

## Guitar & Ukulele Lessons 2025 - 2026

# Welcome to Little Strummers!

We have been teaching children to play the guitar and ukulele in schools for over 16 years. In that time, we have taught more than 2,000 children to play!

### What will I learn?

Lessons are always fun! We cover all styles of playing and lessons are tailored closely to individual needs. We start with familiar songs to get used to playing, building a good level of confidence and technical skill. We then introduce music theory and learn to read music. We encourage ensembles and love concerts!

#### What instrument will I need?

Guitar – an instrument with nylon (plastic) strings.

Younger children (up to and including Y3) will need a  $\frac{1}{2}$  size classical guitar. For older children (Y4 to Y6), a  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  size is best, depending on how tall they are. Valencia, Jose Ferrer and Octopus are good starter makes and cost around £75.

**Ukulele** - an instrument with nylon (plastic) strings.

It is best to start with a soprano size instrument (the smallest and most popular). Octopus and Mahala make good starter ukuleles and cost around £25.

#### Do I need to get my own instrument?

No! Instruments can be hired on a termly basis - ukuleles are £6, guitars are £12. We can also supply new and second-hand guitars & ukuleles for purchase.

#### How can I help my child learn?

Encouragement, time, instrument, music stand and a place to practice! Every student has a lesson notebook which is updated each week. Please keep an eye on this to see how they are progressing. Please also feel free to write in the book and use it as another way to keep in touch with the teacher.

#### How much are lessons and how many are there?

Lessons are booked on a termly basis with 10 or 11 weeks per term. Shared and group lessons are £ 8.50 per student per week Individual lessons are £ 12.50 per student per week

The availability of shared or group lessons does depend on other children being interested in learning too, so cannot be guaranteed. We require a half term's written notice of cancellation of lessons.

#### How do I book my child in?

A booking form can be found on the school website – or please contact : Helen at <u>office@littlestrummers.co.uk</u> 07941-282311 or Maria: <u>maria@littlestrummers.co.uk</u> Thank you ©