

Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

Appropriate Charging and Remissions Policies are held by the lead strategic consortium partners of the five West Yorkshire upper tier LA areas and are available to view in Appendices 4-8

Each policy document sets out the local provision for:

- The charges associated with different types of Hub activity and associated hire of equipment (where applicable)
- The remissions available and to whom
- Music education provision and support is available free of charge for looked after children and the local mechanism for access
- Information of any bursaries available
- Support children and young people that require additional support to access musical education and equipment loan

All policies are reviewed annually.

Following the inception of the WYMH, the local Charging and Remissions Policies for the consortium partners will be reviewed collectively:

- On an annual basis in the last Consortium Partnership meeting of the academic year and submitted for review and approval of the West Yorkshire Hub Advisory Board
- And assessed against the need analysis of the West Yorkshire Hub as detailed in section 2
- Respond and account for and remain within the financial limitations within the Hub and Hub Consortium Partnership



Appendix 4 – ArtForms Leeds Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

Charging, remissions and subsidy policy information for young people, parents, and schools in Leeds

Introduction

A key objective of the Music Education Hub grant provided to ArtForms by the DfE is to help assist in the removal of barriers to learning and making progress for young musicians. As such, this policy has been created to help parents and carers support their children's engagement and progress in music across a range of activities provided by ArtForms.

FEES AND CHARGING

Ensembles, bands, choirs, orchestras

Each ArtForms Music Centre runs at least one ensemble, band, choir and/or orchestra that is currently free of charge to all children and young people that wish to join a music centre group; this is irrespective of who teaches them and which school or academy they attend. In addition, City of Leeds Music Groups for young musicians at a beginner level are also free of charge to all children and young people.

Further information about our free ensembles, bands, choirs and orchestras can be found here <u>Free-Ensembles-2024-25.pdf</u>

Charges for all other classes and ensembles, bands, choirs and orchestras can be found here

Music Centres <u>Microsoft Word - Music Centres - What Does It Cost.docx</u>
City of Leeds Youth Music Groups <u>City of Leeds Youth Music - Artforms Leeds</u>

Instrumental and Vocal Lessons

Lessons that take place in the majority of schools are undertaken via a service level agreement and charges are made with each school based upon their requests for tuition and other activities. Parents and Carers of children in receipt of such lessons should contact their school if they feel they are eligible for a remission of fees and the school should apply to ArtForms for support on their behalf.

ArtForms also provides lessons as part of its weekly music centre activities during term time. Information about fees for tuition can be found here <u>Microsoft Word - Music</u> Centres - What Does It Cost.docx



REMISSIONS

ArtForms aims to support children and young people to realise their musical potential, and to enable equal access for all. We do this by offering a range of financial support:

 Bursaries for music tuition for pupils in schools receiving free school meals via pupil premium

Subject to funding available, this entitles all children and young people who are eligible for free school meals on grounds of income to have small group instrumental or vocal lessons in school at a heavily subsidised rate.

 Fees Assistance for City of Leeds Youth Music Groups and ArtForms Music Centres

ArtForms can offer fee assistance for eligible pupils attending City of Leeds Youth Music Groups and Music Centres. Families in receipt of the following benefits are entitled to financial support subject to availability of funding:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £19,995)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit household income must be less than £10,000 a year (after tax and not including any benefits)
- Looked-after children- free class for LAC and their families at Music Centres and CLYM groups.
- Gifted and Talented Scholarships

One-off scholarships of up to £500 are available to help Leeds' most talented, advanced, young musicians realise their full potential, for example support for a student going on to study music at University or Conservatoire who needs an upgraded instrument or assistance with fees for students accepted into national youth ensembles.



Further details about the ArtForms offer, including school discounts can be found here <u>Subsidies and Support for Schools – Artforms Leeds</u>

Contact wymh.artforms@leeds.gov.uk for further information about our Remission Policy.

Policy reviewed annually.



Appendix 5 – Bradford Music & Arts Service Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

Charging and Remissions Policy Academic Year 2024 - 2025

Fees & Charges

Instrumental tuition fees paid directly to Bradford Music & Arts Service

Provision	Termly Charge
20 min Small Group	£67
Instrumental Lesson	
20 min Individual Lesson	£181
Music Centre	£45
Membership*	
Theory Class	£45

*Membership to Music Centre Ensembles allows access to a minimum of one ensemble. Additional ensemble may be accessed at no additional cost. Where membership to Bradford Youth Training Orchestra is the only ensemble attended, a reduced fee of £23 per term is charged and rehearsals are once per month.

