



*Partners of the new West Yorkshire music hub*

# Offer for Leeds Schools

## 2024-2025

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



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## Introduction

Leeds Music Education Partnership (LMEP) has been the music education hub for Leeds for over 10 years, with ArtForms as its lead partner. From September 2024, LMEP will no longer exist and Artforms will work with the new West Yorkshire hub to continue to support music provision for children and young people in Leeds.

The new West Yorkshire hub will ensure that the DfE and Arts Council England funding is used in accordance with the requirements of the new National Plan 2023.

The **National Plan for Music Education** sets out three aims for Music Hubs:

1. To support schools and other education settings to deliver high-quality music education
2. To support young people to further develop their musical interests and talent, including into employment
3. To support all children and young people to engage with a range of musical opportunities in and out of school

The National Plan also outlines five strategic functions for Music Hubs to deliver on together with their partners: [Partnerships, Schools, Progression and musical development, Inclusion and sustainability.](#)

All music hubs engage with school leaders, working with them to implement their own School Music Development Plan (SMDP) which is a requirement of the new National Plan, and assisting those schools undertaking Artsmark.

**The ArtForms offer can no longer support cashback applications made by schools who have provision by a previous LMEP partners other than ArtForms.**

## Contact us

For further information, you can get in touch with us at [Educ.Artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:Educ.Artforms@leeds.gov.uk) or via the ArtForms office on 0113 378 2850

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Hub support available for maintained, free schools and academies. All funding streams are limited and not guaranteed.

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**Available only with contracted weekly delivery by ArtForms, for the academic year September 2024 to July 2025**

- Whole class instrumental and vocal learning cashback
- Large and small group tuition cashback
- National Curriculum teaching cashback
- SILCs and Resourced Provision cashback
- Music enhancement (vocal and instrumental ensemble directors)

## Section B - Bursaries

**Available irrespective of delivery provider for the academic year September 2023 to July 2024**

- Bursaries for music tuition for pupils receiving free school meals via pupil premium

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## Section A -Cashback

These offers are for the academic year September 2024 to July 2025 to support annual contracted weekly provision in Leeds schools and academies provided by ArtForms only.

*Apply by October 20<sup>th</sup> 2024 - cashback payments made in either the spring or summer term\**

### **Whole class instrumental and vocal learning subsidies**

Schools buying weekly whole class instrumental or vocal learning delivered by ArtForms 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.

### **Large and small group instrumental and vocal tuition subsidies**

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

### **National Curriculum teaching**

Schools buying in weekly National Curriculum teaching delivered by ArtForms 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 ArtForms for children with additional needs.

### **Music enhancement**

20% cashback is available for schools buying support from for vocal or instrumental ensemble directors delivered by ArtForms.

\* Maintained schools will be paid in the spring term (February half term) and Academies will be paid in the summer term.

## Section B - Small Group Instrumental or Vocal Bursaries

This offer is for the academic year September 2024 to July 2025 to support annual contracted weekly provision delivered by any provider.

*Apply by 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024—cashback payments made in either the spring or summer term. \**

### **All applications must be accompanied by:**

- evidence of services purchased
- evidence of charges made to families
- Name of instrumental or vocal teacher including contact details
- 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.

ArtForms is keen to ensure that no child is excluded from learning to play an instrument because of their inability to pay. Therefore, ArtForms 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 ArtForms or its local 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 or what the amount will be.**

\* Maintained schools will be paid in the spring term (by February Half term) and Academies will be paid in the summer term.

## Section C – Funding offers

These offers are available to all eligible schools on an ongoing basis, and you may apply at any time. Funding is limited for each strand and therefore not guaranteed. Please email [educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk) if you require any further information about these funding offers.

### Music enrichment grants

Grants of up to £500 are available for schools to introduce additional music activity for their pupils, in addition to the national curriculum requirement. Music must be the focus, but school projects may include other subjects. Schools may work with external providers and are expected to combine their grant with other sources of funding. All applications need to clearly identify outcomes and legacy and include evidence of services purchased. Examples of successful funding bids include music workshops, theatre or live music events outside school, and support for transport costs to access music activity.

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 ArtForms subsidised offer.

### Artsmark subsidies

ArtForms supports schools that are starting their Artsmark journey, where music is identified as a significant part of their focus for development and can subsidise music-based activities. For more information about how you can access this funding, please contact [educ.Artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:educ.Artforms@leeds.gov.uk)

### Live Music in Schools (interactive performances by professional musicians)

ArtForms 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. ArtForms has collaborated once again in 2024/5 with the Leeds International Concert Season to bring a wider range of performers. This scheme is offered at a heavily subsidised rate so **schools cannot use the music enrichment 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](http://www.artformsleeds.co.uk)

### Gifted and talented scholarships

Scholarships of up to £500 are available to help Leeds' most advanced young musicians realise their full potential. Suitable scholarships may include support with individual tuition or an ensemble group, or instrument purchase. Pupils should be nominated by their school who should email [educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:educ.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 for all eligible schools

These offers are available throughout the year, however funding is limited.

### Free Digital subscriptions

ArtForms 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 Music Connect and complete their annual data form. Enquire at [educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk) for further information.

### CPD for teachers

Music Connect is the free CPD programme for primary and secondary school staff in Leeds. Music Connect offers two strands of training:

- Primary music leader
- Secondary music leaders

Both programmes offer free CPD per term and a free music conference.

Schools should enquire to [educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk) for further information on both strands. Information about upcoming courses is also available on [www.artformsleeds.co.uk](http://www.artformsleeds.co.uk) and [www.leedsforlearning.co.uk](http://www.leedsforlearning.co.uk)

### Curriculum review and support

ArtForms offers all eligible schools an initial one-hour consultation free of charge, to review your current music curriculum and support your school's development plan and key priorities.

Please contact [educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk) or phone 0113 3782850 to book.

## Section E- Terms and Conditions

- All subsidies, grants and cashback schemes are designed to help schools increase engagement in music. **All schools are required by the Arts Council to complete an Annual Data Return. Schools in receipt of funding who fail to complete their Data Return may be re-charged in full.**
- All funding streams are limited and ArtForms cannot guarantee each offer will be available after the funding has been used.
- It is expected that schools will ring-fence cashback and savings made to spend on further music activity.
- ArtForms 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 payments are made for Section A provision, ArtForms 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 music enhancement grants, any funding awarded must be used in accordance with, and exclusively for the activity in the application.
- All Section C music enhancement grant applications are subject to approval by the Artforms sub-committee.
- Should any significant changes to the music enhancement grant arise, or should intended outcomes take a different direction, schools must contact ArtForms immediately to discuss the situation.
- Schools undertaking music enhancement grant may 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 ArtForms 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, otherwise a full schools will be re-charged in full.