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Dear Headteacher / Head of Music

The Leeds Music Education Partnership (the music education hub for Leeds) has funding to offer bursaries to assist children who are entitled to free school meals on grounds of income to have small group instrumental or vocal lessons in school. This offer does not cover the universal provision of free school meals for KS1 children.

Some schools pass on the cost of tuition in small groups to families, and where this happens LMEP is keen to ensure that no child is excluded because of their inability to pay. We are able to make bursary funds available to cover costs that would otherwise be charged to families of up to £100 for the year. This excludes whole class or wider opportunities teaching schemes, large ensembles and choirs.

Please find the enclosed application form for the scheme. As we anticipate a high demand for bursaries, we are restricting the amount of bursaries to 20 per school, up to a maximum total of £2000 in the first instance, although we may be able to extend the offer if demand allows.

Please complete the form and return to Aretha Suen in the ArtForms office by October half term. We will then credit your school budget up to £100 for each named pupil who is expected to be receiving lessons throughout the 2015/16 academic year. The amount claimed should be the same as the charge to the student.

Please attach a photocopy of the instrumental/vocal teacher's register to support your application.

Yours sincerely



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