



A Guide To Music Medals

We're incredibly proud to be partners with Music Medals, a fantastic award scheme established and ran by the **Associated Board of The Royal Schools of Music** (ABRSM). With The Strings Club, your child will be able to work towards a Music Medal award on a regular basis, tracking their progress term on term.

Whereas typically it might take over a year for a beginner to reach the standard to enter for Grade 1, Music Medals can be achieved every term giving your child something really rewarding to practice towards. Music Medals are convenient for you as a parent too, as they always take place at the venue of your child's lessons, rather than at an exam centre, and typically on the same day as a regular lesson. The examinations are cost effective with prices beginning **from only £11.50** and involve:

- **an ensemble-based piece**
- **a solo piece**
- **a short musicianship test**

Starting with **Copper** and moving up progressively to a **Platinum** (*equivalent to GCSE A* and ABRSM Grade 4 standard*), Music Medals honour and celebrate the skills your child has learnt. They build on what is already taught in class, allowing your child to gain recognition for their hard work each week. Music Medal awards also count towards valuable points on the **Qualifications and Credit Framework**, which can be used as part of an academic application in UK.

Entrants are nominated by their Strings Club teacher in **Week 6** and, if successful, they will be awarded a Music Medal and certificate at our grand Music Medals ceremony.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss Music Medals in further detail please don't hesitate to get in touch via info@thestringsclub.org or by calling **0121 296 9204**.

*"I am **so excited and pleased** to have been **awarded the Music Medal**.
I **practiced a lot** and cannot wait to do my Gold!"*

- Isobel Lavery, aged 6

*"We loved working towards the music medal together -
it makes the **learning rewarding as well as fun**.
Our son was **very proud** to take his medal into school to show his friends!"*

- Hollie Jelfs, Birmingham