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9th February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Orchestral Music Lessons

At Avonbourne, we are committed to giving every student the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. We recognise that the cost of instrumental tuition can be a barrier for some families, and we want to ensure that all students can access high-quality musical experiences.

We are therefore delighted to offer beginner group instrumental lessons, funded by the SoundStorm Music Education Hub. This support enables us to provide subsidised lessons for students who are new to learning an orchestral instrument, helping more young people begin their musical journey.

As part of this programme, all participating students will also be required to join the Beginners' Orchestra, which will take place on Mondays after school in AG35. This ensures that students experience playing both as solo learners and as part of an ensemble, building confidence, musicality, and teamwork.

To facilitate as many lessons as possible, these lessons will be in small groups of 2 or 3 students. They will take place during school hours with our specialist peripatetic music teachers, and are available on the following instruments: violin, flute, clarinet, alto saxophone, trumpet, trombone, and double bass.

To make this opportunity as affordable as possible, for the remainder of this academic year, we will be asking for a payment of £50. This will cover 15 lessons and the instrument hire. The remainder of the cost will be funded through SoundStorm. We fully encourage anyone who feels they would like their child to take part in this opportunity, but may require financial assistance, to contact kira.iupe@avonbourneacademy.org.uk as soon as possible.

If your child is interested in taking part, please complete the linked Microsoft Form by **Wednesday 11th February** to register their interest. [Instrumental Lessons - Expression of interest – Fill in form](#)

Places will be confirmed via a further letter as well as a hire agreement by **Friday 13th February**.

Payment will be required by **Monday 23rd February** through ParentPay.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Jones
Head of Music

Mrs O Littler
Teacher of Music

Head of School: Imogen Bull

Executive Principal: Michelle Dyer

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