

Tuesday 16th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Reminder - INSET day postponed

A reminder that there is NOT an INSET day tomorrow. The INSET day that was in the calendar was postponed due to students only having just returned to school, and will now be on Friday 28th May (the final day of term 5).

Home Testing for Students

Students who took part in the in-school testing were issued testing kits last week. Students should test twice each week, 3-5 days apart. We recommend testing Sunday evening or Monday morning before school and then again Wednesday evening or Thursday morning before school. Please see this letter for full information: <https://cityacademybristol.clf.uk/letters/student-home-testing-information-for-parents/>

If your child didn't take part in the in-school testing programme, but you would like to carry out home testing for your child, please email CABinfo@clf.uk along with your child's name and year group.

Face Masks & Uniform

A reminder to ensure **that your child has a mask before coming to school, unless they are exempt. We recommend your child also always carries a spare mask in case they lose or break one.** If your child arrives to school without a mask, they will be asked to return home to collect one.

Start Time

Please ensure your students are arriving to school on time, students should be at school ready for 8.30am when the school gates open.

Instrumental Tuition at City Academy Terms 5 and 6

The City Academy Music Department, in partnership with **Bristol Plays Music** offers instrumental lessons for pupils from Year 7-11. Pupils have one lesson weekly and this may be shared with another pupil. This makes the lessons more sustainable for parents; provides greater flexibility and quality of delivery. It is hoped this will raise attainment and achievement of the pupils, which will filter through the musical life of City Academy as a whole.

In light of recent events surrounding Coronavirus, we continue to follow all the appropriate guidelines from Public Health England and the guidance issued by the Department of Education regarding how educational settings should handle the current situation. This ensures that instrumental lessons can be delivered safely and effectively. These guidelines may change and lessons may be postponed until a date in which they are safe to resume.

Instrumental lessons will be taught by staff employed by Bristol Plays Music and delivered in term time during the school day. Lessons will start after October half term. **Please note that pupils will need to come out of other lessons to attend their instrumental lesson.**

Term 5 and 6 will comprise of 11 lessons.

Fees

The charges for lessons are:

£16 per individual lesson (£176 for terms 5&6)

£8 per shared lesson (£88 for Terms 5&6)

This is heavily subsidised by City Academy and therefore it is important that pupils show commitment to practicing their instrument each week and attend every lesson. Please ignore the price on the website as this is the rate before our subsidy. You will only be charged the fees above. Parents must complete the online form as Bristol Plays Music will organise the administration of the lessons from this point onwards: Please register your child for lessons through the Bristol Plays Music website at the link below:

<https://ukbristolbeacon.speedadmin.dk/registration#/>

If you have any questions, please contact Miss Caplin - louise.caplin@clf.uk

Thank you for your support and co-operation in these challenging times, if you have any queries, please contact me via the school email address CABinfo@clf.uk

Best wishes



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