



FEARNHILL SCHOOL

Headteacher – Mr T Spencer, BSc

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Dear Parent/Carer

Music Lessons

I would like to draw your attention to the availability of instrumental music lessons at Fearnhill. If a student already has peripatetic lessons at primary school, they can continue these or if they would like to begin to learn an instrument, now is a great time to start. These take place during normal teaching hours, therefore students will miss portions of regular curriculum lessons or break time in order to attend instrumental lessons. Lesson times will be varied and timetabled on a rotational basis to ensure your child does not miss the same lessons each week.

Currently, the following instruments can be taught at Fearnhill:

Piano	Electric keyboard	Violin	French horn
Clarinet	Trumpet	Tenor horn	Flute
Trombone	Saxophone/Voice	Bass guitar	Drum kit
Electric Guitar	Classical guitar (acoustic)		

There is a small selection of school instruments available for loan to students, if you would like more details, please contact the Music department.

There is a termly charge for 11 lessons and music fee invoices are sent out at the start of each term.

Current charges are as follows:

15 minute individual lesson	£12.99 per lesson
20 minute individual lesson	£17.32 per lesson
30 minute individual lesson	£25.98 per lesson
30 minute small group (3-6)	£8.66 per lesson

How to apply

If you would like to sign your child up for lessons, you will need to do so by following the link [here](#) and searching for Fearnhill under 'Lessons in schools'. Billing is done directly through Hertfordshire Music Service on a termly basis. Please see the guide sheet attached on how to apply for lessons.

If you are in receipt of income support or family tax credits then you may be eligible for help with music fees. The HMS Bursary award provides bursaries to students who may not otherwise afford access to music provision. Please see the following site for more information on how to apply [here](#).

Important information

If at any point your child wishes to discontinue lessons, then notice must be given in writing, half a term in advance, otherwise a half term's fees will still be payable in lieu of notice.

If your child cannot participate in their instrumental teaching period and is absent for any reason, lessons will still have to be paid for as the County Music Service work on a half term's notice only. The school, with much regret, cannot cover the cost of these circumstances.

If you would like your child to have instrumental/singing lessons, please follow the guide overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Landsman
Head of Music

Guide to Register for Music Lessons

Step 1 - Follow the link <https://ukhertfordshire.speedadmin.dk/registration/#/>

Step 2 - In the blue box that says Step 1a **select school**, please look for Fearnhill School

The screenshot shows the Hertfordshire Music Service registration portal. The main navigation bar includes the Hertfordshire Music Service logo and a shopping cart icon. The page is titled 'Fearnhill School, Letchworth Garden City (010)'. The 'Welcome to Hertfordshire Music Service' section provides an overview of the service and lists the steps: Step 1a - Select the school, Step 1b - Select any music centre, Step 2 - Sign-up for course, and Step 3 - Complete the application form. The 'Step 1a - select school' section is highlighted in blue and contains a dropdown menu with 'Fearnhill School, Letchworth Garden City (010)' selected. The 'Step 1b - select music centre' section is also highlighted in blue and contains a dropdown menu with 'Please select' and a search bar. The 'Step 2 - Sign-up for courses' section is highlighted in purple and contains a dropdown menu with 'Lessons' selected. The right sidebar contains several sections: 'New fees from September 2024', 'Help with Music Fees', 'Access to Instruments', 'County Youth Music Groups', and 'Centre Ensemble Membership'.

Step 3

Click the link that says Lessons in the purple box and it will take you to a new page.

Step 4

Click on the instrument your child wants to learn. On the next page, select the length of lesson and whether it is an individual or group lesson that is required. Please add in a comment to detail whether they are a beginner or have previous experience. If there is not currently a group lesson available, we will let you know and you will be added to a waiting list.

Please note:

Students cannot start music lessons until this form has been completed by parents. A weekly timetable of lessons is displayed in Music and registers will be annotated for form tutor and teachers to remind students to go to it. Times may rotate on a weekly basis so that students do not miss the same subject lessons each week. They can request lessons before school/break/lunch but this is not always possible.

Any questions, please email Mrs Landsman: hannah.landsman10@fearnhill.herts.sch.uk

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