Benjamin Carnell Cello and piano lessons

Dear parents and carers,

I am delighted to be teaching at Northgate this year and offering students CELLO AND PIANO lessons from September 2025. I am an enthusiastic and versatile teacher with experience teaching cello and piano in the state and independent sectors to all ages and abilities. I have a strong track record of successful ABRSM and Trinity results from Grades 1 to 8, and have had students gain music scholarships to leading schools as well winning prizes in district music competitions.



As a regular performer myself I have played in many of the countries most prestigious venues as both a chamber and orchestral musician, including concerts at the Royal Albert Hall, Royal Festival Hall, events and function work at Houses of Parliament, Natural History Museum and for ITV Red Carpet events. I have played live on RTÉ radio with the National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland, and play every week with 'Lumos Experiences' Candlelight concerts in shows all across the country. Recent projects include performances a soloist in Dvorak and Brahms double concertos with Harlow Symphony Orchestra, and curating the concert series 'Classical Music in the Grotto', at Crystal Grotto, Painshill Park. Passionate about high quality music education, as well as teaching at Northgate, I am the visiting cello and piano teacher at both Saint Nicholas School and Passmores Academy, Harlow, as well as running a large private teaching practice. Previously I taught at Upton House Prep School, Windsor, and have run collaborative string orchestra workshops and taught for Havering Music School.

1. Listed below are the current termly charges for cello and piano lessons. Lessons are only available on a one to one basis, with a term consisting of eleven lessons.

Duration	11 Individual lessons
20 mins	£190
30 mins	£296
45 mins	£429

2. A full term's notice is required if you wish to stop the lessons.

- 3. Invoices are issued termly by Mr Carnell. The school does not deal with the finances of these lessons.
- 4. Lessons lost through the teacher's absence are made up, but not those where the student is absent.
- 5. These lessons do not constitute part of the curriculum and are, therefore, chargeable.
- 6. When the required standard has been reached, children may be entered for examinations. A fee is payable for this.
- 7. Payment of lessons is non-refundable unless due to teacher absence.

If you are interested in your child beginning lessons in September or require any further information, please contact me on <u>b.carnell00@icloud.com</u> or by phone on 07955475934. I will be able to guide you on what music to obtain and advise on a cello purchase if your child is beginning this term.

I look forwards to developing my students musical journeys this year and working with all students to make learning an instrument an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Yours sincerely,

Benjamin Carnell