

Welcome to
STEPPING NOTES
MUSIC SCHOOL FOR THE 2s to 8s

**IMPORTANT NOTES FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:
PLEASE READ THIS SHEET VERY CAREFULLY, AND PLEASE KEEP IT.**

[N.B. Throughout this sheet, the masculine personal pronoun doubles as the epicene. This is purely for grammatical convenience.]

The goal of Stepping Notes over the long term is to help your child develop into a sensitive, intelligent and literate musician. The more we can together create the right conditions for such capabilities to develop, the better for your child. Therefore:

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD ALWAYS

- goes to the toilet before class starts;
- comes into class barefoot (no shoes, socks or tights – these must be left outside);
- wears leggings or trousers that fit well and do not fall down;
- does not wear a skirt or a dress, or a pinafore, or a smock, or a long T-shirt, or anything long which may interfere with movement

If your child is under the age of 5:

Your full participation in class alongside your child is ESSENTIAL every week.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU

- take off your own shoes before entering the hall, and leave them outside;
- join in enthusiastically and fully with all the singing and movement;
- TURN OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE.

If your child is 5 or older:

You are still encouraged to join your child in his class, frequently, at any time, and without notice, whatever his age. If you do so, then please

- turn off your mobile phone;
- take off your own shoes before entering the hall, and leave them outside;
- join in enthusiastically and fully with the singing and movement, if requested;
- or sit silently and watch, if requested.

If any of these things is not possible for you, then PLEASE WAIT OUTSIDE IN THE LOBBY INSTEAD.

Whatever your child's age:

PLEASE DO NOT bring other children into class without asking me in advance. If you do ask me, and I agree to them coming in, then PLEASE ENSURE THAT THEY TOO

- come into class barefoot;
- join in, if requested;
- or sit silently, if requested.

If sitting silently when necessary is difficult for guest children (especially babies), then PLEASE TAKE THEM OUT OF THE HALL, even if temporarily, when you judge that it may help the concentration of those children who are enrolled in the class, or when it is requested of you. Thank you.

PLEASE DO NOT bring other adult relatives or friends etc. into class without asking me in advance. If you do ask me, and I agree to them coming in, then PLEASE ENSURE THAT THEY TOO

- turn off their mobile phones;
- take off their own shoes before entering the hall, and leave them outside;
- join in enthusiastically and fully with the singing and movement, if requested;
- or sit silently, if requested.

If any of these things is not possible for them, then THEY SHOULD WAIT OUTSIDE INSTEAD.

I appreciate your help and support in ensuring that all the above runs smoothly. If any of the above may be difficult for you, or if you have any questions, then please discuss it with me in advance. Thank you.

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