



## Senior School Music

Music and the Arts play a central part in the holistic education of a Gordonstoun student. A Music Department team of specialist teachers delivers all curricular, vocal and instrumental lessons. Students have the opportunity to study orchestral, jazz, rock and traditional Scottish instruments. These weekly lessons are complemented by a comprehensive and diverse ensemble programme, weekly lunchtime concerts and regular evening concerts.

Music is available to study at both GCSE and A-Level for pupils to develop their skills further and to deepen their understanding of the subject.

We believe that learning to play a musical instrument provides important benefits for each student by:

- increasing their self-confidence, self-motivation and self-discipline.
- improving their social interaction and contributing to their sensitivity.
- broadening their educational horizons and forming an important part of their overall holistic education.
- improving their fine motor skills.
- allowing them to gain extra qualifications.
- providing a major source of joy and achievement.
- enabling them to take part in numerous performance opportunities throughout the year.

## Instrumental Music Lessons

If your son or daughter would like to learn an instrument at Gordonstoun, the Music Department offers individual tuition in the following instruments:

- **Strings:** Violin, Viola, 'Cello, Double-Bass
- **Brass:** Cornet, Trumpet, Trombone, Tenor Horn, Euphonium, Tuba, French Horn
- **Woodwind:** Saxophone, Clarinet, Oboe, Flute, Bassoon, Recorder
- **Guitar:** Classical, Acoustic, Electric, Bass, Ukulele, Mandolin
- **Percussion:** Drum Kit, Orchestral Percussion,
- **Voice**
- **Keyboard:** Piano, Organ
- **Bagpipes, Pipe Drumming**
- **Music Technology / Studio Techniques**

If there is an instrument that is not listed that you would like your child to play, please get in touch and we will try to support them by finding a teacher if possible.

### 2022/2023 Academic Year Fees

The instrumental and vocal lesson fees have not yet been announced for the next academic year. Please check back here shortly or, alternatively, contact the Fees Administrator on [fees@gordonstoun.org.uk](mailto:fees@gordonstoun.org.uk)



## Instrument Hire

Although students are encouraged to purchase their own instrument, the school has a stock of orchestral instruments available for hire. The hire fee is £50.00 per term for students wishing to use a School instrument (excluding piano, organ and percussion/drum kit where there will be a nominal maintenance/tuning charge of £20.00 per term).

## Notice to Amend or Cease Tuition

If your child wishes to **change** instruments, a term's notice is required, however requests cannot be automatically guaranteed part-way through a term.

Notice to **cease** instrumental tuition must be given before the end of the previous term. We will assume that instrumental tuition will continue if a student remains at Gordonstoun and has previously had instrumental lessons. **A full term's fees may be charged if adequate notice is not given.**

If you would like to speak to a member of the music department please email [music@gordonstoun.org.uk](mailto:music@gordonstoun.org.uk) and your query will be directed to the appropriate member of staff.

## How to Request, Amend or Cease Tuition

To commence, amend or cease tuition please use this [Instrumental Music Lessons at Gordonstoun](#) form.

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