

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Ref: 25/26 non exam pupils

Dear Parent(s),

RE: Peripatetic Lessons for the Autumn Term 2026/2027 (Sept – Dec 2026)
Students who currently have lessons

I am writing to you with instructions on how you can secure instrumental lessons for your child next term.

The charge for an individual 15-minute lesson will continue to be £10.10. This means an annual course of 34 lessons will now be £343.40. This is broken down into the following termly charges: £131.30 for the autumn term, £111.10 for the spring term and £101 for the summer term. All amounts continue to be payable in advance.

Students who are currently enjoying peripatetic music lessons at the school will be **able to purchase lessons through ParentPay from Thursday 2nd July**. Slots will be allocated according to the availability of the tutors. If the allocated time does not suit your child, you will have the opportunity to request changes after the October half-term. Your child will be assigned the same instrument and tutor as in the Summer 25/26 term. If you would like to request a change to the instrument or tutor, please contact finance@shsb.org.uk.

Failure to pay for lessons will mean that there will be NO LESSONS NEXT YEAR.

The process for purchasing these lessons is detailed below:

1. Log into ParentPay and select the "Instrumental Lessons" category from the main Homepage.
2. Make the payment in Autumn Peripatetic Lessons 2026/27.
3. Select the quantity to two if you would like a double lesson.
4. Proceed through to payment.

Please note, all tutors have a *main speciality*, this is the instrumental category you will find them listed under on ParentPay. However, this does not mean that they are not qualified to teach other instruments. If you currently have a tutor for an instrument other than their main speciality (e.g. Keyboard lessons from a brass tutor) who you wish to continue with, this will not be a problem. Please email me Finance@shsb.org.uk, to confirm your instrumental needs.

The deadline for completing this process is Thursday 16th July. Once this deadline is reached, the payment product will open up to new Year 7 pupils on 17th July, and pupils currently on the waiting list. This means that failure to pay for a slot before this deadline could result in no slot remaining available for you.



Places available for both tutors and specific instruments are limited by availability, and there can unfortunately be no guarantee that your child will be able to continue with the same tutor or time slot year to year. By offering pupils who currently have lessons priority booking, we hope to minimise these difficulties as much as possible. Any changes can only be done after the October half term.

After you have purchased your timeslot, your son/daughter will then be allocated **ANY** one of the 15-minute lessons within the week. The time and location of the lesson allocated will be displayed on a timetable outside of the finance office and in the music department at the start of the autumn term. It is anticipated that lessons will start in the second week of the term, that commencing Monday 7th September 2026.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me on Finance@shsb.org.uk

Please find the terms and condition document for peripatetic lessons linked below:
<https://www.shsb.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=4155>

Yours sincerely,
Miss O Payagala
Finance Assistant & Peripatetic Administrator