Grant summary

Organisation

Ash Grove Academy

Funding request

Funding is requested towards the purchase of musical instruments for a music education project.

Total project cost

£250

Funding request

£250

END OF REPORT



Macclesfield Town Council Small Community Grant application form

Grants up to £250

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CVSCE can also offer guidance on completing the application form.

Contact details

Please complete table 1.

Table 1 Contact details

Applicant name:	
Organisation:	Ash Grove Academy
Address:	Belgrave Road, Macclesfield, SK11 7TF
Contact number:	
E-mail address:	

Project details
Please complete table 2.

Table 2 Project details

Organisation:	Ash Grove Academy
Location of organisation:	Belgrave Road, Macclesfield, SK11 7TF
Project name:	"Joyful Orff Music in Macclesfield"
Short project description:	The Orff Music Approach is a developmental approach used in music education. The approach has been proven to improve social interaction and communication skills, improve emotional and mental health and wellbeing, and establish positive behavioural traits. This is true for children, including those with ASD or ADHD, as well as the elderly.
	Mrs Chan, our music specialist teaching assistant, has completed the Orff Music Level Teacher Course certificate in Canada. The intention is that she sets up a 'Joyful Orff Band' at Ash Grove Academy. This will be run as an extra-curricular enrichment activity. It will involve children of all ages, from Reception to Year 6, learning to sing and play a tuned or untuned percussion instrument as part of an ensemble.
	This purpose of this application form is to enable us to purchase musical instruments specifically for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the Joyful Orff approach, namely sets of chime bars and boom whackers. These are not part of our normal music curriculum and therefore are not currently in our collection of percussion instruments. It is hoped that, with the successful implementation of the Joyful Orff Band, we will be able to build on this starting point and add further percussion instruments to the collection over time.
If you receive a grant, briefly tell us what difference it will make to your organisation/area:	The foundation of a Joyful Orff Band will further enhance our current outstanding music curriculum. It will allow a broad spectrum of pupils, including those with special educational needs, to access a free music enrichment opportunity. The Band, once established, will also be able to perform at school events and in local care homes and public spaces. This will enhance the mental health and wellbeing of our pupils and of the more vulnerable members of our local community.

Project cost
Please complete table 3.

Table 3 Project cost

Total cost of project:	Boom whackers £135.99 per set Chime bars £29.99 per set
Amount requested from Macclesfield Town Council:	£250.00
Amount of any confirmed match funding (this is preferred but not essential)	School will fund/provide any other instruments/photocopying of music/lyrics, Mrs Chan's time, additional resources as required, refreshments for any music events hosted at school.
Outstanding balance:	
If there is a balance outstanding, please tell us how the shortfall will be met:	
Please state organisations bank account name (who the cheque should be made payable to):	Aspire Ed Trust T/A Ash Grove Academy

Project beneficiariesPlease complete table 4.

Table 4 Project beneficiaries

Please tell us how many people you expect to benefit if you were successful with your community grant application:	We would be hoping that 20 children aged from 5-11 will be part of the initial Joyful Orff Band enrichment group. The whole school community will benefit from their performances at school events and during assembly time. The wider community will benefit, for example, inviting local elderly or vulnerable residents and those from the local care homes to attend school musical events; taking the Band 'on tour' – going to visit the local care homes to perform or performing in the Grosvenor Centre or our community partners, Tesco Metro.
Please tell us which geographical area will benefit most from your project or activity:	The Moss Rose Estate community, including residential care homes within this vicinity.

Supporting documentation

Please complete table 5 to indicate if you have the supporting documents. You do not need to send these documents in with your application (apart from your Governing Document and Safeguarding Policies, which must be supplied by email or post within 7 days of submitting this application) but we may request copies at a later date.

Table 5 Supporting documentation

Up to date Annual accounts/income and expenditure	✓
Copy of your Governing Document (signed)	✓
Planning permission	N/A
Relevant insurances	√
Safeguarding policies	✓
Quotes/estimate for equipment	✓
Affiliation to a Governing Body	✓
Equalities and Inclusion Policy	√

Data protection and consent

Please ensure that you read this section before submitting your application.

Grant application administration

Part or all of the information you supply to us will be held on our IT system. This information will be used for the administration of grant applications and for statistical analysis.

Copies of your application, but with personal details redacted, will be provided at the relevant council meeting for consideration of awarding the grant.

For transparency purposes, information about successful grant applications is added to our website and made available to the local press. The press may request contact details of someone able to provide additional information.

Please indicate below if you consent to us passing on your name and email address to the local press for this purpose.

Yes / No

Grant application support

Please indicate below if you agree for this form to be shared with CVSCE for the purposes of evaluating the application against Macclesfield Town Council's criteria for grants:

Yes / No

Please indicate below if you agree if you agree to CVSCE contacting me by the following methods to provide feedback or offer additional support on completing this application:

Postal address Yes / No Email address Yes / No Phone Yes / No

Declaration

Please complete table 6.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge all the information contained within this application is correct.

I confirm that I understand, agree and accept the terms and conditions of this grant as set out in the Grants and Funding Policy.

Table 6 Declaration

Signed:	
Date:	08.04,2025
Name:	
Position in group:	Principal of Ash Grove Academy

Return to Macclesfield Town Council, Macclesfield Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

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