

Tonbridge Grammar School

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ENTRY FOR ASSOCIATED BOARD OF THE ROYAL SCHOOLS OF MUSIC GRADED EXAMINATIONS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Graded music examinations will be taking place at Tonbridge Grammar School on **Wednesday 25 May 2022 and Thursday 26 May 2022 if required** between 0900 and 1700 hours. If you would like to enter your child, please read the ABRSM COVID protocols below and complete the online entry form here: <https://forms.office.com/r/zrWg0BBt2s>

The entry form will be available from **Monday 7 March – Friday 25 March 2022**. Payments and forms must be received by noon on **Friday 25 March**. If the payment is not made by this date, the Board will not process entry without additional cost. Please ensure that payment has been made for the correct amount.

Payments can be made via ParentPay: entry fee + £5.00 administration and invigilation fee.

If the satisfactory progress of a student is not maintained, a guided choice may have to be made on your child's behalf by the instrumental teacher, which could result in their withdrawal from the examination. In this case, it would not be possible to recover any fees from the Board.

We will discuss if a professional accompanist is required for the exam. If so, you will need to pay the additional cost, currently in the region of **£30 for Grades 1-4, £41 for Grades 5/6, £56 for Grades 7/8**. Rehearsals with a pianist are available by negotiation with Mr Hayward, Subject Leader Music. The cost will be paid direct to the accompanist.

While it is not possible to guarantee a pass, chances will be improved by practising regularly and working sensibly and routinely on scales, sight reading and aural, as well as the set pieces. Aural CDs are available for loan from the TGS Music Department on a first-come-first served basis, or for purchase at all good music shops. For further information about ABRSM music exams, please check their website at www.abrsm.org

Timetabling will be directed by the availability of accompanists. Please note that any other timing necessities for exams now need to be added to the online form, to help with scheduling. **No requests will be possible after the deadline Friday 25 March 2022.**

Graded Exams

Grade	Practical	Grade	Practical
Grade 1	£48.00	Grade 5	£76.00
Grade 2	£55.00	Grade 6	£88.00 (requires Grade 5 Theory)
Grade 3	£64.00	Grade 7	£94.00 (requires Grade 5 Theory)
Grade 4	£69.00	Grade 8	£111.00 (requires Grade 5 Theory)

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ABRSM COVID Protocols

Please read the following protocols before completing the online ABRSM Examination form.

- Please note that in the event of a COVID outbreak, postponement of Tonbridge Grammar School ABRSM Examinations may be necessary. Exams will be re-scheduled for the soonest possible time.
- If a candidate is not able to attend following a positive COVID test or is required to self-isolate please note that a medical note will need to be sent to the ABRSM to re-schedule the examination.
- Candidates should adhere to the latest version of the student protocols on our school website. The current version of these can be found here:
<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/50c2031de4b02a7395e3e36f/t/61371cc56176130f04213ed9/1631001798044/Student+Protocols+Sept+2021+issue.pdf>
- The School will ensure that all arrangements comply with current ABRSM guidelines and will ensure adequate ventilation and cleaning of facilities: <https://gb.abrsm.org/en/exam-booking/private-visits/>

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Hayward

Subject Leader Music



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