

July 2025

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I am writing to inform you of the instrumental tuition programme that is available to Long Wittenham Primary School pupils. Overleaf, you will find the details of the visiting instrumental teachers that work through Oxfordshire Music Service (OMS) and iRock and pricing for lessons.

Should you wish your child to have instrumental lessons at Long Wittenham Primary School please use the following links to complete registration to sign up for lessons.

- Oxfordshire Music Service via [OMS](#)
- Private Teachers: Mark Stanley via mark.stanley@ntlworld.com
- iRock via [iRock](#)

Please note: when you sign up for lessons you are doing so with either Oxfordshire Music Service, Private Teachers or iRock and so your contract is with these organisations/people and not with the school. If at any time you wish to cease tuition, then written notice to the teacher or music service is required in accordance with the conditions stated in the contract which you will agree.

All pupils receive lessons on a rota basis and your child's teacher will contact you to introduce themselves and outline the terms and conditions. All visiting instrumental teachers have completed the appropriate enhanced disclosure checks.

If your child requires instrumental lessons but they do not have an instrument, then please indicate this on the application form and the teacher will do their best to assist you; please note, instruments are not needed to join an iRock group. Instruments are also available to hire from OMS at very reasonable rates please see on the website: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/musicinterest.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Kat Melidis
RET Primary Music Lead
Teacher of Music at Didcot Girls School
Ridgeway Education Trust

Georgina Littler
Chief Executive Officer

Oxfordshire Music Service Lessons

Instruments provided:

Guitar – Fernando Aquero

- Classical (Nylon-String) Guitar, usually played with fingers
- Acoustic (Steel-String) Guitar, played with fingers or a plectrum
- Electric Guitar, usually played with a plectrum
- Bass Guitar
- Ukulele

Brass – Robert Browne

- Cornet
- Euphonium
- French Horn
- Tenor Horn
- Trombone
- Trumpet
- Tuba

Please be aware that entitlement to Free School Meals does not guarantee entitlement for free music lessons. You may be liable for the cost of lessons if your entitlement is not confirmed.

2025–2026 School Year Music Service Fees
Music Lessons (per lesson term)

Lesson Type	Group Size / Duration	Last Year Fees	New Fees
Group	10+ pupils / 50 mins 7-9 pupils / 40 mins 5-6 pupils / 30 mins 3-4 pupils / 20 mins	£6.80	£7
Group 30	3-4 pupils / 30 mins	£9.80	£10
Paired 20	2 pupils / 20 mins	£11.50	£12
Paired 30	2 pupils / 30 mins	£17	£17
Individual 20	20 mins	£19.50	£20
Individual 30	30 mins	£29.25	£30
Individual 40	40 mins	£39	£40
Individual 60	60 mins	£58.50	£60

Instrument Hire (per term)

Instrument Type	Last Year Fees	New Fees
Violin / Viola / Guitars	£33.00	£33.00
All other instruments	£55.00	£55.00

Guidance from OMS regarding eligibility for funding.

Families may be entitled to free lessons and instrument hire if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits.

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

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Private Teachers (Peripatetic)

Piano – Mark Stanley

20 Minutes at £13.50 Individual Lesson

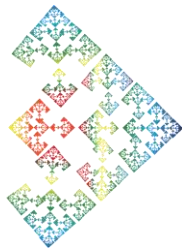
Voice – Mark Stanley

20 Minutes at £13.50 Individual Lesson

iRock – Rock Band Classes

30-minute lessons - £ 38.95 a month

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Mark Stanley (Tenor)

Teacher of Singing & Piano

A member of the Association of Teachers of Singing (AOTOS)

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Mark is a professional Singer and a highly experienced teacher of voice and piano

He studied the Tenor voice with the distinguished soprano and teacher April Cantelo and has extensive experience both as a soloist and choral conductor and can be found frequently on the concert platform throughout the UK.

Mark has over 35 years of experience as a singing and piano teacher and is a member of "The Association of Teachers Of Singing" (AOTOS). He is happy working in Musical Theatre, Pop, Classical and Jazz styles and specializes in vocal health, technique and performance. He works with pupils ranging from complete beginners through to accomplished singers working in the profession, both locally and in London. He has a particular interest in the development of the young singing voice. Lessons are tailored to each student to help them grow with confidence as a musician and a performer and be a fun and engaging experience

Terms and conditions

- Lessons are given on a weekly basis, with an average of six per term and no more than 38 in an academic year (6 terms), unless by agreement.
- Fees are **£13.50** per **20 minutes (individual)** charged per term in advance
- Charges will be made for each term and become payable on receipt of an invoice.
- A notice period of one term is required to cease tuition

In cases of absence

- If a student has an exam or assessment, a school trip or another reason for not being able to attend please let me know dates as soon as possible but a **minimum of 24 hours-notice** should be given, then a fee will not be charged. For illness please advise me of non-attendance by 07.30 am. In cases of non-attendance with no notification the lesson fee will stand.
- **I will allow up to a maximum of two credits per term (6 terms per year).**

By filling out and returning a contact / registration form overleaf, you are agreeing to the terms stated above and agree for Mark Stanley to hold these personal details in accordance with the Data Protection Act, for the sole purpose of communications regarding the provision of the above services.

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Chief Executive Officer

All personal details will be held securely both electronically and manually at all times and held until such time that a request to delete and destroy them is received.

With many thanks

Mark Stanley

MR MARK STANLEY

(Singing & Piano Lessons)

Student contact card

Student Name		
Chosen study (please tick)	Voice:	Piano
Lesson length 20 or 30 minutes		
Date of birth		
Current Academic year		
Parent's Name & Address		
Contact telephone		
Email		
Mobile		
Date:		
Parent signature		

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