Charges for all school bought Music and Visual Art provision is shared directly with schools in spring term in preparation for bookings for the following academic year. For charges for bookings commencing for school provision commencing after the start of the academic year, please contact schoolsmusicandarts@bradford.gov.uk.

Remissions

- Instrumental and Vocal Lesson Remissions:
 - Schools are requested to utilise the Pupil Premium to support lessons.
 Please see individual school Pupil Premium Policy
- Ensemble Remissions:
 - Remission places (free membership) at ensembles may be taken up at any point in the academic year if a pupil is on free school meals and has reached the appropriate standard for the ensemble – to be reviewed annually.
- Special Education Need Remissions Bursary Places:
 - All cases to be looked at on an individual basis
 - Where appropriate an individual lesson will be offered for the price of a group lesson.



- To apply, submit a letter of support from the pupil's Headteacher to schoolsmusicandarts@bradford.gov.uk
- SEND remissions can be taken up at any point in the academic year where instrumental/vocal teachers are available.
- Virtual School/Looked After Children Remission
 - Pupils who are a Bradford Looked After Child may apply for a fully subsidised group lesson which includes an instrument via the Virtual School Booking Form – contact either your child's social worker or contact schoolsmusicandarts@bradford.gov.uk
 - Includes free accessing to Music Centre Ensembles
 - Supported by CBMDC Virtual School
- CONNECT we are partnered with Young Sounds UK to deliver free instrumental lessons, music centre fees, instrument loan, exam fees and an equipment bursary for a minimum of 100 children across the Bradford District.
 - This is a national project that aims to further the musical journey of pupils from a low-income background, enabling them to continue to thrive in music after whole class ensemble music has finished.
 - Application is through Laura Robinson <u>laura.robisnon@bradford.gov.uk</u> and Helen Borg helen.borg@bradford.gov.uk and is means tested.
 - Further information can be found <u>Young Sounds Connect Young</u> Sounds
- Delius School Music School for Gifted and Talented Pupils
 - Annual application process, application open in summer term.
 - Key Stage 2 pupils
 - o Non means tested
 - Access to free monthly workshops, annual trips, composition and performance skills development and wider performance opportunities.
 - Where tuition is made through the service, an individual lesson will be offered at the cost of a small group lesson



Appendix 6 – Calderdale Music Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

Calderdale Music Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

Instrumental Music Lessons

General

All students/parents will have access to SpeedAdmin to receive lesson feedback, teaching material and notifications of absence. Login details will be issued upon receipt of application.

If a lesson takes place at school during the school day, Calderdale Music Admin Team will correspond with school staff to check that the lesson does not clash with interventions, swimming etc. Lessons may take place at any time during the school day including over breaks and lunch times.

Pairs and Groups

Group lessons are 30 minutes long and can only be set up in a school where there are 3 or more enrolments on any particular instrument. Pupils will be informed when a child has a place. Where there are only two pupils enrolled, invoices will be created for a 20-minute paired lesson and the lesson time will change accordingly. If a group size reduces to two pupils, payers will be invoiced for 20-minute paired lessons for the start of the next term.

In the event that a pupil taking part in weekly paired/group lessons is the only remaining member of that group, Calderdale Music Admin Team will contact parents to discuss options.

Missed Lessons

If a school is closed for a training/INSET day and this date has been shared on the school website by September 2024, a credit note will be applied for the session.

Where Calderdale Music are unable to provide a lesson due to Music Leader absence, we will endeavour to reschedule the lesson. If we are unable to reschedule, we will issue a credit at the end of the term.

Where Calderdale Music are unable to provide a lesson due to Music Leader illness we will issue a credit at the end of the term.



Where Calderdale Music are unable to provide a lesson due to an unplanned school closure e.g. strike action, snow our Music Leader will arrange a lesson online at the usual lesson time. Alternatively, a supplementary video can be uploaded to Speed Admin which can be watched at a time convenient to the student.

