

Entrust Music Service Staffordshire

Quality Music Provision for Staffordshire
schools and families.

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Music Service Staffordshire

Introduction

We are passionate about delivering the best service to schools and families for all young people. Our professional music teachers can deliver specialist, quality tuition across the full range of instruments and through whole class tuition. We deliver a wide range of music programmes and workshops and can support schools and families from Early Years right through to the end of Further Education.

Benefits of music service provision:

- Progression through instrumental and whole class teaching programmes
- Instruments are provided free of charge in support of all teaching and ensembles
- Lessons are delivered during the school day to classes, groups or individuals
- Opportunities are made available for study towards external examinations
- A full programme of ensembles and performance opportunities operates annually
- Staff have full DBS checks, are safeguarding trained and follow an annual programme of CPD
- Cover teaching or refunds are provided for sessions not delivered due to absence
- Access to affordable music provision

Outcomes



Develops Key Values

Music develops important values for learning such as motivation, commitment, manners, courtesy and discipline.



Encourages Inclusion

Music is inclusive and teaches cultural and social education as well as building confidence, self-esteem and well-being.



Improves Skills

Making music improves listening, learning and concentration skills that can be applied in school and throughout life.



Broadens Thinking

Making music encourages creativity and broadens thinking.

**We provide
quality music
provision for
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families in
Staffordshire**

Making Music

It's hard to imagine life without music. It reaches out to all of us in some way throughout our lives. Music is a key part of being human, it fuels our minds, inspires creativity and helps bring people together.

Music in schools

The music service in Staffordshire has provided teaching to Staffordshire schools and families for over fifty years and now teaches around **15,000** young people on a weekly basis through instrumental, vocal, curriculum, ensemble and whole class programmes. High quality is at the heart of everything we do and our professional teachers are amongst the best in the region and across the country. Staffordshire has a long history of quality music making and our pupils continue to achieve the highest standards of performance.

Many Staffordshire schools have a selection of music service staff visiting on a weekly basis and opportunities are available for students on a wide range of instruments, including:

- Strings: (Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass)
- Brass: (Cornet, Trumpet, Trombone, Horn, Baritone, Euphonium, Tuba)
- Woodwind: (Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Saxophone, Bassoon)
- Percussion (Drum Kit, Orchestral)
- Piano, Keyboard, Guitar, Ukulele, Singing and Music Theory

Pupils learn through a broad and vibrant curriculum and regular assessments are undertaken to inform reporting to parents. There are opportunities to take the examinations offered by the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music, London College, Rock School and Trinity College London examination boards.

Further details on the types of teaching programmes available are provided on the following pages.

"Most children will have their first experience of music at school. It is important that music education of high quality is available to as many of them as possible: it must not become the preserve of those children whose families can afford to pay for music tuition. Where music touches the lives of all young people, the disadvantaged can benefit most."

- The Importance of Music, A National Plan for Music Education
Published in 2011, the national plan extends until 2020

Music Service FAST FACTS

-  We have **7 music centres** throughout Staffordshire where musicians can rehearse and make friends.
-  **9,000 instruments** are hired to pupils and schools.
-  **360 schools** are supported annually to deliver regular music teaching.
-  **7,000 pupils** benefit from whole class ensemble teaching.
-  **15,000 pupils** are engaged weekly in high quality music making.
-  **250 schools** receive weekly instrumental and/or vocal teaching provision.



We provide **affordable** opportunities for all young people who want to learn music



Instrumental & Vocal Teaching

Most schools offer the opportunity to have instrumental and vocal lessons.

Information for parents:

- Contact your school office to find out what is currently offered at school
- If your school does not currently offer lessons then please ask them to contact musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk or, please contact us directly to discuss alternative options for learning
- Check the cost of lessons, this could be a weekly, termly or an annual charge and prices vary between schools depending on take up, levels of subsidy and educational priorities
- We deliver 36 weeks of tuition through the year for most schools in Staffordshire
- Lessons are mostly delivered in school time which means that you do not have to make special arrangements to take your child somewhere else for lessons. It also means that your child's school and teacher are aware of their musical learning and can signpost additional opportunities that may become available

- A combination of practice and lessons over several years will enable your child to progress to the higher levels of musicianship and instrumental skill.
- Although it is usually best to enquire with your school in the summer term, ahead of starting lessons in September, it can often be possible to include your child in a group through the year if spaces are available
- If you do not have your own instrument, the music service can loan one to you at no additional cost if you are having lessons or playing in a Staffordshire ensemble

Information for schools:

Please contact musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk to discuss your music provision requirements or to arrange a fully funded audit of music provision with one of our team.

Instruments

If your child is going to learn to play a musical instrument with our service, and you do not have your own available, then they can access this through the service. Once you have agreed your child's lessons with the school, the music service teacher will organise for an instrument to be made available.

There is no additional charge for instrument loan although you are responsible for the instrument whilst it is on loan to your child. If a repair is required then the teacher will make the arrangements and may supply a replacement while the repair is being made.

