

Junior Tuition Plan

Regular lessons are provided by way of an ongoing tuition plan that delivers lessons to students at a discounted rate in a reserved regular slot.

The Junior Tuition Plan delivers 36 x 40 minute lessons over the course of each year in a reserved weekly slot during term time. This tuition plan is designed to sit alongside and complement the existing school week, providing the routine and regular contact essential for making good progress.

Lesson Scheduling

- Weekly 40 minute lessons during term time
- Reserved after school lesson slots Mon-Thur
- Lessons ordinarily take place in person in the teaching studio
- Where appropriate, online lessons are available over Zoom

Term Dates¹

- Each academic year is divided into six terms
- Term dates scheduled to coincide with local school calendars
- 36 reserved lesson slots scheduled over the course of each year

Contract & Cancellations²

- Individual lessons can be deferred by providing 48 hours' advance notice
- Deferred lessons can be rescheduled to any available slot within the next 60 days
- A maximum of 2 deferred lessons can be accumulated at any one point in time
- Tuition can be discontinued at any time by providing 60 days' advance notice

Tuition Fees

- £28 per lesson
- Regular payments in advance by monthly £84 standing order²

1. See Junior Term Dates for current year teaching dates.
2. See Terms & Conditions for full details.

2025/26 Term Dates

Term/ Lesson	Weekly Lesson Dates					Payment Dates	
	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thur	Fri		
1	1	8 Sep	9 Sep	10 Sep	11 Sep	12 Sep	1 Aug
	2	15 Sep	16 Sep	17 Sep	18 Sep	19 Sep	
	3	22 Sep	23 Sep	24 Sep	25 Sep	26 Sep	
	4	29 Sep	30 Sep	1 Oct	2 Oct	3 Oct	1 Sept
	5	6 Oct	7 Oct	8 Oct	9 Oct	10 Oct	
	6	13 Oct	14 Oct	15 Oct	16 Oct	17 Oct	
	7	20 Oct	21 Oct	22 Oct	23 Oct	24 Oct	
Deferrals		27 Oct	28 Oct	29 Oct	30 Oct	31 Oct	
2	8	3 Nov	4 Nov	5 Nov	6 Nov	7 Nov	1 Oct
	9	10 Nov	11 Nov	12 Nov	13 Nov	14 Nov	
	10	17 Nov	18 Nov	19 Nov	20 Nov	21 Nov	1 Nov
	11	24 Nov	25 Nov	26 Nov	27 Nov	28 Nov	
	12	1 Dec	2 Dec	3 Dec	4 Dec	5 Dec	
	13	8 Dec	9 Dec	10 Dec	11 Dec	12 Dec	
Deferrals		15 Dec	16 Dec	17 Dec	18 Dec	19 Dec	
Xmas Hol. (closed)		22 Dec	23 Dec	24 Dec	25 Dec	26 Dec	
		29 Dec	30 Dec	31 Dec	1 Jan	2 Jan	
3	14	5 Jan	6 Jan	7 Jan	8 Jan	9 Jan	1 Dec
	15	12 Jan	13 Jan	14 Jan	15 Jan	16 Jan	
	16	19 Jan	20 Jan	21 Jan	22 Jan	23 Jan	1 Jan
	17	26 Jan	27 Jan	28 Jan	29 Jan	30 Jan	
	18	2 Feb	3 Feb	4 Feb	5 Feb	6 Feb	
	19	9 Feb	10 Feb	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb	
Deferrals		16 Feb	17 Feb	18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb	

To defer any lesson, a full 48 hours' notice is required in advance of the lesson start time.
Deferred lessons can be rescheduled during the holiday weeks identified in the calendar.

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Term/ Lesson		Weekly Lesson Dates					Payment Mapping
		Mon	Tues	Weds	Thur	Fri	
4	20	23 Feb	24 Feb	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb	1 Feb
	21	2 Mar	3 Mar	4 Mar	5 Mar	6 Mar	
	22	9 Mar	10 Mar	11 Mar	12 Mar	13 Mar	1 Mar
	23	16 Mar	17 Mar	18 Mar	19 Mar	20 Mar	
	24	23 Mar	24 Mar	25 Mar	26 Mar	27 Mar	
Deferrals		30 Mar	31 Mar	1 Apr	2 Apr	3 Apr	
		6 Apr	7 Apr	8 Apr	9 Apr	10 Apr	
5	25	13 Apr	14 Apr	15 Apr	16 Apr	17 Apr	1 Apr
	26	20 Apr	21 Apr	22 Apr	23 Apr	24 Apr	
	27	27 Apr	28 Apr	29 Apr	30 Apr	1 May	
	28	4 May	5 May	6 May	7 May	8 May	1 May
	29	11 May	12 May	13 May	14 May	15 May	
	30	18 May	19 May	20 May	21 May	22 May	
Deferrals		25 May	26 May	27 May	28 May	29 May	
6	31	1 Jun	2 Jun	3 Jun	4 Jun	5 Jun	1 Jun
	32	8 Jun	9 Jun	10 Jun	11 Jun	12 Jun	
	33	15 Jun	16 Jun	17 Jun	18 Jun	19 Jun	
	34	22 Jun	23 Jun	24 Jun	25 Jun	26 Jun	1 Jul
	35	29 Jun	30 Jun	1 Jul	2 Jul	3 Jul	
	36	6 Jul	7 Jul	8 Jul	9 Jul	10 Jul	
Deferrals		13 Jul	14 Jul	15 Jul	16 Jul	17 Jul	
		20 Jul	21 Jul	22 Jul	23 Jul	24 Jul	
Summer Hol. (closed)		27 Jul	28 Jul	29 Jul	30 Jul	31 Jul	
		3 Aug	4 Aug	5 Aug	6 Aug	7 Aug	
		10 Aug	11 Aug	12 Aug	13 Aug	14 Aug	
Deferrals		17 Aug	18 Aug	19 Aug	20 Aug	21 Aug	
		24 Aug	25 Aug	26 Aug	27 Aug	28 Aug	
		31 Aug	1 Sep	2 Sep	3 Sep	4 Sep	

