



9th March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Saxophone Overture Scheme – Confirmation of start date

Thank you for your patience with arranging a new start date for your son/daughter to start the saxophone group lesson 'Overture' scheme. I am pleased to confirm the following:

Lesson Details

- The group lesson will involve ten students in Yr 7 and will last for 45-minutes each week.
- The lesson will take place during 10:35 to 11:20 each week. This lesson therefore takes place during the allocated Yr 7 break 1 timetabled slot, and should only require your son/daughter to miss 10-15 minutes of the curriculum lesson following break.
- The lessons will take place in the Music department, in LG2. Your son/daughter should arrive at the music department a few minutes before their group lesson, and they should wait in the foyer of the department.
- As this group lesson will take place over break 1, your son/daughter is encouraged to bring a snack/drink with them to school to consume at the beginning/end of the group lesson so that they do not miss out on this refreshment opportunity. Students will also be encouraged to go to the toilet at the end of the group lesson, before returning to their curriculum lessons.
- The lesson will be led by Mrs Allen - our woodwind visiting music teacher, and the Area Manager of Cambridgeshire Music. Mrs Allen is an extremely experienced woodwind teacher, who has experience of delivering individual and group lessons in a various educational setting.

Timetable

Below is a copy of the group lesson timetable for the first block of 10 lessons:

| | Date | Time |
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| Lesson 1 | Friday 23 rd April 2021 | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 2 | Friday 30 th April | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 3 | Friday 7 th May | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 4 | Friday 14 th May | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 5 | Friday 21 st May | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 6 | Friday 28 th May | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 7 | Friday 11 th June | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 8 | Friday 18 th June | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 9 | Friday 25 th June | 10:35-11:20 |
| Lesson 10 | Friday 2 nd July | 10:35-11:20 |

Instrument Details

- All students will receive an instrument (and suitable carrying case) that will be loaned free-of-charge by Cambridgeshire Music for the academic year. At the end of this academic year, students will have the option of continuing lessons either individually or in a smaller group setting. If your son/daughter chooses to stop lessons, the instrument must be returned to Mr Newsome at the earliest convenience.

- The Music Department will provide your son/daughter with a moisture-guard to place over the end of their saxophone to provide additional protection from the spread of aerosols when using their instrument.
- If your son/daughter experiences any issues with their instrument, it is imperative that you return the instrument to Mr Newsome. Please do not try to repair the instrument, as you will be liable for the cost of any damage or repair.

Preparation for first lesson

I will write to you next week to provide further information that has been passed to me by Mrs Allen for your son/daughter in preparation for their first saxophone group lesson.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Newsome', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr J Newsome
Subject Leader for Music