



4th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Passmores Academy we run three Caribbean Steel Pans music groups in the music department every Monday after school. We have spaces for students in years 7-11 to join the Steels Pans groups from this September.

Students do not need to be able to read music to participate, but they should have an enjoyment of music and a little sense of rhythm and beat. They will learn to play a variety of contemporary songs in a supportive environment as part of a band, while also having fun and making new friends. All the groups are free to join and are run by experienced musicians Daniel Barwick and Jasmine Devine who are both ex-students of Passmores Academy.

Please encourage your child to attend one of the sessions outlined below if you think that it would be something that they would enjoy or would like to try out. It would be a fantastic opportunity for them to develop their musical skills and have fun at the same time doing so.

The steel pans groups rehearse at the following times:

Student group 1 - 3.30pm-4.30pm in L109 of the music department

Student group 2 - 4.30pm-5.30pm in L109 of the music department

The first rehearsal this term will be on Monday 7th September. Students just need to turn up at the time stated where they will be warmly welcomed.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact David Butler, Head of Music.

Yours faithfully

David Butler
Associate Assistant Principal
Head of Music Department