Terms & Conditions (Junior Tuition Plan)

1. Purpose

- (a) This document applies to all services delivered by The Guitar Coach to provide music tuition under the Junior Tuition Plan.
- (b) By entering into an agreement to receive tuition under the Junior Tuition Plan, The Student agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions described herein.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, there is nothing that restricts a person of any age from receiving tuition under the Junior Tuition Plan.

2. Definitions

- (a) 'The Guitar Coach' refers to Justin Dowling trading as The Guitar Coach for the purpose of providing music tuition services.
- (b) 'Teaching Studio' refers to the location at which The Guitar Coach provides music tuition services (current address provided in 12(c)).
- (c) 'The Student' refers to the person named in the Student Details section of the Lesson Contract and, where different, includes the person named in the Signatory Details on the Lesson Contract.
- (d) 'Contract Offer' refers to an offer from The Guitar Coach to The Student to provide music tuition services.
- (e) 'Lesson Contract' refers to the completed Instrumental Lesson Contract or any other documentation submitted by The Student to The Guitar Coach that demonstrates a clear indication to accept the Contract Offer.
- (f) 'Junior Tuition Plan' is a marketing label that describes the terms and details of a specific agreement under which tuition is provided.
- (g) 'Academic Year' refers to a period of 12 calendar months that commences annually on 1st August.
- (h) 'Term Dates Document' refers to an annual calendar of dates on which lessons are to be scheduled for each Academic Year.
- (i) 'Deferred Lesson' refers to any scheduled lesson cancelled by The Student that is eligible for rescheduling at a later date.
- (j) 'Missed Lesson' refers to any scheduled lesson cancelled by The Student that is not eligible for rescheduling at a later date.

3. Lesson Scheduling

- (a) The Term Dates Document for the current Academic Year is issued to The Student together with the Contract Offer.
- (b) For subsequent Academic Years, the Term Dates Document is to be issued to The Student in advance by 31st May each year.
- (c) All lessons are to take place at the Teaching Studio unless otherwise agreed.
- (d) Each Academic Year comprises six terms of tuition, with each term separated by non-teaching holiday periods.
- (e) Term dates are scheduled to approximately coincide with the term and holiday dates published by schools in the local area.
- (f) Lessons are scheduled on a weekly basis during term time in a reserved regularly scheduled slot for an agreed day and time.
- (g) A total of 36 lessons, each of 40 minutes duration, are to be scheduled over the course of each Academic Year.
- (h) An average of 6 lessons are to be scheduled each term, but the exact number will vary from term to term.

4. Tuition Fees

- (a) Tuition fees represent both the provision of tuition by The Guitar Coach and the reservation of a regularly scheduled lesson slot for an agreed day and time, at the request of and for the singular benefit of The Student.
- (b) The rate at which tuition fees are payable at the outset of the agreement are detailed in the Contract Offer.
- (c) Tuition fees are reviewed annually with any changes effective from the start of the new Academic Year. The Student shall receive advance notification of any impending changes to tuition fees no later than 31st May in advance of the start of each Academic Year.
- (d) Unless agreed otherwise, regular tuition fees are to be paid by a standing order payment on the 1st banking day of each month.
- (e) Each monthly standing order payment equates to exactly 3 lessons with the first payment of each Academic Year due 1st August.
- (f) The first and last payments due under the terms of this agreement will be adjusted if necessary to ensure that the total fees to be paid by The Student for that Academic Year correspond exactly with the number of lessons scheduled.
- (g) The Guitar Coach is not authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority to offer credit and any tuition fees paid by monthly standing order are not to be confused with an offer for The Guitar Coach to provide credit to The Student.

