

### WHAT IS IT?

A hardship fund has been made available by Newport City Council to benefit pupils who are participating in Gwent Music tuition.

### WHO IS IT FOR?

The fund is available to students who are on the **Free School Meals register**. Other criteria will be considered such as good attendance at school, etc. Poor attendance at lessons may result in future applications being declined. The Head Teacher/Classroom Teacher must sign the application by way of agreeing to and approval. Confirmation of the FSM place will be obtained by Gwent Music staff via Education support staff.

### HOW MUCH CAN BE APPLIED FOR & WHEN DO I NEED TO APPLY?

Applications can be made up to a maximum of £100 per child per term and can be used towards Gwent Music lessons (individual tuition or school based) or attendance at a Music Centre where a termly fee is applicable. A balance payment may be required in the case of some types of tuition.

A new application is required per child per term.

### WHERE DO I SEND MY APPLICATION?

Forms need to be sent to Gwent Music HQ as soon as possible:

**Gwent Music, Malpas Court Primary School Grounds, Whittle Drive, Newport, NP20 6NS.**

Alternatively, completed forms, including signatures, can be scanned and e-mailed to [gwent.music@newport.gov.uk](mailto:gwent.music@newport.gov.uk)

### WHAT IF I AM UNSUCCESSFUL WITH MY APPLICATION

Applications will be granted on a first come first served basis and once the full fund has been allocated, there will be no further funding available within that financial year. Availability of the fund is subject to approval each new financial year by Newport City Council.

### WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

Information packs have been sent to all schools. If you require more information or an application form please contact Gwent Music on 01633 210800 or [gwent.music@newport.gov.uk](mailto:gwent.music@newport.gov.uk)

**Please make sure your application is fully completed and signed....incomplete applications will cause a delay in processing and approval of any funding.**

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