Student Absence

Refunds cannot be given for non-attendance of pupils. It is not the responsibility of Music Leaders to ensure pupils attend lessons. However, every effort will be made to encourage good attendance.

If the pupil is absent without notice (a "no show") no refunds or learning materials will be provided.

If the pupil is absent with notice, we will endeavour to provide a supplementary video and upload this to the pupil's Speed Admin account within 24 hours after the lesson. This is a short video with a personalised plan and task for the pupil to complete during the week.

To give notice, call the Calderdale Music office on 01422 401260 or email absences@calderdalemusic.co.uk. If a pupil having lessons paid for by a parent/carer verbally informs their Music Leader of a future absence, this will be followed up with an email from the Music Leader or our admin team to the parent/payer who will need to confirm this in writing.

Rearranging lessons is subject to the Music Leader's availability.

Instrument Hire

Instrument hire incurs an additional charge. Parents/pupils agree to the instrument hire terms and conditions stated during the registration process. A copy is available on our website. A deposit will be required before instruments can be loaned to pupils. This deposit will be refunded upon return of the instrument in a good working condition. Please see separate section "Instrument Hire"

Fees

Calderdale Music charge a rate per lesson invoiced termly in advance or by monthly direct debit for the dates specified.



All invoices must be paid for by the date shown on the invoice and are subject to the terms and conditions of our debt policy.

A copy of the debt policy can be found on our website www.calderdalemusic.co.uk.

No refunds can be given for pupil absences including school trips and activities.

Refunds cannot be given for non-attendance of pupils.

If paying by direct debit, details will be sent to you before payments begin. A charge of 2.5% will be made to all payments by direct debit.

If a pupil withdraws from lessons during the term the full term must be paid for. No refunds will be given.

Lessons will only commence upon receipt of payment in full or by completing a monthly direct debit agreement. In some circumstances Calderdale Music may allow lessons to commence without payment, subject to an agreed payment plan.

If a direct debit payment is returned unpaid, the customer will make payment of the amount by bank transfer within 7 days of the payment being returned.

This agreement is binding and will continue until it is cancelled, in writing or through the Speed Admin account, at least 1 week before the end of a school term.

Calderdale Music will inform parents/carers of any changes in fees, terms and conditions, or any other relevant alterations to delivery. NOTE: changes to day and time of lessons or Music Leader may be affected at any time and are NOT considered as changes to terms and conditions and are not relevant alterations to delivery.

Individual Lessons

20 Minute - £15.40 per lesson

30 Minute - £21.45 per lesson

Paired Lessons

20 Minute Paired – £7.70 per lesson

30 Minute Paired – £11.55 per lesson

Group Lessons (schools only)

30 minutes for 3 to 6 pupils – £6.60 per lesson



Lessons at The Old Courthouse

Please note – all Calderdale Music staff have an enhanced DBS on the update service, however there may be adults in the building, such as adult learners and people hiring our space, who do not have DBS checks

Ensembles And Groups

Missed Lessons

Where Calderdale Music are unable to provide an ensemble/group session due to Music Leader absence or illness we will issue a credit at the end of the term.

Student Absence

Refunds cannot be given for non-attendance of pupils.

Fees

Calderdale Music charge a rate per session invoiced termly in advance or by monthly direct debit for the dates specified.

All invoices must be paid for by the date shown on the invoice and are subject to the terms and conditions in our debt policy.

A copy of the debt policy can be found on our website www.calderdalemusic.co.uk.

No refunds can be given for pupil absences.

If paying by direct debit, details will be sent to you before payments begin.

A charge of 2.5% will be made to all payments by direct debit.

If a pupil withdraws from the ensemble sessions during the term the full term must be paid for. No refunds will be given.

Lessons will only commence upon receipt of payment in full or by completing a monthly direct debit agreement. In some circumstances Calderdale Music may allow lessons to commence without payment, subject to an agreed payment plan.



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Instrument Hire

Instrument Hire Terms and Conditions

For the academic year 2024-2025

Instrument Hire

Instrument hire incurs an additional charge.

Parents/pupils agree to the instrument hire terms and conditions stated during the registration process. A copy is available on our website.

A deposit will be required before instruments can be loaned to pupils. This deposit will be refunded upon return of the instrument in a good working condition.

