

Dulwich Hamlet Junior School



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Re. Steel Band Sessions

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to let you know that we are able to offer steel pan sessions to our Year 4-6 children with our fabulous teacher, Mr Russell Roberts.

Sessions are 45 minutes long and there will be a cost of £5.00 per session (£50.00 per term). Please note that, as they are run during school time, childcare vouchers cannot be used as payment.

Year 4

In Year 4, we offer the steel pan sessions in a block of ten weekly sessions on Wednesday afternoons during school time on a rotating timetable including lunchtimes as well as during their Wednesday afternoon lessons. We run three of these “tasters” throughout the year, one per term. They will have a performance opportunity to show you what they have learned in the final session.

Year 5 and 6

The children receive their lessons during school time on Wednesday afternoons on a rotating timetable. This includes lunchtimes as well as during their Wednesday afternoon lessons. As this may not be an ideal time due to other priorities and commitments, like other ensembles or sports, we also have a Year 5&6 steel pan group on a Wednesday from 3.30-4.15pm. Children who have been in a steel band previously have first priority to join the groups. There are at least two opportunities to perform a year so your child **needs to commit weekly until Christmas and/or from January to July.**

Before confirming your child’s interest, please understand that Steel Pans is a music ensemble rather than a club, and will only work if your child is prepared to attend regularly. There may be other opportunities available for your child to play the steel pans that do not require the same commitment.

If you would like your child to participate in one of these ensembles, please complete the reply slip below and return to me via the school office. Please note, **returning this form is not confirmation of your child’s place during this term’s group.** I do have a waiting list so will collect new names onto a waiting list and let you know if a place becomes available. You may add your child’s name to this list at any point but priority will be given to those who have been on it the longest.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Sharon Campbell
(Music Coordinator)

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Return to Miss Campbell via the school office. Thank you.

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I am interested in my child: in class:
to be added to the waiting list for a steel pan group.

- I would prefer this to be
- rotating during lunch and school time on Wednesdays
 - from 3.30-4.15pm on Wednesdays (y5/6 only)
 - either during school or after school on Wednesdays (y5/6 only)

Signed: parent/carer

Date: