

## Dear Parents and Carers

Following Mr Birch's letter in January about the project to set up a music club for pupils, I wanted to update you and say a huge thank you for your support.

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of the school council and very generous donations from parents, the school has been able to fund new instruments, tuning of the piano and new music for the club to work on.

I was also delighted to have such a keen cohort of Music Champions come forward to help me collate what we have, and try out different instruments and approaches. We've had lots of fun making music already and have started to learn how to play our new ukuleles!

Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported the idea.

It has become clear that the group is likely to be popular, so in the interests of logistics I plan to run separate clubs for KS1 and KS2 in the future.

With this in mind the club will continue to run for <u>KS2 only for the remainder of this</u> <u>term</u>, and will then run <u>for all those in Y1 - Y3 from September</u>. School will send out a reminder for this in the new school year, inviting younger students to register.

I'm running the club voluntarily so am keen that it remains free to attend. All I ask is that children come with a genuine interest and willingness to take part and get involved. It's really about having fun, supporting each other and learning about music along the way.

If your child is in KS2 and doesn't already attend music club, please let them know they will be more than welcome. They don't need to have any musical experience, they simply need to go for lunch early and attend the spare classroom at 12:30 every Wednesday. Watch out for the posters in school and feel free to ask me or one of the music champions for more information.

Thank you again for your support and I look forward to us making even more music in school over the coming months!

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