



How much does it cost?

Lessons are on an individual basis.

30 minute individual lessons - £17 per lesson (paid directly to the teacher).
(Advent Term - £204, Lent Term - £153, Pentecost Term - £187)
Steel Pans lessons (in a group) - £4 per lesson (paid termly on Arbor).

Financial support may be available to you if you are in receipt of free school meals, pupil premium, or are studying GCSE or A Level Music. Each bursary entitles a student to one set of instrumental or vocal lessons and a pupil may only be in receipt of one of these benefits at a time.

In most cases, students will be able to borrow an instrument, free of charge.

Terms and Conditions

- There are three blocks of tuition: Advent, Lent and Pentecost. They can be paid in full, or in two equal payments. You will receive an invoice directly from your vocal/instrumental teacher. We provide a highly recommended and DBS checked tutor for you to enter into an agreement with directly.
- Tuition will commence at the start of a new term, and cancellations will take effect at the end of term. Cancellations cannot take place mid-term. Parents must give at least a half term's notice.
- To be eligible for a bursary at GCSE and A Level music, students must attend 95% of their instrumental/vocal lessons and 95% of co-curricular activities.
- Attendance registers will be reviewed each term to assess if a student is eligible for free lessons. If attendance does not meet the given criteria, then lessons will need to be paid for.
- Due to high demand, if your child misses 3 lessons (without prior notice), their place may be offered to another student.
- It is the responsibility of the student to let their teacher know in advance if they will be absent from a music lesson.

	Advent 2026	Lent 2027	Pentecost 2027
Payment deadline	11th September	31st December	2nd April
Lessons commence	14th September (12 weeks)	4th January (9 weeks)	5th April (11 weeks)

English Martyrs'
Catholic School



English Martyrs' Catholic School
Anstey Lane, Leicester LE4 0FJ

Tel: 0116 242 8880

Email: office@englishmartyrs.org

Website: www.englishmartyrs.org

Instagram: [emsmusicdpt](https://www.instagram.com/emsmusicdpt)

'May they all
be one'



English Martyrs'
Catholic School



Instrumental and Vocal
Music Tuition 2026-27

Head of Music: Mr L Leonard



Lessons currently available with our specialist instrumental teachers are:



Brass



Drums



Guitar



Organ



Saxophone



Voice



Clarinet



Flute



Oboe



Piano



Steel Pans



Violin/Viola/Cello

English Martyrs’ Catholic School recognises that Music Education forms an essential part of a rich and balanced education.

As such, we are committed to providing as wide a range of opportunities to enable students to learn a musical instrument. As a Music Department we aim to give students a love of music that will last a lifetime.

How will learning to play an instrument help my child?

As a school, we recognise the positive impact that the challenge and discipline of music and instrumental tuition can have on a student’s school life. We also recognise the distinct contribution of music to the Catholic liturgy and our responsibility as a school to provide education to enable students to participate in the liturgical ministry of music.

The school is committed to ensuring that students may have the opportunity to progress from beginner to Grade 8 where this is practical. Our co-curricular offer of a wide range of instrumental and vocal ensembles is an integral part of the learning experience at English Martyrs’.

Bursaries

Students studying GCSE & A Level Music will be eligible for FREE instrumental/ vocal lessons.

What is expected of music students?

Learning a musical instrument involves strong commitment and discipline. Daily practice at home is essential to make progress on an instrument.



Performances and exams

Instrumental and vocal students will take part in at least one of the school’s co-curricular groups and have the opportunity to perform in our popular concerts and shows. They will also take part in liturgical occasions throughout the year. This is compulsory.

Your child’s instrumental or vocal teacher will make a recommendation to the Head of Music should they be ready to take a formal ABRSM or Trinity External Grade Exam.

How does it work?

- Lesson times will be displayed on the screen outside the downstairs instrumental teaching rooms in the St Cecilia Building.
- It is the student’s responsibility to check the board each week for any changes or new information.
- Any lessons missed through student absence, including school trips, illness or failure to attend lessons, will be forfeited.
- Students who have either public or whole year examinations at the time of their lesson should inform their instrumental teacher at least a week in advance so that the lesson can be rescheduled. No music lessons are to be missed for any in-class tests. Teachers will make arrangements for tests to be completed at another suitable time.
- It is the student’s responsibility to inform their instrumental teacher and the Head of Music in advance of any planned absences.



Instrumental and Vocal Lesson Application Form 2026/2027

Please return this form to the school office for the attention of Mr Leonard, Head of Music

I wish (please insert student’s full name): Form:
to have (please insert name of instrument/voice): lessons.
Current Grade (if applicable):

LESSONS ARE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE, FOR THE WHOLE TERM (or in 2 instalments)

- The cost for instrument/voice lessons is **£17 per lesson**.
- The cost for Steel Pans lessons is **£4 per lesson**.

Please tick the following options as appropriate:

☐ Individual instrumental/vocal lessons (30 minutes)
☐ Steel pans lessons

Please note that if there are no spaces available for the lessons you request, the student will be placed on the waiting list and you will be contacted when a space becomes available.

You will be invoiced by your child’s individual teacher during the period indicated on the music tuition booklet. Payment for lessons is due in advance.

Once lessons commence, I agree that:

- My name and email address can be passed on to the instrumental/vocal teacher for the purpose of invoicing.
- Lessons cannot be rescheduled or refunded if they are missed without prior warning.
- Terms set out in the attached music tuition booklet will be adhered to.
- The school cannot take responsibility for any privately owned or hired instruments in respect of damage or theft on school premises.
- The school has the right to stop lessons where invoices are not paid promptly.
- The set notice must be given if I wish to cease lessons.
- I will encourage daily practice (lessons may be terminated if regular practice is not undertaken).
- Students will attend the relevant co-curricular ensemble specified by the Head of Music.

Parent/Carer signature: Date: