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music education  
CWLC(5) FAME02  
Ymateb gan Jo Taylor / Evidence from Jo Taylor

My daughters both attend a Welsh secondary school in RCT. Even in one year the request for how much I pay per instrument per child has doubled to sixty pound a term for one instrument per child.

It was extremely useful to have lessons in school as due to all their extra curricula activities and both myself and hubby in full time work we run out of time slots. However, due to the stark increase in the amount I have had to decrease their lessons to one instrument.

This is a shame as there is a great deal of evidence to suggest that learning a musical instrument increases academic success and decrease mental health issues. In the long run I feel supporting music services in school is a very productive approach and money well spent.

Thanks

Jo Taylor