

Frome College Young Musicians Fund

The 'Frome College Young Musicians Fund' has been set up by Mr Hampson and Mr Alexander Arcoleo. Mr Arcoleo was a student of Music and Music Technology at Frome College over ten years ago. Mr Arcoleo is now a very successful composer and writes library music for TV and Film.

The funding has been given generously by Mr Arcoleo as part of a larger donation to the Frome College Music Department. Mr Hampson and Mr Arcoleo have decided to use a large portion of the funds to help fund 1-2-1 instrumental lessons for deserving students at Frome College. The Fund will aim to be for students whose parents/carers may struggle to fund instrumental lessons for their child.

The aim of the Young Musicians Fund is to assist families in funding instrumental/vocal lessons for their child specifically those who are not considered Pupil Premium but may still struggle to afford lessons. Parents/Carers must be eligible and in receipt of child allowance to apply for this funding.

If your child is Pupil Premium or receives Free School Meals, please contact Mr Hampson before applying for the Young Musicians Fund as alternative funding may be available.

The Fund will cover 50% of the cost of 1-2-1 weekly 30-minute instrumental lessons for one academic year. Applications will be considered from July for the following academic year (September – July). Students can apply for the Fund at any time throughout the academic year, but their funding will stop at the end of that academic year. Each year a finite number of places will be made available and once the allocated number of places has been filled for the year, we will no longer be accepting applications until the following academic year. Students who have received funding in previous years are welcome to apply again but new applicants may take priority.

Any student at Frome College regardless of whether they are studying GCSE music or not can apply for this funding providing they meet the following criteria:

- Parents/Carers are in receipt of National Child Allowance (proof must be shown upon application)
- Student expresses a keen interest in music - already plays an instrument or is keen to learn an instrument (this must be shown in their application and from recommendations from Music Teacher, Head of House and or Tutor).

Each year a certain number of places will be made available to receive this funding. In the event of more applications than places the following will be considered.

- Year group - Year 11 & 13 will take priority over younger years
- Whether the student has received the funding before
- School Attendance
- Behaviour and attitude to learning in school

Places will be decided by a panel made up of Music Teachers, Senior Leadership and Governors.

Upon receiving the funding students will be reviewed termly to ensure the recipient is attending their lessons and making good progress. Unexplained poor attendance may result in the funding being withdrawn.

To apply for the Young Musicians Fund please complete the application form and send to:
fccfinance@fromecollege.org

Please return completed form to the Finance Department at Frome College