



The Ryde School

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Headteacher: Mrs Sue Thompson

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Dear Parents/Carers

You are probably aware that your child has been taking part in weekly lessons with Mr Cranham to begin to learn to play a brass instrument.

The philosophy behind the project is that every child should have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument through quality first teaching, followed up with an additional session in school as needed, and practice sessions at home. The hope is that some children will enjoy playing into their adult life. You never know what hidden talents your child may have unless they have the opportunity to experiment and explore with new ideas and experiences, and this is just one way we can offer this.

To explain the project in more detail, Mr Cranham and myself would like to invite you to a meeting on Tuesday 9th May at 3.15pm. Mr Cranham will also be able to discuss care and storage of the instrument and how practice at home can enhance progress and enjoyment for your child. We will also be able to answer any questions you have about this project.

The instruments we have purchased are baritones and cornets. Both the governors and I can see the value in this investment to the development and well-being of your child. The instruments have been a significant financial cost to the school and we hope they will serve the school well for many years to come.

To ensure that responsibilities are clear we have written an agreement for you to consent to and sign before your child will be able to bring their instrument home to practice.

I look forward to welcoming you to the meeting on Tuesday 9th May at 3.15pm.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Sue Thompson