5. Cancellations and Absences

- (a) Where The Student is unable to attend any scheduled lesson and notice is received by The Guitar Coach more than 48 hours in advance of the scheduled lesson start time, it will be deemed a Deferred Lesson.
- (b) Where The Student fails to attend any scheduled lesson and notice has not been received by The Guitar Coach a minimum of 48 hours in advance of the scheduled lesson start time, it will be deemed a Missed Lesson.
- (c) In the event that physical injury ever temporarily precludes The Student from playing a musical instrument, The Student should still seek to attend lessons. Many lesson activities can be conducted without The Student needing to play a musical instrument.
- (d) In the event of snow or other extreme weather that prevents The Student from being able to attend any in-person lesson, the lesson will be conducted in an online setting using a video conferencing facility.
- (e) In the event that The Guitar Coach is unavailable to deliver any scheduled lesson, it will be rescheduled to a time mutually agreeable with The Student. If this is not possible, a refund will be issued at the current lesson fee.

6. Punctuality

- (a) The Guitar Coach cannot extend any lesson beyond the scheduled finish time to compensate in the event that The Student is not available, ready and prepared to commence the lesson at the scheduled time.
- (b) For in-person lessons, The Student is encouraged to arrive up to a maximum of five minutes prior to the scheduled start time for each lesson in order to be ready and prepared to start each lesson at the time agreed.
- (c) Where lessons are conducted in an online setting, The Student is encouraged to check all relevant settings immediately prior to each lesson to ensure that all necessary equipment and connections are operating to the satisfaction of The Student.

7. Deferred Lessons

- (a) Deferred Lessons can be rescheduled by The Student to take place during any available lesson slot for a period of 60 days following the date of the original lesson.
- (b) Deferred lessons cannot be rescheduled to take place at the time and in place of any regularly scheduled lesson for The Student.
- (c) Any Deferred Lesson that remains outstanding 60 days after the date of the original lesson will be deemed a Missed Lesson.
- (d) A maximum of two outstanding Deferred Lessons can be accumulated at any one time. In the event that The Student defers any lesson whilst two Deferred Lessons remain outstanding, the earliest of the three dates will instead be deemed a Missed Lesson.

8. Missed Lessons

- (a) The Guitar Coach is unable to reschedule or refund any lessons deemed to be Missed Lessons.
- (b) All Missed Lessons must be paid for in full at the current lesson fee.

9. Cooling-Off Period

- (a) The Student has a statutory right to cancel this contract without providing any reason during an initial Cooling-Off Period.
- (b) The Cooling-Off Period expires 14 days after the signed Lesson Contract is received by The Guitar Coach.
- (c) The Student can exercise the right to cancel the agreement during the Cooling-Off Period by providing written notice to The Guitar Coach using the contact information provided in 12(b).
- (d) In the event that The Student exercises the right to cancel the agreement during the Cooling-Off Period, The Student shall receive a pro rata refund for all monies paid in respect of the contract for which tuition has not yet been provided.

10. Termination

- (a) This agreement continues on an ongoing basis and has no fixed end date.
- (b) The Student can terminate this agreement by providing 60 days' written notice using the contact information provided in 12(b).
- (c) The Student remains liable to pay for all lessons previously scheduled under the terms of this agreement for the 60 day period following the date on which The Guitar Coach receives written notice of The Student's intention to discontinue tuition.

11. Student Obligations

The Student agrees:

- (a) to pay for the reasonable cost of any replacement strings required by The Student and provided by The Guitar Coach.
- (b) to be responsible for any loss or damage incurred to any equipment, instrument, accessory or music loaned by The Guitar Coach to The Student. Such items must be immediately returned upon request.
- (c) not to share or duplicate any educational resource of any kind that has been provided by The Guitar Coach. This includes but is not limited to any and all instructional material, notated music, chord charts, guitar tablature, fretboard diagrams, chord boxes and lyric sheets, and includes items provided in physical and digital formats including any files downloaded from www.theguitarcoach.uk or shared through links to internet cloud storage or file-sharing platforms.
- (d) not to share, publish or broadcast in any way any audio or video content that has been provided by The Guitar Coach or recorded during lessons. The Guitar Coach retains the copyright to any recordings made during lessons, both those held in person and those conducted using Zoom, Skype, FaceTime or any other video conferencing facility.
- (e) to be responsible for the insurance of The Student's instrument.
- (f) to inform The Guitar Coach of any medical or other condition that may affect The Student's well-being during lessons.

12. General

- (a) The Guitar Coach reserves the right:
 - (ii) to withdraw tuition services at any time by providing written notice to The Student and issuing a pro rata refund for any monies paid for which tuition has not been provided.
 - (iii) to vary these Terms & Conditions at any time by providing The Student with 60 days' written notice in advance of any changes.
- (b) Any notice to cancel or terminate this agreement should be addressed to The Guitar Coach and sent by email to justin@theguitarcoach.uk or otherwise delivered by hand or by mail to the current Teaching Studio address.
- (c) The current address of the Teaching Studio is 32 Grange Avenue, Bawtry, Doncaster, DN10 6NS, UK.