

# FROEBELIAN SCHOOL PIANO LESSONS

## **Why choose piano?**

If you are trying to decide which instrument your child should learn, then piano is a versatile, all round option as a starter instrument. Learning the piano teaches children many musicianship skills – such as reading treble and bass clefs - which can later be transferred to other instruments. Playing the piano develops a high level of manual dexterity – being able to perform complex pieces with both hands working independently. Children gain other benefits as well, such as improving their memory and helping them to solve problems in a logical order.

## **Practicalities**

For your child to start learning piano, he or she will need to have an instrument to practise on at home. Ideally this will be an acoustic piano of reasonable quality (i.e. in tune and with all keys working) or a digital piano. If neither of these options is possible, then a keyboard with full size keys would be sufficient at first to see if your child takes to the instrument, with a view to upgrading to a piano or digital piano later on.

Lessons in school take place weekly and rotate throughout the day so that your child is not always missing the same school subject when he or she comes to the lesson. I aim to provide 30 lessons in each academic year. The school requires me to invoice parents directly, and the cost for 2023-24 is £19 per 30-minute lesson, payable termly in advance. There will also be some tuition books which you will need to purchase.

## **Next steps**

If you would like your child to begin piano lessons in September, or if you would like further information, then please contact me directly.

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