

PAD/RCL/SMC
17 November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Free Music Taster Session and Instrumental Hire

As we approach the end of a challenging year, it is a good opportunity to reflect on how we can support your child's wellbeing and provide activities, which will close some of the gaps created by the recent pandemic and associated lock downs.

The Plume Academy offers a variety of instrumental lessons provided by Essex Music Service and I would like to take this opportunity to recommend this service to your child. We are currently offering free taster sessions on any instrument (subject to availability) and/or free instrumental hire for a term. It is hoped that engaging in this opportunity will ignite your child's enthusiasm for making music as well as develop their creativity, which will only lead to improved mental, creative and physical health as well as improved academic outcomes.

The benefits of learning to play an instrument are well documented and are outlined in the article below which may be of interest to you.

<https://www.classicfm.com/discover-music/reasons-to-play-a-musical-instrument/>

If you would like your child to take part on this offer, then please contact me on the following address, p.adams@plume.essex.sch.uk. If your child would like to learn to play an instrument, but does not know which one, then I am happy to arrange some taster sessions on a variety of instruments free of charge to help your child to decide. As Christmas approaches, a gift of instrumental lessons could be a fantastic present and a positive way to start 2022. We do have a variety of orchestral instruments which we are available for a student to borrow free of charge for a term.

If you require any further information, or would like to discuss the matter further, then please do not hesitate to contact me at the academy.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs P Adams
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