

**Leeds
Music
Education
Partnership**

Offer for Schools 2023-2024

LMEP: The Music Education Hub for Leeds

Support, discounts, cashback, bursaries and entitlements for schools in Leeds

Hub Lead Partner: ArtForms

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Introduction

Leeds Music Education Partnership (LMEP) is the music education hub for Leeds. Along with our partners, we support music learning in all maintained schools, free schools and academies in Leeds, and enhance out-of-hours music making across the city.

LMEP ensures that the DfE/Arts Council England funding which our city receives underpins the core and extension roles outlined in the [National Plan for Music 2012](#):

- All children and young people have the opportunity to take part in and make progress in musical activity regardless of background
- CPD is made available to ensure that all teachers and practitioners are able to provide high quality music provision in, after and beyond school
- Committed and focussed leadership develops productive local partnerships to deliver high quality music education with consistency of provision and equality of opportunity for all children and young people

In June 2022, the Department for Education and Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport published a refreshed National Plan for music, [The power of music to change lives: a national plan for music education](#) which will be phased in from 2024.

All Music Education Hubs engage with school leaders working with them to implement their own School Music Education Plan (SMEP) and assisting those schools undertaking Artsmark. As the lead partner for LMEP, ArtForms is always happy to talk with schools.

Contact us

Get in touch with LMEP by emailing LMEP.ArtForms@leeds.gov.uk or via the ArtForms office on 0113 378 2850

Please click [here](#) for further information about LMEP.

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Section A -Cashback

Offers for the academic year September 2023 to July 2024 to support annual contracted weekly provision in Leeds schools and academies.

Apply by October 20th 2023 - cashback payments made by the end of Term 1

All applications must be accompanied by evidence of purchase

Whole class instrumental and vocal learning subsidies

Schools buying weekly whole class instrumental or vocal learning delivered by any LMEP partner can apply for up to 50% cashback on the purchase price. In addition, 100% cashback is available for schools needing to hire full class sets of instruments from ArtForms to go with whole class instrumental learning delivered by any LMEP partner.

Large and small group instrumental and vocal tuition subsidies

Schools buying weekly small group instrumental or vocal tuition, or large group instrumental tuition delivered by any LMEP partner can apply for up to 20% cashback on the purchase price

National Curriculum teaching

Schools buying in weekly National Curriculum teaching delivered by any LMEP partner which incorporates whole class instrumental or vocal tuition can apply for up to 20% cashback on the purchase price.

SILCs and Resourced provision

Up to 50% cashback is available for music teaching and activities delivered by any LMEP partner for children with additional needs.

Music enhancement

20% cashback is available for schools buying support from any LMEP partner for vocal or instrumental ensemble directors.

Section B - Small Group Instrumental or Vocal Bursaries

Offer for the academic year September 2023 to July 2024 to support annual contracted weekly provision delivered by any provider

Apply by 20th October 2023—cashback payments made by the end of Term 1

All applications must be accompanied by:

- evidence of services purchased
- evidence of charges made to families
- instrumental or vocal teacher's register
- evidence of student's free school meal status

This offer assists children whose school passes on the cost of small group instrumental or vocal lessons to them, to be able to afford the tuition. It is available to support children who are entitled to free school meals on grounds of income but does not cover the universal provision of free school meals for KS1 children.

LMEP is keen to ensure that no child is excluded from learning to play an instrument because of their inability to pay. LMEP therefore makes bursary funds available to support costs that are charged by schools to families up to a **maximum of £100 for the year**.

When applying, schools must state the amount they charge parents for the tuition for the year.

Schools who choose not to pass on the costs of tuition to families may also apply for bursaries to support their outlay for children with free school meal entitlement.

To reflect need across the city, bursaries are awarded in proportion to the number of children eligible for FSM at each school.

The bursary offer is limited to small group instrumental or vocal teaching and is not available for children participating in whole class instrumental or vocal learning, large ensembles, or choirs.

Tuition may be supplied by any contracted provider and is not restricted to LMEP partners.

There is a fixed budget to support the bursary scheme and it is not possible to tell schools in advance how many bursaries they will receive.

Section C – Funding offers

Available to all eligible schools on an ongoing basis—apply at any time

Innovative activity grants

Grants of up to £500 are available for schools to introduce additional activity for their pupils. Music must be the focus, but projects may include other subjects and school priorities. Schools may work with external providers and are expected to combine their LMEP grant with other sources of funding. All applications need to identify outcomes and legacy.

