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Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Whole Class Ensemble Tuition – Ukulele, Autumn 1

We have arranged for a specialist teacher from BEAT (Barnet Arts Education Trust) to come into school this term to teach Year 5 to play the ukulele. It is a great instrument to play in Year 5 as the children already have an understanding of the fundamentals of rhythm and pulse. With the ukulele, they can further develop their musical abilities with the experience of playing a stringed instrument – learning how to handle and hold the ukulele correctly, plucking strings clearly, strumming chords and performing tunes as a whole group, in parts and playing solos. It is an amazing opportunity for the children and the quality of teaching is extremely high.

While we want to maintain this opportunity for the children, our funding has become such that we need to ask for parental donations towards these lessons, for your children. We are suggesting a donation of £15 for the term, which works out at £1.50 per lesson for ten lessons. This amount will be set up on Arbor (this payment can be found in the trips section) for you, in two payments of £7.50; we appreciate any financial support you can offer.

Many thanks

Yours sincerely

Mrs. Goldhill
Music Coordinator