



**LOMOND  
SCHOOL**  
SCOTLAND

## Specialist Music Tuition Scheme TI-S6

Lomond School's Specialist Music Tuition Scheme is provided by visiting specialist music tutors under the auspices of the Music Department. Tuition is available in French horn, cornet, trumpet, trombone, tuba, violin, cello, flute, clarinet, saxophone, piano, electric and acoustic guitar, drum-kit, voice, bagpipes, accordion and clarsach.

### **How do lessons operate?**

Instrumental and vocal lessons are 30 minutes long and run throughout the school day (or occasional after-school slots). They take place in the Senior School Music Department practice rooms. Lesson times are rotated each week so that pupils do not miss the same school subject each week. Practice rooms are covered by CCTV for the protection of both pupils and staff.

### **What is the cost?**

Visiting Music Tutors are not employed by the school and are therefore effectively private teachers within the school. The fee for an individual 30 minute lesson is £19 which is in line with the national average rate for music tuition in independent schools. Tutors at Lomond are suitably experienced and their pupils have achieved considerable success in national music examinations such as those set by ABRSM, not to mention the National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher practical examinations.

### **Instruments**

Whilst most pupils have their own instruments, beginners are encouraged to make use of the excellent hire schemes operated by Band Supplies in central Glasgow and Haydock Music in Milngavie. Please contact the Music Department for further details. The Music Department also offers a limited number of instruments for hire for a charge of £30 per term, however availability cannot be guaranteed. Our current instrumental stock includes: trumpets, trombones, French horns, mini horn, alto saxophones, alpha saxophone, clarinets, clarineo, bagpipes, flutes, mini flutes, violins, viola, cellos.

### **Is every applicant accepted?**

In most cases the answer is yes, but some instruments are very popular. Guitar, piano and voice lessons commonly have waiting lists. By request, Tutors can provide a trial lesson to a prospective pupil and then feedback on their readiness and suitability to a particular instrument.

### **Note**

The highest priority will always be given to students who are studying music at National 5, Higher or Advanced Higher over any other student, whether or not they are on a waiting list. Priority is granted as certificate pupils must receive tuition to complete their courses.

### **What happens after tuition has commenced?**

When pupils reach a satisfactory standard of performance they may be presented for either ABRSM, Trinity or Rock School Music examinations and will also be invited to join the various ensembles that exist within the school. A serious commitment to practise will be expected of all pupils receiving tuition at school. Every pupil receives a Practice Diary which should be regularly checked by a parent, ensuring that practice set by the tutor has been completed. A full report will be issued in December and June each year. Those invited into the various extra-curricular groups are expected to make a full commitment to their relevant group(s) to ensure the pupil's individual progress whilst maintaining the high standards expected of our various ensembles run by the Music Department at Lomond.

Please note that eight weeks' notice in writing (which can include holidays) is required if a pupil wishes to withdraw from lessons.

If you would like your child to have specialist music tuition in any of the above disciplines, please complete the attached application form and return it to me via the school office as soon as possible. On receipt of your application form, I will pass your details to the relevant tutor who will make direct contact with you regarding availability and suitability.

Thank you very much for taking the time to consider this valuable opportunity for your child.

Yours sincerely



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