Calderdale Music has a large stock of instruments and is pleased to make these available to students to assist with their musical studies.

Instruments are subject to availability. An instrument will only be issued upon receipt of a signed hire agreement and payment of a refundable deposit.

Instrument hire is grouped into 4 categories:



Instrument Hire A = £7 per half term

(Refundable Deposit – £14)

Classical Guitar

Acoustic Guitar

Recorder

Snare drum

Viola

Violin

Instrument Hire B = £10 per half term

(Refundable Deposit – £20)

Clarinet (in Bb or A)

Cornet

Trumpet

Flute

Keyboard (we do not loan keyboard stands)

Piccolo

Tenor Horn

Trombone

Trumpet

Instrument Hire C = £12.50 per half term

(Refundable Deposit – £25)

Cello

French Horn

Instrument Hire D = £15 per half term

(Refundable Deposit – £30)

Baritone

Bassoon

Double Bass

Euphonium

Oboe

Saxophones – alto and tenor

Tuba

General Terms and Conditions

The agreement is between parent/pupils and Calderdale Music.



It is the responsibility of the parent/pupil to collect the instrument from the Calderdale Music office, sign an agreement and pay a refundable deposit before the instrument is allocated.

The instrument provided will be in good working condition.

Parent/pupils are advised to arrange adequate insurance for instruments on loan. This may already be covered by household contents insurance but the position regarding this should be clarified with insurers.

The instrument must not be used by any person other than the student to whom it is loaned.

The instrument (including mouthpieces, bows and other accessories) remains the property of the Calderdale Music and may be recalled for inspection at any time.

Some instruments require accessories (rosin for string instrument bows, reeds for wind instruments, valve oil etc.). Instruments will not normally come with a supply of such accessories – please consult with instrumental teachers for details of what may be needed (e.g. valve oil can be hazardous if ingested). Flutes, clarinets, oboes and bassoons will be provided with one reed. Replacement reeds are the responsibility of the parent/pupil.

Instruments can only be hired by students having lessons with Calderdale Music or attending one of our ensembles.

Guitars, violins and cellos are available in smaller sizes and can be swapped as pupils grow.

Damage/Loss

If an instrument is loaned from Calderdale Music stock, parent/pupils accept responsibility for any loss or damage caused by accident, theft, attempted theft, maltreatment or otherwise.

If the instrument is not returned, you will be charged for the full cost of a replacement.

Parent/pupils will be charged for a comparable replacement if an instrument is lost or irreparably damaged. The full costs of any damage (other than from regular use) will also be charged to the parent/carer. Any damage must be reported to Calderdale Music and will be carried out by a specialist instrument technician.



Instrument Repair

Minor damage incurred through regular use will be repaired by a specialist instrument technician and will not be charged for. Parent/pupils must not attempt to repair instruments. If problems are identified with instrument, contact the Music Leader or call the Calderdale Music office for advice on 01422 401260.

If the instrument requires repairing or the pupil requires a larger instrument (strings/guitars) it is the responsibility of the parent/pupils to return the instrument to the Calderdale Music office and collect a new instrument when it is ready.

Returning The Instrument

If a student stops lessons or leaves full time education, the instrument must be returned to the Calderdale Music office.

Do not leave an instrument with a Music Leader or a school's office.

Parent/pupils will continue to be liable for the instrument until Calderdale Music issues an email receipt to indicate the instrument has been returned to stock.

The instruments condition will be assessed after its return and any repairs required beyond wear and tear will be charged for.

If the instrument is returned in good working condition the deposit will be refunded to the payer.

<u>Charging and Remissions Policy:</u> Supporting disadvantaged young people in Calderdale

Introduction

At Calderdale Music, we are committed to giving every young person access to a highquality music education and to supporting eligible young people to develop their musical talent where possible. To support this aim we offer Ensemble Tuition Funding Awards to children who have a specific and demonstrable financial need that presents a barrier to participation.

All applications for financial help for students (including those in receipt of Pupil Premium or Pupil Premium Plus funding) will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.



Eligible families must apply for help before joining an ensemble, as funding cannot be backdated or applied retrospectively.

