

## Music News

I am delighted to let you know that we have teamed up with three local musicians who will be offering tuition before and after school.

### Annie Ball



Annie (Dip ABRSM, BMus MMus) is a local award-winning concert pianist who has been teaching for over 20 years in the classroom, privately and in specialist music centres. Currently she holds positions in two of the UK's top independent schools in Jesmond, Newcastle. Annie has a playful and engaging approach to teaching, utilising apps and games as well as creating opportunities for her students to perform (Let's Play Piano monthly meet ups in Jesmond- subject to COVID regulations). Annie is delighted to be offering piano lessons to pupils of Emmaville on Wednesdays from September where both her children attend.

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### Mr. George Hutton



Hello students, parents and staff of Emmaville primary school! My name is George Hutton and I can't wait to start teaching drums at your brilliant school in September. Music and drumming is my passion - it'll be so much fun sharing that passion with all you budding drum stars. We will learn the key fundamentals of drumming, rhythm and music in an exciting, engaging way and start your musical career with a bang!

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### Mr. Richard Scott



Hello! I'm Richard. I grew up in Newcastle and then moved to Birmingham to do a music degree and have recently moved back to the North East with my wife and 1-year-old daughter. I love playing music, singing and dancing! My main instruments are the violin and guitar but I also play the ukulele, viola, mandolin, tenor banjo, steel pans and tin whistle. I was brought up on classical music and now I also play a lot of folk, jazz and even experimental improvised music! I'm really looking forward to getting to know the friendly faces at Emmaville.

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## How this will work:

Thank you to everyone who completed the on-line questionnaire. You should have received a letter giving you the option to reserve lesson slots.

We were hoping to start lessons from September 2021 but have decided that it would be sensible to aim for the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021. Should COVID restrictions allow, we might consider bringing this forward to start in October 2021.

\*\*\*\*There are still spaces for anyone, who will be in Reception to Year 6, that would like to be given a lesson slot. Please contact the relevant music teacher **as soon as possible** to register your interest. The musicians may be teaching at the time of your call, so please leave a message if you get no answer. Once the timetable is full, music teachers will compile a waiting list and let you know if a place becomes available for the next half term. \*\*\*\*

Our External Music Teachers offer lessons at Emmaville Primary School at the following times. They teach at other times and at other venues, so if this timetable does not suit you, it still might be worth contacting the relevant teacher.

	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7.30am -9am		<b>George Hutton:</b> Rock and Pop Drums Dance Studio	<b>George Hutton:</b> Rock and Pop Drums Dance Studio
7.30am -9am		<b>Richard Scott:</b> Violin/Viola Guitar Ukulele Staff Room	<b>Richard Scott:</b> Violin/Viola Guitar Ukulele Staff Room
3.15pm-6pm	<b>Annie Ball:</b> Piano Dance Studio	<b>Richard Scott:</b> Violin/Viola Guitar Ukulele Staff Room	<b>Richard Scott:</b> Violin/Viola Guitar Ukulele Dance Studio

## Prices

External Music Teachers set their own hourly rate. This can be split between the number of children taking part in a session.

Teacher	Instrument	Type of session	Length of session each week.	Approximate cost for a seven-week half term.
Annie Ball	Piano	up to 3 children	30 mins	£58.45-£122.50
George Hutton	Rock and Pop Drums	up to 3 children	30 mins	£38.50- £115.50
Richard Scott	Violin/Viola/ Ukulele/Guitar	up to 3 children	30 mins	£35.00- £105.00
	Ukulele	up to 6 children	30 mins	£17.50- £105.00
	Ukulele	10 to 30 children	1 hour 15mins	£14.00-£42.00

## **Payment**

### **Lessons involving 1-6 pupils:**

Payment for a whole **half** term will be made by parents **directly to the music teacher** by the second last week of the previous half term.

### **Lessons involving more than 6 pupils:**

Payment for a whole **term** (from January 2022) will be made by parents **directly to the music teacher** by the second last week of the previous term.

**Please note: No refunds will be made for any children who wish to 'drop out' of a session during a term or half term.** We expect parents to explain to their children that they have made a commitment to other children, parents and teachers to stick with the lessons for the full term or half term, depending on the size of the group. We expect all those who have booked to attend **all** of the sessions and complete the course. Learning how to play a musical instrument doesn't 'just happen'. To make progress, children need to put in time and effort. One of the benefits of learning a musical instrument is that children can see and hear the results of their efforts.

Please let the music teacher know as soon as possible if your child does not wish to continue with lessons into the next term or half term. This allows teachers time to contact and receive payment from anyone on the waiting list who may wish to take the place. Alternatively, those sharing the session may choose to pay more and benefit from a smaller group size.

## **Communication and Organisation**

Please note, our school office will not be involved in the organisation of these sessions and staff will not be available to collect, supervise or drop off children to sessions.

I can be contacted for more information: [KateJarvis@emmavilleprimary.org.uk](mailto:KateJarvis@emmavilleprimary.org.uk) but you should generally contact the relevant music teacher in the first instance, please.

Music teachers will collect and drop off to the following place **by prior arrangement**:

- Breakfast and After School Club Rooms
- The Main School Reception door - if the lesson takes place in the Staff Room.
- An outside Classroom door near the Dance Studio - if the lesson takes place in the Dance Studio.

The lessons will start promptly.

If for any reason your child is unable to attend their lesson, including illness, school outings and school training days, please let the music teacher know by leaving a telephone message directly with them. Our school office will not be passing on messages.

Children are able to go home at the end of the school day and return to school for their lesson. If they need to attend Breakfast or After School Club this will be charged at the normal rate. Before and After School Music lessons will not include food and drink, only music tuition.

## **Musical Instruments**

School will be purchasing some stringed instruments which we can rent out to parents who do not wish to buy their own for their child at this stage.

Piano Lessons: Children will use the electric piano in school.

Rock and Pop Drums: Children will use a drum kit and/or drum pads in school. Ear defenders, for use in school, will be made available and cleaned between use. It is worth your child having their own set of drum sticks so that they can practice at home.