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'Valuing Everyone As Learners'

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Dear Parents/Carers,

On the morning of Thursday 3rd October, we are excited to announce that Rocksteady Music School, will be coming to Giffards to perform their launch day workshop for the KS1 and KS2 pupils. Following this, your child will have the opportunity to sign up for Rocksteady Band lessons every week. Rocksteady is the leading provider of in-school band lessons, partnering with thousands of primary schools, teaching tens of thousands of children every week.

The cost of lessons will be £42.79 a month (no cost in August) which includes;

- A 30 minute lesson every week for each band (9 children)
- Hire of the instrument, maintenance and replacement
- 3 annual live performances
- Access to all certificates
- Access to their online account which has weekly reports
- The instruments on offer are Drums, Keyboards, Guitar, Bass Guitar and Vocals.

The sessions are taught by highly trained full-time professional musicians and the children progress through a curriculum of up to 300 musicianship, performance and instrumental skills, whilst being able to achieve an exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Music qualification, accredited by Trinity College London. As well as this, each band performs a termly concert for family, teachers and friends.

All instruments for lessons are provided, and the 30 minute weekly band lessons will take place on a Wednesday afternoon between 1.00-3.30pm. There will be a timetable produced based on uptake, with the first 4 bands rotating on a weekly basis. For safeguarding reasons, the 5th band (3.00-3.30pm session) will be fixed so parents know their child will finish at 3.30pm each week. There is no minimum sign-up period.

No prior musical experience is necessary and lessons are completely inclusive for all pupils. The children in each band are able to give their band a name and choose and play songs they love. The benefits of being a Rocksteady band member focus on wellbeing, confidence, attainment, behaviour and teamwork.

Please help us to spread the word about this exciting opportunity by talking to your children about being in a Rockband!

Thank you for your cooperation and support,

Mrs Linard
(Music Subject Lead)

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