If an instrument gets damaged, please do not attempt to mend it yourself but return it to your child's teacher in the next lesson.



Music is **inclusive**
and caters for all ages,
backgrounds and abilities

EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

The music service supports pupils with external examinations through nationally recognised exam boards such as; The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM), Trinity College London, London College and RockschooL.

Entering for examinations supports learning and allows pupils to aim high in their achievements. Exams generally start at Grade 1 and then progress through to Grade 8 and beyond. The higher grades (6,7 and 8) are recognised by universities and currently attract UCAS points.

We recognise that not all pupils will take exams for a variety of reasons. We have our own curriculum with assessment levels to support progress and achievement. The music service curriculum starts prior to Grade 1 with Preliminary and Improver levels and then has Level 1 through to Level 8, approximately corresponding to exam board grade levels.

Find out more

To find out more about our curriculum, or to ask about external exams, please contact musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk

Key To Music

The K2M programme delivers whole class instrumental music making to Staffordshire schools.

The K2M scheme has been known by many different names nationally: 'Wider Opportunities', 'First Access' or 'Whole Class Ensemble Teaching' and has been delivered as 'K2M' in Staffordshire for over ten years.

K2M provides a vibrant foundation of music making and equips pupils with the vital skills, knowledge and understanding that will enable them to make good progress with instrumental and vocal learning in future years.

Weekly sessions

Participating schools receive a weekly session for a class of children and the choice of instruments for the programme includes: strings, brass, woodwind, percussion, guitar and ukulele. Schools can decide which of these instruments would best suit their needs, pupil interests, educational outcomes and /or budget.

As K2M is curriculum time provision, schools do not pass on this cost to parents, ensuring the session is affordable for all...

As K2M is curriculum time provision, schools do not pass on this cost to parents, ensuring the session is affordable for all. We work with schools and families to support continuation for many pupils from K2M into affordable large and small group lessons, ensuring that large numbers of children benefit from this foundation year and continue with their learning for the future.

Getting involved

Parents can contact the school office to find out what is currently offered at school to follow on from K2M, or contact the music service directly to discuss alternative options for learning. As part of the K2M programme, your child is welcome to join one of the many beginner ensembles we run at music centres across the county. Further details about how to get involved are provided in this booklet.

Whole class instrumental sessions are also available at Key Stage 1 (K1M) and Key Stage 3 (K3M). To find out more, please contact musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk





Live Music

A Musical Showcase for the whole school...

- A stimulating hour long live music experience for your school, year group or class
- A brilliant way to inspire and reward your pupils at the end of term
- Curriculum linked set lists to stimulate further learning in your school's chosen topic
- Available for all key stages, the session lasts for an hour with 3 musicians, grouped to show diversity of instruments, a specific genre or curriculum focus
- Rock and Pop and Classical genres available

To find out more, please contact musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk

Music promotes
creativity, expression
and develops social skills



Curriculum Teaching

The music service provides experienced curriculum music teachers to many schools throughout Staffordshire.

Delivered by experienced qualified teachers, curriculum music teaching works to the requirements of the National Curriculum, including creative, practical, performing, composing and listening activities to meet the individual needs of pupils.

Support for creative curriculum development can be included, as can preparation for performances. Although designed as 36-week programme, curriculum teaching can be flexibly negotiated to meet the needs and budgets of schools. This service is fully inclusive of preparation, planning, travelling, delivery, assessment, cover, and reporting.

Benefits of using a curriculum music teacher

Using a curriculum music teacher can help to:

- Shape the music provision in your school and embed it into your curriculum
- Give 'on hand', expert music advice to realise the musical potential in your pupils
- Get the most from your existing instruments and resources
- Provide CPD to other members of your team
- Bring your school and pupils on board with the extra opportunities available through the music service

Our fully qualified music teachers deliver specialist, quality music lessons for your school.





Music participation improves concentration skills which are vital across the whole curriculum.



Music Centres

The music service runs seven music centres across the county of Staffordshire, allowing musicians to rehearse, have fun and make friends.

The opportunity to rehearse and perform with others is vital to the development of musicians. As well as the challenge of making music with others, it also helps pupils improve their music reading, learn how to perform, increases their confidence and gives the opportunity to play fun and exciting music in many performance venues.

A range of activities for all ages and abilities...

Whatever your interests or ability, there are Music Centre activities to suit all pupils. Please see the information below for a snapshot of what is on offer across the county. Contact us for more information musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk

	Moorlands	Newcastle	Stafford/Stone	Cannock	Burton	Lichfield/Rugeley	Tamworth
Music Centre							
Training Wind Band	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Wind Band	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Stringsters	✓	✓	✓✓		✓	✓	✓
String Orchestra	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Training Brass Band		✓					
Brass Band		✓					
Voices Together Choir	✓	✓	✓				
Launch Pad						✓	
Rock Band						✓	
Guitar Ensemble				✓			
Regional and County							
Orchestra			✓			✓	
Concertante Strings		✓				✓	
Big Band/Jazz Orchestra		✓		✓	✓	✓	

