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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Music at Meadowfield School

As part of our extra-curricular music offer at Meadowfield, we have visiting instrumental teachers who are able to work one to one or in small groups with pupils in order to teach them how to play a chosen musical instrument. These are provided by a not-for-profit company called *Make Time For Music* for a small cost, which varies depending on the length of the lesson and size of the group, payable each term directly to the company. This is a great way to develop our pupils enjoyment and understanding of music.

Should you wish to apply for your child to receive an instrumental lesson, you will need to visit <https://maketimeformusic.org/contact-make-time-for-music> and complete the application form online. Once this has been received by Make Time For Music, they will contact me to arrange for the lessons to be setup at school.

If your child receives Free School Meals, it may be possible to reduce the cost of the lessons as Kent Music offer a bursary to cover some of the cost. These need to be applied for at the following website and are awarded each Summer for the following academic year:
<https://www.kent-music.com/financial-assistance/>

This fund is limited but it is always worth applying regardless of the time of year and even if the fund has already been fully allocated, as pupils in receipt of funding do not always continue their lessons throughout the year so their funding is reallocated at various times during the year.

Funding should be reapplied for towards the end of each academic year. If you are in receipt of a Kent Music Bursary or have applied and funding that was not available, you should receive an email or letter to remind you to reapply.

Should your child receive Free School Meals and not be allocated any funding from Kent Music, please contact me via email, office@meadowfield.kent.sch.uk and I can add them to a waiting list and try to source some funding from elsewhere but it is important to apply to Kent Music in the first instance.

Should you have any further questions about instrumental lessons, please contact me via email.

Yours faithfully

Ian Atkinson
Music Teacher

