes.

**Small group and individual lessons:** Lessons are normally provided in small groups, but it may be possible to provide individual lessons at additional cost as appropriate. (For further information, please see the website).

**Rotating timetables** in secondary schools allow for minimal disruption to pupils' curriculum time.

**Practice diaries** enable regular contact between parent and teacher. It will also help support your child with their practice each week (parents are asked to encourage this).

**Progress reports** are issued at the end of each term in the practice diary, with a full end-of-year report.

## Music centres

Learning to play or sing in an ensemble is an essential part of a musician's development. For this reason, we operate six music centres that provide a stimulating and enjoyable setting where these skills can be developed. There is a full range of ensembles aimed at students of all levels of ability and experience. Groups regularly put on performances of a high standard in a variety of venues across the county. More advanced players are encouraged to apply for membership of either the North Yorkshire Schools' symphony orchestra, wind band, big band or choir.

For further details, please see [www.northyorks.gov.uk/musicservice](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/musicservice)

## Payment options

We are pleased to accept payment by direct debit. This spreads the annual cost over nine monthly instalments. If parents prefer, we can invoice on a termly basis, fees being payable in advance. All fees are collected through our Northallerton office. Please note that our teachers are not, under any circumstances, able to accept payment.

It should also be noted that refunds will not be given in respect of any pupil failing to attend lessons. Full terms and conditions will be sent with your registration forms.

Discounts are available in respect of qualifying benefits. Details are attached.

Notice to discontinue lessons must be given in writing or by email to the music service. Fees will be charged up to the end of the half term in which we are notified.



## What happens next?

Applications for tuition will be processed as quickly as possible. Once this application is received and, subject to the availability of a teacher and tuition being appropriate, your child will be given a registration form to bring home. Tuition would then normally start two weeks after the completed registration form is received.

## How to apply for tuition

Please return the completed form to:

**County Music Service, SB114, CYPS Business Support,  
County Hall, Northallerton, DL7 8AE**

### North Yorkshire County Music Service application for tuition

School.....	
Current School year (please circle as appropriate)	
Primary range: Reception 1 2 3 4 5 6; Secondary: 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	
Forename .....	
Surname .....	Date of birth .....
Pupil's address (inc. postcode) .....	
Tel (inc. STD code).....	
Email (please print).....	
Where you heard about us from: School / NYCC Website / Recommendation from another parent / Other .....	
I would like my son/daughter to receive vocal/instrumental tuition in the following specialism (flute, violin etc):	
First choice .....	Second choice .....
Previous musical experience:.....	
Signed.....	Date.....
(Parent/Guardian)	



## Contact us

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Tel: **01609 532783** Email: [countyhall.music@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:countyhall.music@northyorks.gov.uk)  
Or visit our website at: [www.northyorks.gov.uk/musicservice](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/musicservice)

If you would like this information in another language or format  
such as Braille, large print or audio, please ask us.  
**Tel: 01609 780 780 Email: [customer.services@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:customer.services@northyorks.gov.uk)**

## North Yorkshire County Music Service

### Fees in School Year 2015 / 2016

Per term (3 terms per year)	1 <sup>st</sup> child	With 2 <sup>nd</sup> child discount	With 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Subsequent child discount
Standard Group	£ 67.50 *	£ 62.50	£ 57.50
Group of 2 (30 mins)	£133.00	£128.00	£123.00
Individual (20 mins)	£133.00	£128.00	£123.00
Individual (30 mins)	£187.00	£182.00	£177.00

*\*Standard Group tuition paid by Direct Debit = £22.50 per month for 3 months per Terms*

#### Remissions : -

- **Working Tax Credit:** see paragraph below regarding Child Tax Credit eligibility

Per term (3 terms per year)	1 <sup>st</sup> child		With 2 <sup>nd</sup> child discount		With 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Subsequent child discount	
Standard Group	£ 47.25		£ 43.75		£ 40.25	
	<b>Up to Grade 5</b>	<b>Grade 6+</b>	<b>Up to Grade 5</b>	<b>Grade 6+</b>	<b>Up to Grade 5</b>	<b>Grade 6+</b>
Group of 2 (30 mins)	£133.00		£128.00		£123.00	
Individual (20 mins)	£133.00	£93.10	£128.00	£89.60	£123.00	£86.10
Individual (30 mins)	£187.00		£182.00		£177.00	

- **Child Tax Credit** where annual income is below £16,190\*\*, as stated on the Award letter, and **NOT** receiving Working Tax Credit
- **Income Support**
- **Job Seeker's Allowance (Income Based)**
- **Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **otherwise eligible to Free School Meals**

Per term (3 terms per year)	1 <sup>st</sup> child		With 2 <sup>nd</sup> child discount		With 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Subsequent child discount	
Standard Group	£ 0.00		£ 0.00		£ 0.00	
	<b>Up to Grade 5</b>	<b>Grade 6+</b>	<b>Up to Grade 5</b>	<b>Grade 6+</b>	<b>Up to Grade 5</b>	<b>Grade 6+</b>
Group of 2 (30 mins)	£133.00		£128.00		£123.00	
Individual (20 mins)	£133.00	£ 0.00	£128.00	£ 0.00	£123.00	£ 0.00
Individual (30 mins)	£187.00		£182.00		£177.00	