



## *Stephen Wall      Drums & Percussion Tuition*

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

By now I would hope that you are aware of your son/daughters interest in learning to play drum set. I thought this small introductory letter might help to calm your nerves!

Firstly, most of the time spent practising is done on a practise pad (a small rubber pad which absorbs the sound while providing a similar response to a drum and are fairly inexpensive.) It is not necessary for to have a drum set, certainly not in the early stages. However my experience tells me that interest tends to wane if a student starts to improve a lot and doesn't have access to a kit. There are options now, which help to reduce volume i.e. electronic kits and silencer pads, which lie over the drumheads and cushion the sound.

I have set out below a list of equipment, which will need to be purchased as soon as possible after commencement of lessons, otherwise the lessons become futile. Please don't hesitate to contact me on the numbers above or via my website also above with any questions you have.

- 1 x pair of drum sticks.....£5 (approx, can vary)
  - 1 x practise pad.....£15 (approx can vary)
  - 1x Learn to Play Drums manual..£20 (approx can vary) – **Recommended**
- Total = £40.00**

The above can all be purchased at Newcastle Drum Centre, Akenside Hill, Newcastle. Tel 0191 2210301. or JG.Windows, Central Arcade, Newcastle Tel.0191 2211131. Or I can purchase them for you if you wish. Should you require me to purchase them for you drop me an email using the above address please and either send cash via your son/daughter or send a cheque made out to me at the above address. If you are at a school where you receive invoices for the drum lessons I can add the cost to your first invoice if you would prefer.

Many Thanks,

Stephen Wall.