



11 September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Would your child like to have clarinet lessons? We have an exciting opportunity for Year 7 students to have weekly lessons every term for free on the clarinet. Students will have the chance to learn the clarinet from scratch with an expert peripatetic teacher from Swindon Music Service in a half hour group lesson on a weekly basis. The intention is that students will be inspired to pursue learning the clarinet to a more advanced level or learn another orchestral instrument. The progression group is for students who have never played, as well as students who may have had some clarinet or other instrumental lessons in primary school. Students will also showcase their new skills by performing as a group in our annual school concerts.

This is an incredible opportunity as lessons are usually £19.50 for an individual half hour lesson. **Allocation of free lessons will be offered on a first come first served basis – there are only 10 places available.** Please contact myself (Mrs Shannon - Music department) using the email address novamusicenquiries@novahreodacademy.org.uk to express interest.

Please be aware that:

Students who sign up for clarinet lessons are committing to learning the instrument for the whole year as we are subsidising the lessons. Students will not be able to stop halfway through the year. After the year, there is no expectation for students to continue if they do not want to.

Emails will need to be sent by **Monday 21st September 9am** to ensure a spot is allocated for the following week. Lessons will take place on Tuesday mornings for half an hour where students will be expected to leave their normal timetabled lesson to join their clarinet lesson in the GA wing (Music).

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eleonore Shannon

Head of Music Faculty