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Dear Parents/carers

KS3 Music

“Music begins where the possibilities of language end!” (John Sibelius)

From September, we will be working in conjunction with Cumbria Music Service to provide instrumental lessons for those students who are interested in learning to play an instrument, and potentially to go on to take Royal School of Music examinations should they choose.

The music service can provide teachers of a wide range of instruments, including woodwind, brass and strings as well as keyboard and guitar.

Students choosing to take up this offer would have a 30 minute lesson once a week, but it is important that they understand the commitment needed from them to practice every day in order to make the lessons useful and for them to progress.

Instruments can be leased from the music service for a charge of £30 for three months (£10 for students in receipt of free school meals). The cost of the lessons will largely be paid for by the school, although a nominal contribution from parents will be requested.

If your child is interested in the possibility of learning an instrument, please complete the form below with preferences for which instrument, and return to school by Friday 20th May – we have until the 25th May to gauge interest and book the appropriate instructors’ time from the music service, so a prompt reply would be appreciated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Judith Schafer
Headteacher

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Please return to: The school office, by Friday 20th May 2016

Student’s name: _____ Form tutor: _____

Instrument(s) preferred (not guaranteed): _____

I would like my child to be considered for music lessons in school. I understand there is a cost involved in leasing an instrument, and there will be a nominal charge for weekly lessons.

I understand that my child will need to commit to practising every day in order for the lessons to continue and to be successful.

Signed Parent/Carer: _____