

# PRIVATE STUDENTS AGREEMENT FOR LESSONS IN PERSON

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**IMPORTANT: If we both agree that you can receive face-to-face lessons, you accept that such tuition will never be entirely free of risk of contracting COVID-19 but that I have made all efforts to assess risks accurately and to take steps to minimise risks where identified.**

<https://www.ism.org/advice/health-and-safety-guidance-for-private-music-teachers>

Health Considerations:

- Before making an appointment to attend a lesson in person, please consider whether you or anyone you live with could be at risk.
- Any student (or parent) who shows signs of COVID-19 symptoms or who has been asked to self-isolate by any government track and trace service must not attend a face-to-face lesson.

Travelling to lessons:

- If you are going to be travelling here via public transport, please discuss this with me before arranging a lesson in person, as it may be better for you to stay with online lessons for now.

Arrival and Departure:

- Please turn up at the start of your lesson time. You will also need to be packed up ready to leave by the end of your lesson time. We won't be able to overlap like we normally would.
- If possible, just the student to attend the lesson, but one adult can also sit in if necessary.
- I will be asking you the COVID screening questions.
- You will be required to sanitise your hands on arrival. Hand sanitiser will be available.
- Bathroom facilities will not be available at this time (except in emergencies!).
- When you arrive I will open the front door and prop it open, then retreat down the corridor while you walk into the music room.

Social Distancing:

- We will not share instruments. You will unpack your own cello and music.
- We will keep 2m apart from each other at all times
- I will write notes on a piece of paper and email it to you after the lesson
- We won't be able to share music so please make sure you have everything with you
- If your instrument needs tuning, you will put it down and stand in the hallway. I will sanitise my hands, tune your instrument, sanitise my hands again and then you can come back in and play.
- For aural tests, we will only sing quietly while facing away from each other
- For piano students, I will use the real piano and you will use my new fancy electric piano!
- At the end of the lesson I will open the front door and prop it open, then retreat down the corridor while you exit.
- Students are welcome to wear a face covering if they wish.
- All adults attending lessons as observers must wear a face covering over their mouth and nose at all times while indoors.
- Please stay behind the yellow stripy line at all times

Keeping the teaching space clean and safe:

Between students I will:

- open the windows to air out the room
- wipe down any contact points such as door handles / music stand / chair / door bell
- clean the piano keys (if used)
- sanitise my hands

What happens if you can't attend your lesson in person:

- Please contact me asap. You will receive an online lesson instead.