

## Percussion Purchase Advice

Percussion instruments will be available at school lesson to take place on, however, we recommend that all beginner percussion pupils need at minimum a drum practice pad for home practice.

### Practice Pads

There are lots of options for these practice pads from many different brands – Evans, Stagg, Remo to name a few.



Practice pads are a great place to start before you consider purchasing a full drum kit. They imitate the feel of a drum head, are portable and allow for quiet practice.

### Drum Kits

When purchasing a drum kit at a beginner level, you will find that they come with all the required extras you may not have thought about (drum stool and bass drum pedal for example).

We recommend that when you are exploring options, you be wary of the word 'junior' in the name of kits. This often means that the drum kit is scaled down in size, for players up to 7 years of age. Older players will benefit more from a standard-sized drum set.

### Right Handed or Left Handed?

There is no such thing as a left-handed or right-handed drum kit. Each part of a drum kit can be swapped around to accommodate either left-handed or right-handed playing.

### Electric Drum Kits

Electric drum kits are a good alternative to a traditional drum kit. They are often more compact and can be used with headphones.

You will be advised in your beginner letter of the percussion sticks and book(s) that your child will require for their lessons.