



## Welcome letter for children

Hello!

My name is Amy and I am the founder of The Strings Club. I set The Strings Club up 8 years ago so children just like you, could really enjoy music and have fun! I'm really pleased you've decided to sign up for our online music sessions.

If you have been on one of them already, I hope you enjoyed it! If you haven't and today is your first time, I hope you have fun during our session!

Before you start, I wanted to share some important information with you about how our sessions work and ask you to do a few things to ensure you're kept safe online.

That way, if everyone makes sure they do what's asked, everyone should always feel safe during our online music sessions.

### Firstly, our two important reminders

#### **1. We ask that everyone in your home is wearing clothes during our online sessions**

This may seem like a silly request but it's really important! If anyone at home has forgotten to cover up (even your baby sibling!), it would be a good idea to nicely remind them that you are doing your online session, and they may want to put something on. We're sure they will be grateful for the reminder!

#### **2. We ask that everyone in your home minds their language during our online sessions**

Sometimes during our online sessions, we will do some serious jamming (playing music really loud!) so we may press a button that allows us to hear you playing your musical instrument. We don't want to overhear what's going on at home, so if someone at home is talking loudly, you may want to remind them nicely that others can hear them talking. We're sure they will be grateful for the reminder!

#### **Why not print and colour in a special poster we have made for you?**

To help you out with this, we have created a special poster for you that you can colour in and stick on a door or somewhere important so that everyone can see that you are on an online session. We hope you enjoy!



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### How our online sessions work

#### **1. We will always ask your parents or carers permission for you to play music**

Your parents or carers have agreed for you to learn to play music online, which is great! They will register you online on the Zoom platform, which leads us to...

#### **2. Your parents or carers will have received a special email with a link to your lesson**

Alongside this will be a password. They will register you onto something called Zoom.

#### **3. Once inside Zoom, we will ask them to enter in a name**

We only need one name to be entered. This should be your first name only. Please make sure it's your name and not your parent/carers as your teacher may ask you a question.

#### **4. Once inside Zoom, you can choose if you want to be seen or not.**

It is not important for us to see you but if you do want to have your video on, we ask that you:

- remove any information that may be seen on camera that tells others about who you are (e.g. photos, certificates etc.)

#### **5. If you want to use video, please make sure your camera is facing you.**

**We also want to** see your instrument too (if you're playing one of course!). If your camera is facing the floor or the ceiling we won't be able to see your fantastic playing!



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### **6. Registers - Your amazing teacher will do a quick register**

So like school at the beginning of the sessions. This is to ensure that the right people are in the lesson - remember to give your teacher a wave or a thumbs up to say hello!

### **7. At the end of the session, don't forget to log out!**

Your teacher will make sure they log out but it is important for you and your parents or carer to log out too!

**I look forward to seeing you soon!**

**Amy at The Strings Club**