

5TH September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

MUSIC GCSE INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

As part of their KS4 Music course your child will be having instrumental lessons on their chosen instrument. The instrumental lessons are usually at the same time each week. A timetable is enclosed with this letter. Please remind your child of their lesson time each week. If your child is unable to attend their lesson at their appointed time they must come and see me in advance of the particular day and I will do my best to rearrange their lesson time. If the instrumental teacher has to change their day/time I will contact you in advance and let your child know.

Timetables and notices are also on the Haileybury Turnford Music Department Blog at https://HTAMusic.weebly.com

Regular attendance at these lessons is essential to ensure good progress. If your child forgets to come to a lesson, or is absent without good reason, they may incur a 15-minute payback with myself in the music department at 3.00pm and may be issued with a yellow card for failure to attend. You will be notified if your child has a payback.

Your child will be expected to practice their instrument regularly, about four or five times a week for at least twenty minutes each time. If they do not have an instrument at home they will be expected to come into the music department at break or lunch times, or before school, to practice on a school instrument. Practice of their instrument will be their main homework for music.

It is also expected that your child will contribute to the musical life of the school, performing in concerts and at other school events. The more performances your child takes part in, the more confident a performer they will come, and this will ensure that they will obtain the best outcome at the end of KS4.

We appreciate your encouragement and support for your child in their musical studies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at nicholsons@haileyburyturnford.com

Yours faithfully

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