



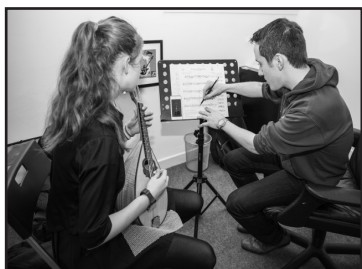
Here at JT Music, we currently have 23 teachers (as of December 2016) who teach various instruments, including piano, keyboard, guitar, ukulele, violin, drums, saxophone and clarinet, as well as individual singing and theory classes. Having such a number of teachers is really advantageous. It means we have a diverse group of individuals all with their own music preferences, personalities and general interests.



Teacher-pupil rapport is a vital element of lessons and it's something that can't be forced. To create the best learning environment for our pupils, we do our best to find them a teacher most suited to their personalities and interests. We try to learn a bit about each new prospective pupil and take this into consideration when placing them with a teacher. This way we can find a teacher with whom the pupil will connect. After all, we want our pupils to learn in a comfortable and friendly environment where they can grow as an individual as well as a musician.

Our pupils are our priority at JT Music. After every lesson, teachers update the pupil's

progress. This acts as a resource to use when updating parents on how their children are getting on.



We pride ourselves on delivering a high standard of teaching. All our teachers have varying working grades and continue to develop their own music knowledge and skills through personal development plans. Each teacher will therefore teach up to a set Grade and all teachers are regularly assessed. Due to the mentoring/supervision structure we have in place, we can ensure that we all teach under the same guidance, this delivering an equally high standard of tuition across the board.

Music is so much more than an exam result. Not all children learn in the same way, so why teach them in the same way?



We follow similar lesson outlines to make sure all pupils learn everything

they need to know, but the way this is delivered varies with every single child. Our goal is for all our pupils to love their lessons/music. We're determined to prove that piano lessons don't have to be boring! Some children are very result driven and work best with more formal lessons focused around exam syllabuses. Others will only want to learn music they recognise to build up their confidence. We teach a range of music genres from Classical to Disney and everything in-between! No matter what approach we adopt for a pupil, they all receive a high standard of teaching and are taught properly.

However exams can be beneficial especially in the higher grades where from Grade 6 upwards, pupils can earn UCAS points for passing exams.

At JT Music, we are a team. Any new resources created by teachers are shared amongst all of us. This includes ideas for new games, worksheets, lesson structures and much more. We also take the time to share



other teachers' lessons to pick up any new ideas or teaching approaches that we might not have thought of ourselves. This way, no matter what teacher a pupil has, they will receive the best resources and materials. These sharing methods allow us to constantly update the way we teach to make sure we give our pupils the best possible

experience.

We have used the internet to our advantage to create new ways to help our pupils. We now have a YouTube Channel, where we upload recordings of our pupils performing once they have completed a piece they're particularly proud of. This is a great resource for pupils to listen to each other, gain inspiration/encouragement and discover new music they may also like to learn.



We keep our pupils motivated but having homework challenges and a 'Star of the Month'. We notice these measures really help keep pupils focused and engaged as they constantly have something to aim for.

Each year we give our pupils an opportunity to participate in our annual concert, being held this year in the theatre at Strathaven Town Mill. **We will be running a Music Theatre Workshop from 10-15 and 17-21 July (9am-3pm each day) with the performance itself on 22 July.** This has proven in the past to be extremely beneficial for their overall confidence. It's also lovely to have a night to showcase our students' talent where all their families can come and watch.

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