FORM SIF

Hartismere School



Application for a Specialist Music Place

2025 / 2026

I have read the notes overleaf and wish to apply for a specialist music place for my child.

1. Details of child									
Family name	First name								
Date of birth	/ / (<i>dd/mm/yyyy</i>) Boy Girl (please tick)								
Address									
	Postcode								
Current school									

2. Details of parent or carer with whom child lives									
Family name			Initials		Mr / M	1rs / Miss / Ms			
Contact telephone number Email address									
 DELETE AS APPLICABLE I confirm that I have included Hartismere School in the list of schools for which I have applied on my local council's application form. (if applying for a place in the normal admissions round) OR I also attach form ADM1 (if applying for a place other than in the normal admissions round) 									
Signature of parent/carer					Date				

PLEASE RETURN TO: THE HEADTEACHER, HARTISMERE SCHOOL, CASTLETON WAY, EYE, IP23 7BL BY 30 SEPTEMBER

Please read this information carefully, and discuss it with your child before deciding whether to complete the form overleaf.

What are specialist music places?

Specialist music places will be allocated to children who demonstrate a particular aptitude for music and are therefore likely to benefit from attendance at a specialist music college.

How many specialist places are available?

Up to 10% of our PAN.

Which children should apply for specialist places?

Children do not need to have special knowledge of an instrument to be considered for a specialist music place.

What does the assessment process involve?

At this assessment, children will be asked either to play a short piece on their instrument or sing a short song of their own choosing (maximum time 3 minutes), clap a rhythm back correctly and sing back a short series of notes played or sung to them. They will be asked to write a short piece about what music means to them.

All performers will be asked to provide a photocopy of the music for their own part. It is also possible to perform to a backing track on tape or CD. This must not have the solo voice part included, only the backing instrumental

Aural

Children will:

- sing a round with the teacher to show control of pitch and rhythm against a polyphonic melody;
- clap back a rhythm correctly;
- sing back a melody correctly;
- identify major and minor chords.

How will specialist places be allocated?

Children will be given a mark for each part of the process and places will be allocated to applicants with the highest total scores.

How do I apply for a specialist place?

If you wish to apply for a specialist place, please complete the form overleaf and return it to the address at the bottom of the form by 30 September.

Where can I get further information?

Further information about the process can be obtained from Mrs Allison Boom, Office Manager and Admissions Administrator at the School on 01379 870315.