Eligibility

Applications for Ensemble Tuition Funding Awards will be considered from children included in the following categories:

- 1. Pupils in year groups reception to year 11 recorded as Ever 6 Free School Meals (FSM) as well as eligible children with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) pupils in these year groups.
- 2. Looked-after children (LAC) defined in the Children Act 1989 as one who is in the care of, or provided with accommodation by, an English LA.
- 3. Children who have ceased to be looked after by a LA in England and Wales because of adoption, a special guardianship order, or child arrangements order (previously known as a residence order)
- 4. Pupils in year groups reception to year 11 recorded as Ever 6 service child or
- 5. Parents of pupils in receipt of a child pension from the Ministry of Defence
- 6. Discretionary

If you do not meet the criteria set out in points 1-5 you are still able to apply for remission of fees under point 6, with proof of entitlement such as:

- Income Support
- Income based Job Seeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not eligible for Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by HM Revenues & Customs, that does not exceed £16,190)
- If you are supported under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more that £7,400 (£616.67 per month), as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)

Discretionary Awards are offered for a limited time period of 1 term, at which point the application will be reviewed to consider whether further funding can be offered (awards are not automatically renewed).

If applications exceed the available funding, Calderdale Music will operate a waiting list for financial support, and we will contact the families when we can allocate financial support.



In- School Instrumental Tuition

Pupils eligible as stated in points 1-5 above may be able to access funds to cover the cost of instrumental in-school tuition. For children receiving instrumental tuition in school, it is responsibility of individual schools to ensure a remissions policy is in place to provide access to subsidised in-school instrumental tuition.

Instrument hire and charging

Instruments can be hired free of charge from Calderdale Music to any child eligible to a remission at stated in points 1-5 above, when receiving tuition with Calderdale Music.

Children Looked After

100% reduction in instrumental lessons and ensemble fees for referrals through the Virtual School for looked after children

Sibling discount

Families who do not fall into the above categories can still benefit from a 10% discount for siblings attending the same activity (e.g. both siblings attending are in the same ensemble) at our music centres.

Please note only one subsidised discount can be applied per applicant, up to a maximum of 10% remissions of ensemble fees (per pupil).

How to apply

Families wishing to apply for remissions are asked to complete our <u>remissions</u> application form.

When you have completed and submitted the form, one of our team will be in touch to confirm your submission and request the necessary evidence.

Please note that all applications for remission will be treated in the strictest confidence.



Appendix 7 – Musica Kirklees Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

1) The Policy

We believe that anyone who wishes to learn an instrument should have access to a high-quality music education. Our charging policy is detailed in this Policy, and we also aim to further support this aspiration through our Remissions Policy.

2) Fees & Charges – parent/carer/adult paid tuition

Instrumental/vocal tuition termly fees payable to Musica Kirklees. Prices are relevant to the academic year 2024/2025 and subject to annual increase – full list of prices and options available to view here https://www.musicakirklees.org/music-tuition.

A child is defined as an individual in full time education (up to year 13). An adult is defined as an individual over the age of 18 and is above year 13. For students leaving year 13, payers will be contacted in August with information regarding the increased pricing structure.

For lessons, full Terms and Conditions can be viewed here https://www.musicakirklees.org/terms-and-conditions

For Music Centre/Central Ensembles, full Terms and Conditions can be viewed here https://www.musicakirklees.org/music-centres/terms-and-conditions-registration-for-music-centre-group-s-and-or-central-ensemble-s

3) Fees and charges – schools

Charges for school purchased activities are shared directly with schools in the Spring Term in preparation for the following academic year. For new enquiries, schools should contact Musica Kirklees by completing the link below https://www.musicakirklees.org/contact or by emailing their request to hello@musicakirklees.org/contact or by

Where a school wishes to purchase tuition for a specific student, information can be accessed here https://www.musicakirklees.org/schools/activities/school-paid-tuition.

4) Kirklees Priority Passport

Kirklees Council operates a Priority Passport scheme for families on low incomes. Musica Kirklees supports this scheme for all families eligible for a Priority Passport by offering discounts on the cost of lessons and providing free membership of our music centre groups. Full details can be found here https://www.musicakirklees.org/kirklees-priority-passports



5) Free First Term at Music Centre

Regardless of family income, the first term of attendance at any of our five music centres is provided free to all pupils in school year 13 or under who have never attended any MK Music Centre groups or Central Ensembles. The free first membership applies to membership of Music Centre groups only (Central Ensembles and Theory Group not included). Eligible members who register at any point during an academic term will not be charged membership fees for that particular term. Membership fees will be changed from the next academic term onwards.