Joint applications from groups of schools are encouraged; in such cases grants may be pooled. Schools cannot use the money to subsidise the cost of providing weekly instrumental or vocal tuition, whole school or key stage singing, National Curriculum music teaching, or any other LMEP-subsidised offer. For further details contact LMEP.artforms@leeds.gov.uk

Artsmark subsidies

LMEP gives subsidies for those schools starting their Artsmark journey, where music is identified as a significant part of their focus for development. Please contact us for more information by email to LMEP.artforms@leeds.gov.uk

Live Music in Schools (interactive performances by professional musicians)

LMEP has a pool of performing musicians, encompassing a range of musical styles and genres, who can be booked by schools to give interactive, educational performances for pupils at all key stages. This scheme is offered at a heavily subsidised rate so **schools cannot use an LMEP innovative activity grant to pay for their booking**. For details, and Live Music in Schools application form, go to [Live Music in Schools – Artforms Leeds](#) or www.artformsleeds.co.uk

Bespoke SEND programmes

A range of subsidies is available for inclusive music provision supplied to SILCS and resourced Provision. Specialist CPD opportunities are also available.

Schools should enquire directly to educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk for further information.

Gifted and talented scholarships

Scholarships of up to £500 are available to help Leeds' most advanced young musicians realise their full potential. Pupils should be nominated by their school who should email LMEP.artforms@leeds.gov.uk outlining what the young musician would like support for. Emails should include a personal statement from the young person, a rationale for the application from their parent/guardian, and a statement from the instrumental teacher where relevant. Payments for applications granted will be made to schools who should then pass the award on to the recipient.

Section D- Free offers available to all eligible schools

Ongoing throughout the year

Subscriptions to Charanga, Sing Up, Sparkyard and Musical Futures

LMEP has a limited number of licences, worth up to £395, available for both primary and secondary schools wishing to use the Charanga online curriculum support tools, Sing Up, Musical Futures or Sparkyard by Out of the Ark. Licences are available on a first come first served basis. Priority will be given to schools who access LMEP CPD via Music Connect. Enquire to LMEP.artforms@leeds.gov.uk for further information.

CPD

Music Connect is LMEP's free CPD programme for primary and secondary school staff. Music Connect offers two strands of training: (a) for Primary and Secondary Music Leaders and (b) courses available for all staff as appropriate.

Schools should enquire to LMEP.artforms@leeds.gov.uk for further information on both strands. Information about upcoming courses is also available on www.artformsleeds.co.uk and www.leedsforlearning.co.uk

LMEP contributes financial and professional support to LCC's Children and Families Directorate Learning Improvement SLDM programme and collaborates with its annual conference. Details are available on www.leedsforlearning.co.uk

SMEP consultation and support

LMEP offers all schools an initial one-hour consultation free of charge, to explore with senior leaders and music staff as appropriate, strategies for using music to enhance your current school agendas and key priorities.

Please contact LMEP.artforms@leeds.gov.uk or phone 0113 3782850 to book.

Section E- Terms and Conditions

- All LMEP subsidies, grants and cashback schemes are designed to help schools to increase engagement in music. **All schools are required by the Arts Council to complete an LMEP Annual Data Return. Schools in receipt of LMEP funding who fail to complete their Data Return may be re-charged in full.**
- It is expected that schools will ring-fence LMEP cashback and savings made to spend on further music activity.
- LMEP asks schools each year to demonstrate the impact that receiving subsidies has made on the musical life of the school, and how this has contributed to the vision of Leeds' Children and Young People's Plan.
- Where Section A weekly delivery is supplied by any LMEP partner other than ArtForms, the application must be accompanied by a copy of the provider contract.
- Where payments are made for Section A provision, LMEP will re-claim all or part of such payments should the contracted provision cease or alter mid-year.
- Schools in receipt of Section B Bursaries may be asked to submit an impact assessment report.
- For Section C Innovative Activity grants, any funding awarded must be used in accordance with, and exclusively for the activity in the application.
- All Section C Innovative Activity grant applications are subject to approval by LMEP's Activity sub-committee.
- Should any significant changes to the innovative activity arise, or should intended outcomes take a different direction, schools must contact LMEP immediately to discuss the situation.
- Schools undertaking innovative activity will be required to submit an end of activity report which will include accurate and up to date accounts and records (including invoices, bank statements, payroll records) that show how the funding has been used. Schools should notify LMEP at the earliest opportunity if any underspend in relation to the amount of funding awarded and the work done occurs. We will consider requests to utilise any underspend in other areas so long as it is in line with the original aims.
- Evidence that Gifted and Talented Scholarship awards have subsequently been used for the stated purpose will be required. We will consider requests to utilise the money differently should the original intention be unachievable.