

Stanford School



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Dear Parent/Guardian

Stanford School has always been proud of the musical experiences it has had to offer and many children have enjoyed, not only the experience of learning a musical instrument, but also the delight it has brought when presenting a performance to parents.

One of the instruments that has been offered to children for about ten years now has been the drums. We have had a professional drum teacher who has come in on a weekly basis to teach a group of children in KS2. Unfortunately, however, Mr Cook will no longer be able to come in in September, however I have offered to take his place instead.

Some of you will be aware, I taught at the school for almost 21 years prior to retiring at Easter of 2018. You may also be aware that I have taught djembe drums for several years now at Stanford, which KS2 children have thoroughly enjoyed. I am also a proficient drum kit player, and, as a pupil of Mr Cook's myself, am well aware of his teaching methods and high expectations, and would endeavour to continue in the high standards that you are all accustomed to at Stanford.

With this in mind, I would like to enquire as to whether any of our KS2 children would like to begin to learn the drum kit in September. Lessons will be offered as a twenty minute shared session with one other child on a Thursday lunchtime, initially. This will mean, there will be no disruption to their normal timetable. There will be a cost of £50 per term (£5.00 per lesson for 10 lessons), which will need to be paid at the beginning of each term.

Children will not necessarily need to purchase their own drum kit as they can use the school one and drum music (written notation) will also be provided.

At this point in the term, I would just like an estimation of the number of children who may be interested in taking up this wonderful opportunity of learning to play the drums.

If you would like your child to learn to play the drums in September, could you please sign and return the form below before the end of term (No payment is required until September). Initially, only 6 places can be offered, although if more children do express an interest, I may be able to extend the number to 12.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Mrs S Groves

I am interested for my child _____ (name) in Class _____

to learn to play the drums in September 2018 at a cost of £50.00 per term (paid in advance).

Signed _____ (Parent/Guardian)