

About Me

I am a Brass and Theory music teacher with 22 years' experience, teaching students of all ages and abilities from beginners to Grade 8.

I teach all brass instruments including Cornet, Trumpet, Baritone and Trombone - to name a few!

I was taught by Betty Anderson, one of the female pioneers of the Brass Band movement, who has a family background of over 100 years in Brass Bands. She was a soloist from the age of 8 and a conductor from the age of 14 - success in both fields resulted in her winning the Tenor Horn championship of Great Britain on two occasions.

I have attained ABRSM Grade 8 Practical (Bb Cornet), ABRSM Grade 8 Theory, and completed a year of Bandmasters Studies from Barnsley College. I have played with some of the finest Brass Bands in the country, such as the world famous Brighouse & Rastrick Band and Ratby Co-op Band. I competed in a number of solo and duet contests around the country from the age of 7 onwards, winning 8 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze over the space of 10 years.

I also played for the Leicester School Of Music from the age of 8, starting in the Concert Band and moving up to the Symphonic Wind Band, playing principal Cornet for both bands. I have been on tour with the brass bands I have played with, seeing such places as Holland, Germany and France, A high light for me was taking part in the European Brass and Wind Band Festival / International Festival of Music, which is only held every 4 years, playing with Ratby and winning the Gold Medal in our section.

I particularly enjoy inspiring beginners to play and develop, and am passionate about giving young children the best possible music education. I also have 10 years' experience of conducting small music groups.

New beginners are always welcome at any time of the year, all I ask is that the children have fully formed adult teeth, which is required for the children to play a Brass instrument. Feel free to contact me if you would like your child to have a trial on any Brass instrument and I can also advise on the one best suited for your child. I look forward to your child joining the many pupils already enjoying an enriched education at Sketchley Hill Primary School.

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