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Dear Parents and Carers

It has come to our attention that a number of instruments are being damaged.

As a school, we have bought the instruments for the children to learn on, and for them to benefit from a broad and balanced curriculum. It is very important that instruments are kept in good condition for future years to enjoy.

Instruments are expensive, and would take up a huge part of the school's budget to replace. They also get serviced by the school every two years.

Valencia Guitars cost: £65

Clarinets cost: £150

Trumpets cost: £119

Trombones cost: £90

If the instrument that your child is borrowing from school gets broken at home, you must either mend it to the best of your ability or if the instrument is damaged beyond fixing, buy a new one.

Please look after your instruments:

Do not leave them near a heat source (like a radiator).

Do not stand them where they can easily fall over or be trodden or sat on.

If you are not using them, keep them in their case.

Keep your instruments dry.

Clean your clarinet after use (use the stick and cloth provided)

I hope your child continues to enjoy learning through Sound Start this year. As a school, we are very fortunate to have the opportunity of having lessons with skilled Croydon Music Service professionals, and therefore ask for commitment from pupils and respect for the instruments.

Thank you for your understanding

Mrs Longhurst

Music coordinator











