

Suzuki String Group Friends

We have an active Friends group whose members provide practical help in assisting to organise workshops, concerts and other activities. Parents of all registered children are eligible to join the Friends.

Fees

Beginners	£16.50 per term
Main Group	£33.00 per term
Sibling Discount	2nd Child 50%
	3rd and subsequent children FREE

New for 2019/20

Join one of our music centre groups and get your Suzuki workshop subscription FREE!

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Suzuki String Group

2019 - 2020



Director: Felicity Harrison

Venue: Kenilworth School, Upper School, Leyes Lane, CV8 2DA

Workshop Dates

Arrival 9:45 Start 10:00

Autumn	Spring	Summer
21st September 2019*	25th January 2020	25th April 2020
19th October 2019	29th February 2020	16th May 2020
16th November 2019	21st March 2020	
14th December 2019		

* not beginners

What is Suzuki?

The Suzuki Method was developed in Japan by Dr. Suzuki and has been successfully adapted by teachers worldwide.

Dr. Suzuki believed that every child has a musical talent which will flourish given the right environment.

Parents, working closely with the teacher, teach their children to play the violin in the same way they taught them how to speak:

- ◆ With constant encouragement
- ◆ Constant listening
- ◆ Constant repetition

Children are usually ready to start lessons between the ages 4 - 7. Violins are available to suit even the smallest child.

Group Playing

Saturday morning workshops are an integral part of the Suzuki method and must be attended.

It builds on the work done in lessons and in practice at home.

Children enjoy playing together and hearing more advanced pieces being played. This motivates them to further practice and provides performance opportunities from the very beginning.

In their first year of learning children will be invited to observe a main group workshop. Swallows (beginners) start workshops in October but are welcome to come and observe the September play together at 11:20.

Dates of all group events are given overleaf.

Parental Involvement

You do not require a musical background to be a good 'Suzuki' parent.

It is, however, a considerable commitment and you do need patience, dedication and time to help your child if the method is to be successful.

You will need to attend every lesson with your child, listen, watch carefully and make notes.

Practice

The teacher will explain what to do and how you should practise at home. You will help your child with their daily practice, paying attention to the instructions given in the lesson.

Practise only five or ten minutes daily at first, increasing as the child progresses. Do ensure to make a regular time for practice.

Listening

You and your child should listen daily to a recording of the music the child is learning. This is very important for the development of aural memory and sense of pitch.

Music Reading

Music reading is not introduced until the child has mastered the basic playing techniques and developed his/her musical memory. Then he/she will be taught to read music and be able to join an orchestra or a similar group as appropriate.