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## **Newsletter April 2023**

As we head off into a new term, I will congratulate my exam students for yet another excellent performance for the first exam session of 2023. 100% pass rate again and a very high distinction mark achieved, very well done!

Thank you to those who managed to attend my performance at 'Ye Olde Cherry Tree' last month, your support was most appreciated. Remember attending live performances and listening to musicians perform not only helps to support the efforts to 'keep music live', but can also inspire you and contribute to improving your own musical development.

Myself and my duo partner will be running a music workshop at St. Joseph's school in May to introduce the children to some Flute and Guitar music. We will be highlighting the development of the instruments and demonstrating how we can move music from the 'Classical' era into the modern, with group participation towards the end. This will be the second workshop we have run for schools and local groups this year. If you feel a local group or school you work with may benefit from a similar event then please come and speak to me about what we could offer to your organisation.

As always, any local events I find of interest I will post on my Facebook page and keep you up dated.

The next practical exam session will take place between June and July and the booking period is close to closing. I have already entered some of you who I feel are ready this time around. For those of you who are looking to sit an exam this year, the next sitting will be the third session running November to December. If you feel you would like to aim for this, and we haven't already begun planning then please speak to me.

**Just a quick reminder-** Please can you all be punctual for lesson drop offs and pick-ups. As you have probably all noticed I am now very busy and I do not have a covered waiting area therefore, when the weather is unpleasant you still have to wait outside and I can not keep students in my teaching room when others have arrived on time for their lessons. Similarly, if you turn up early for a lesson you will more than likely still have to wait outside the room until your allocated lesson time.



## **Exam News**

# Practical ABRSM exams (Session 2)

Booking Period: 17<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

Exam Dates:12th June – 15th July

### Practical exam fees

Prep Test	46 GBP
Initial Grade	46 GBP
Grade 1	51 GBP
Grade 2	59 GBP
Grade 3	68 GBP
Grade 4	74 GBP
Grade 5	81 GBP
Grade 6	94 GBP
Grade 7	101 GBP
Grade 8	119 GBP

As I am sure most of you are aware, when it has been raining heavy the entrance to my driveway floods. This has been reported to highways agency and there is nothing more that can be done currently. When pedestrian access is difficult you are welcome to pull up on to the driveway to drop off your child and pick them up however, unless I have arranged with you prior to the lesson, please do not stay parked on my drive for the whole duration as I have to be considerate to my neighbors and respect their rights of access as well as their privacy.

#### cancellation and payment policy.

I need 24 hours notice of a cancellation, otherwise I will charge you for your full lesson fee. If you continue to successively cancel lessons, regardless of advance notification, I may fill your allocated time slot if it is needed by someone else. Payment should be made to me on the day of the lesson, regardless whether you are paying by bank transfer or cash.