6) Minority Instrument discount ('endangered species')

To support the learning of instruments which are less common, more expensive or often more difficult to transport, we offer discounted lesson costs. This includes the following instruments:

- Bassoon
- Cello
- Double Bass
- Viola
- French horn
- Tuba

7) Instrumental Loan Scheme

Subject to stock availability, we provide fully subsidised instrument hire for all pupils. Following a one-off registration fee, instruments can be loaned free of charge provided they are suitably insured and then serviced prior to or on return.

8) Gift of Music

Our Gift of Music scheme was established following kind donations from businesses and musical groups in the Kirklees area. It allows a small number of pupils who are eligible for Free School Meals to access lessons free of charge for a period of three years (after which the subsidy is reviewed).

9) Pupil Premium

Musica Kirklees works with schools to recommend the suitable and appropriate use of Pupil Premium funds to support the needs of young people who wish to access instrumental / vocal tuition.

10) Children Looked After

Through Kirklees Virtual School, schools can access funding for Children Looked After in order to ensure that every Child Looked After is offered the opportunity to access instrumental / vocal tuition and membership of music centre groups free of charge. For a Child Looked After registered through an authority outside of Kirklees but attending a Kirklees school, arrangements may be different – schools need to liaise directly with the Virtual School relevant to where the student is registered.



11) Young Sounds Connect Project

From January 2025 we will be partnering with Young Sounds UK to deliver free instrumental lessons, music centre fees, instrument hire, exam fees and an equipment bursary for 21 children across Kirklees. This project is funded for 4 years by the Department of Education. This is a national project that aims to further the musical journey of pupils from a low-income background, enabling them to continue to thrive in music after whole class ensemble music has finished.



Appendix 8 – Wakefield Music Services Charging and Remissions Policy 2024-25

FEES, CHARGES & REMISSIONS Tuition Fees paid direct to Wakefield Music Services

Fees & Charges 2024 - 2025

Small Group 20-minute lesson
 Individual 20-minute lesson
 Individual 30-minute lesson
 £228 per term

Lesson costs also currently include;

- Access to thousands of exciting online music resources at wakefieldmusicservicesonline.co.uk.
- Free loan of an instrument wherever possible for an initial period
- Practice Diary and Annual Pupil Report
- Membership of Music Centres and Ensembles

Membership to Music Centres and other WMS groups costs just £55 per term. This allows you to attend as many activities as you wish and/or suitable for.

REMISSIONS POLICY

Instrumental and Vocal Lesson

Students directly charged by the music service for lessons are entitled to one fully subsidised small group lesson if eligible for free school meals, or in receipt of income Support or Income based Job Seeker's Allowance. Tuition delivered in schools will follow the individual school's remissions policy which in most cases give full remission for those pupils identified as Pupil Premium. Please check with your child's school for further details.

Ensembles & Music Centres

Wakefield Music Services gives full remission for attendance to ensembles and music centres for those students eligible for free school meals, or in receipt of income Support or Income based Job Seeker's Allowance.

Special Education Needs

For lessons in schools, and if appropriate, an individual lesson will be offered for the price of a group lesson. Remissions and funding may also be available with support from the music services from a variety of council services and charities. All cases are assessed on an individual basis. Instrumental, ensemble and creative projects also run at no charge to the student in SEND settings throughout the year.



Looked After Children

Funded lessons are available through schools in collaboration with the Virtual School. Remissions are also available for ensembles and music centres.

Other Remissions

Funding and remissions may be available in other situations such as personal hardship, endangered instrument initiatives, gifted and talented and with targeted projects and lessons with Children in Challenging Circumstances.

Instrument Hire

Wakefield Music Services gives free loan of an instrument for students receiving lessons with its teachers. Schools can also receive free loan of class sets if taking up a whole class instrumental tuition First Access programme.

For any enquires or to apply, please contact music@wakefield.gov.uk or your child's school or setting if appropriate.