 **Moorlands Music Centre**
Fortnightly, Saturday Mornings
Blythe Bridge High School, ST11 9PW
Music Centre Manager: Dan Hollingshurst
dan.hollingshurst@entrust-music.co.uk

 **Newcastle Music Centre**
Fortnightly, Saturday Mornings
St John Fisher Catholic Academy, ST5 2SJ
Music Centre Manager: Janine Golds
janine.golds@entrust-music.co.uk

 **Stafford Music Centre**
Weekly, Wednesday Evenings
Blessed William Howard School (Stafford)
Manor Hill First School (Stone)
ST17 9AB / ST15 0HY
Music Centre Manager: Reece Galley
kieran.joy@entrust-music.co.uk

 **Cannock Music Centre**
Weekly, Thursday Evenings
Fortnightly, Saturday Mornings
Cardinal Griffin High School, WS11 4AW
Music Centre Manager: Alex Walker
alex.walker@entrust-music.co.uk

 **Burton Music Centre**
Weekly, Monday Evenings
William Shrewsbury Primary, DE13 0HE
Music Centre Manager: Tim Robinson
timothy.robinson@entrust-music.co.uk

 **Lichfield & Rugeley Music Centre**
Weekly, Monday Evenings
Fortnightly, Saturdays
King Edward VI High School, WS14 9EE
Music Centre Manager: Jenny Mawdsley
jenny.mawdsley@entrust-music.co.uk

 **Tamworth Music Centre**
Weekly, Wednesday Evenings
Fortnightly, Thursday Evenings
Landau Forte Academy QEMS, B79 8AH
Music Centre Manager: Gemma Williams
gemma.williams@entrust-music.co.uk

The Music Education Hub

The North-West Midlands Music Education Hub (NWMMEH) is a partnership of high quality music organisations and is funded by the Department for Education through Arts Council England.



The NWMMEH was formed to ensure that every child aged 5-18 has the opportunity to sing and learn a musical instrument and to perform as part of an ensemble or choir as recommended in the National Plan for Music Education.

Entrust Music Service Staffordshire is the lead partner for the NWMMEH which covers the local authority areas of Staffordshire, Stoke-on-Trent and Telford & Wrekin.



85% of Staffordshire schools and settings work regularly with the music service or are supported by the Music Education Hub.

Opportunities for adults

Vocal

The 'Staffordshire County Chorus' meets in Stafford during the spring term each year. Adults of all ages and experience work together to prepare choral work to perform alongside schools and with orchestral musicians at Lichfield Cathedral as part of the Music Hub Singing Strategy, 'Voices Together'.

Instrumental

Whilst most music service teaching is focused on young people aged 5 to 18, we do provide tuition for adults in certain circumstances or can help arrange lessons for adults with quality teachers. All our music centre groups cater for adult players so please contact us if you are interested in joining.

Volunteering

Across Staffordshire we have a network of 'Friends' organisations, including Friends of Staffordshire's Young Musicians (FOSYM) which support specific music centres, pupils and our events. Activities range from helping with refreshments to programme selling, stewarding, fundraising and being on site to support our musicians.

We are always looking for new adults to join our list of supporters, please visit our website - musicservice@entrust-ed.co.uk (Volunteers may be asked to complete a DBS check)

Find out more at the Music Education Hub website www.nwmmeh.co.uk

Friends of Young Musicians (FOSYM)

Supporting Young Musicians and Musical Activities in Staffordshire.

Music changes young people's lives for the better. It provides focus, raises self-esteem, develops ambition and builds friendships. FOSYM works to encourage and support musical activity amongst Staffordshire's young people. Whether through concerts, prizes or purchasing instruments, we do all we can to bring the positive difference made by music to as many young lives as possible.



FOSYM is a partner organisation in The North-West Midlands Music Education Hub (NWMMEH) which has been formed to ensure that every child aged 5-18 has the opportunity to sing and learn a musical instrument and to perform as part of an ensemble or choir as recommended in the National Plan for Music Education.

FOSYM makes a difference by:

- Raising funds to help buy musical instruments and other equipment
- Supporting concerts and music courses with volunteers and funding
- Awarding annual prizes to encourage young musicians in Staffordshire
- Offering opportunities for young people to perform their music, allowing them to develop both musical and social skills
- Sponsoring events for young musicians, including Staffordshire Young Musician of the Year

How can you help FOSYM?

Helping young people discover music and make it a transformational part of their lives is not only easy, it's enjoyable and hugely rewarding. All donations – large and small – are welcome, but why not join in the fun and donate some time as well?

- Become a Member of FOSYM by making a donation of at least £10.00
- Volunteer to help at concerts and events
- Join the Trustees for a year or more
- Sponsor a concert, workshop or event

Help us with our fundraising:

- Organise an event
- Take part in a sponsored activity
- Put us in touch with grant makers you know who might be interested in our work
- Receive details of concerts and events and come along to support them
- Include a gift for FOSYM in your will

FIND OUT MORE

Change young people's lives. Get in touch now
www.fosym.org.uk



Find out more about our music service

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