

We've changed our name! Brighton & Hove Music and Arts and East Sussex Music have come together as Create Music.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Guitar Tuition at Rye Community Primary School for children in, Year 3, 4, 5 and 6: Create Music.

I hope you are well and had a fantastic summer break. It was a pleasure to perform and demonstrate the Acoustic and Electric Guitar to your child at Rye Community Primary School yesterday.

Learning to play the Guitar provides children with an experience that enriches their lives in so many ways. Children will learn musical skills that help develop a lifelong love of music and be introduced to a range of musical styles, which will spark a curiosity for learning.

Research has shown that there are many other benefits associated with learning to play a musical instrument including: -

- Developing confidence and self-esteem.
- Improving teamwork, concentration and many other skills useful for learning.
- Making new friends and having fun.
- Improving mental health.

Lessons take place either individually or in small groups of 2-4 children, at Rye Community Primary school during the school day. Each lesson costs approximately £10, with 25% or 85% discounts available if parents/carers are eligible.

Guitars come in many different sizes. For a first guitar I would recommend for a child in year 3 onwards a 3 / 4 size nylon stringed acoustic. If you are interested in buying a guitar for your child, I would recommend the following suppliers: -

- B&T Music (Hastings) New and second hand available.
- Golden Axe (Hastings) New and second hand available
- Replay Music Stores (Bexhill).

Great guitar deals can also be found online from the following online retailers: -

- Amazon
- Gear4Music

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To help you find out more about learning to play the Guitar, I am hosting a zoom parent/carer meeting, which takes place on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm via zoom, lasting 30 minutes, when you'll be able to meet me and find out more about what's involved in learning the guitar, the costs and how you may be able to receive support towards lesson fees: Please join Zoom Meeting

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Should you wish to apply, your application will appear on my waiting list as soon as you apply and I will be the visiting teacher each week.

We will send an invoice for the Autumn term, once we have scheduled the lessons.

If your child would like to learn the Guitar, you can apply for lessons directly via our website: <a href="https://createmusic.org.uk/">https://createmusic.org.uk/</a>:

Please click on 'For children and young people'
Lessons at School
How lessons work and then 'what to expect and how to Apply'
Applying for lessons
Then 'Apply for lessons online'
And then select Rye Primary School from the drop-down menu

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>john.thompson@createmusic.org.uk</u> or 07912750573. I look forward to hearing from you and hopefully welcoming you to our music family soon.

Best wishes, John

John Thompson Guitar Teacher **Create Music** <u>createmusic.org.uk</u>



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