

# Thank you letters received from Students and Parents over recent years

- How do I thank you enough for the past 7 years? You have been a truly inspiring teacher, always so enthusiastic and supportive. I will miss your lessons greatly and look forward to coming to play to you in the future and hopefully visiting you in Italy. Once again, thanks so much. (18)
- Where do I start?.. I guess THANK YOU! For all your help throughout the past 7+ years. I've really enjoyed my lessons with you and have learnt such a lot from you. Tuscany was also such a wonderful experience and wouldn't have been the same without Sarah's hospitality. You've been so supportive throughout all my decisions at school, university and beyond. I know I owe you a great deal and will miss you very much. At least I will be able to see you from time to time at Academy. Thank you once again for everything. (21)
- Thank you so much for teaching me this year; it's been fantastic fun and I really feel like I've made progress since September and especially since last year. I hope you have a lovely summer decorating and look forward to continuing my studies with you next year at Oxford University (fingers crossed!) (18)
- Thank you very much for teaching me the violin hope you have a lovely summer. (8)
- Thank you for teaching me the viola. You've been a great teacher, and I'm so grateful for all of the effort and encouragement you've given me over the past 9 years. (18)
- Thank you for a wonderfully enriching experience over the past four years. I can't believe how much I've learnt from you. I will take it all with me for the rest of my life. Sorry that I haven't always practised quite as much as I should have - but I am so determined to change that over the next few years, where I'll hopefully have more time to practise at university. Remind me to get your address so I can write to you and keep you updated. Thanks for everything. (18)
- You're the best violin teacher in the world. I hope you have a wonderful birthday. (8)
- Thank you so much for all your help and guidance over the last seven years. Even though I never put all my effort into practicing, I have always enjoyed every lesson, not just for the music, but also for all your worldly advice. You have played a huge part in my choice of university and course and your forgiving nature when it comes to lack of practice meant I could work really hard to be where I am now. (18)
- Thank you for being the best teacher ever. (9)
- Thank you ever so much for teaching me this year, it's been unbelievably good for my playing and you've been very supportive. (16)
- I love the violin. (7)
- Thank you so much for everything you've taught us these past two weeks. We had a lot of fun learning with you as our conductor. We'll miss you! Thanks again. (Orchestra Group, USA)
- John and I are very grateful to you for all the help and encouragement you have given A... in her introduction to the viola - last year's Tuscany visit was a particular highlight. (16 from parent)
- Thank you very very much for teaching me. I hope I will be good enough to take lessons from you again one day. (9)
- I have loved learning with you over the last 6 years. I hope I may keep in touch with you as time goes by. Thank you for everything. (18)

- Thank you SO much for teaching T.... I've never seen him so motivated and delighted to have made so much progress in such a short time. It was very kind of you and we are all deeply grateful. (9 from parent)
- Thank you for teaching me this term - I think it's made a massive difference to my playing already! (15)
- I can remember my first lesson with you, I was so scared of you !!! My hyperactivity/nerves in lessons was unusually because I had (and yes, still do) have the utmost respect for you. You are the first teacher I have had who notices when I haven't done any practice (but I think that says more about my other teachers) for the three years you have put so much time and effort into making me into the best I can be, I can't thank you enough for that. I will miss everything about our lessons. (18)
- From Philadelphia to Tuscany, thank you so much for hosting us here in Italy. We are all looking forward to the next ten days of music making! Thank you again for your hospitality and effort to make this experience possible. We are very grateful for this opportunity. (Young group from USA)
- Thank you so much for my second year of teaching. I've really enjoyed our lessons every week. (15)
- I just want to thank you for being a great teacher and genuine inspiration. Thanks you for all your help, advice and support over the last two years, I wouldn't have been where I am without you. (18)
- We have seen C.... Grow as a musician under your thoughtful guidance and inspiration. It is impossible to thank you for that. (18 from parent)
- Thank you so much for a wonderful music-making experience at the International Music Festival in Philadelphia this year. I enjoyed the orchestra rehearsals immensely. Also, thank you for helping me to realise that I can indeed memorize music! I shall continue to memorize as much as possible, Thank you again for your inspirational teaching. I hope to see you again soon in the future. (17)
- I can thank you enough for all you've done for me. You are the greatest teacher. Will miss you. (18)
- Thank you very much for the past two years. It has been the most worthwhile, albeit the hardest two years of my musical life. I feel I have improved ten-fold due to your coaching. Also, I have gained such a wide knowledge of the viola repertoire that I wouldn't have known about otherwise. Our lessons have had their ups and downs but I feel I'm leaving on a great high. I hope to remain in contact with you in the future (especially about pieces you recommend). Thank you again. (18)
- Thank you for the past two years and all you've done. It's made a great difference. I hope we can keep in touch. (18 from parent)

I thank all my students past and present for the Great times we have had working together, sometimes not easy, other times a sheer delight. You have all worked very hard and achieved amazing results and will go on to fulfil your potential - for sure.

I also offer a personal thanks to the parents who have supported their children through the learning process. Without their support they would not have achieved what they have done.