# **Sonata Piano School – Terms and Conditions**

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By enrolling at Sonata Piano School, students and parents/guardians agree to the following terms and conditions.

## 1. Lesson Structure & Booking

- Lessons are taught on a **one-to-one weekly basis**.
- All lessons are **booked in advance via email**.
- Once a weekly lesson slot is agreed upon and booked, it is secured for a continuous period
  of time.

#### 2. Fees & Payment

- Lesson fees are: (as for 2024-2025 academic year)
  - £23 for a 30-minute lesson
  - £32 for a 45-minute lesson
  - £40 for a 60-minute lesson

Please note that lesson fees are subject to review at the beginning of each academic year.

- Lessons must be paid monthly in advance, although termly payment is encouraged.
- The **first lesson** can be paid separately to allow the student to decide whether to continue.
- Payment details will be provided upon booking confirmation.

Please note: lessons will not go ahead unless payment has been received on time.

# 3. School Calendar & Lesson Days

Sonata Piano School follows the **Aberdeen City Council school calendar** throughout the year. Please note, lessons **will run as normal** on:

- In-service days
- Bank holidays
- Mid-term holidays
- The September holiday
- May Day holiday

Students are expected to attend unless alternative arrangements are made in advance.

# 4. Cancellation & Rescheduling Policy

- a) Cancellations by Students
  - With at least 2 days' notice for school activities (trips, sports events, rehearsals) or illness:
    - A rescheduled lesson will be offered, subject to teacher availability
  - With less than 2 days' notice (excluding sudden illness):
    - No rescheduled lesson will be offered
  - Same-day cancellation due to sudden illness or unforeseen emergency:
    - A **rescheduled lesson will be offered**, where possible
    - Students are encouraged to switch to an **online lesson** (via Skype or WhatsApp) at their usual time
  - Only **ONE RESCHEDULED LESSON PER SCHOOL TERM** will be offered per student

### b) Cancellations by Teachers

- If a teacher cancels for any reason:
  - A rescheduled lesson will be offered

All cancellations must be communicated directly with the school.

#### 5. Discontinuation of Lessons

- If a student decides to withdraw from lessons, **two weeks' notice** must be given.
- Fees for the notice period must still be paid even if lessons are not attended.
- The school can withdraw from lessons if a student does not follow the School's terms and conditions (including Cancellation policy) or payments for lessons are delayed.

# 6. Lesson Content & Expectations

- Lessons are tailored to individual students, with focus on progress, creativity, and enjoyment.
- All ages and levels are welcome.
- Teachers prepare students for exams, performances, and personal goals.
- Students are expected to attend lessons with the necessary materials and to practise regularly following teacher's instructions.

### 7. Safeguarding & Privacy

- The safety and wellbeing of students is a top priority. All teachers working with children are PVG-checked.
- A parent or family member of young students is encouraged to be present at the lesson.
- Student information is treated with strict confidentiality and used solely for communication and educational purposes.