

Susan de Garis

Principal Instruments: Clarinet Flute Saxophone Recorders

Also teaches: Piano, keyboard and theory of music

About Susan

Susan has enjoyed many years of teaching woodwind and piano in a wide variety of schools and music services. These have been in Guernsey, Dorset and Salisbury. She is a graduate of Birmingham University (B Mus. hons) with a further PGCE in Secondary School music.

Susan has experience of teaching beginners through to grade 8 and beyond and enjoys individual and group teaching as well as coaching ensembles and bands within a school setting. Preparing pupils for music exams has always been an important component of her teaching and she has accompanied all her pupils for their exams, recognising the additional support this can provide on the day.

It has always been Susan's aim to share her enjoyment of music through being able to play an instrument and to enable pupils to achieve the best that they possible can. This means being flexible and recognising that the exam process is not for everyone, but celebrating achievements definitely is! Susan welcomes the opportunities that school music assemblies, concerts, and family and friends all have in providing a platform to encourage pupils' progress. Learning to play an instrument is both fun and hard work and it is so rewarding to her as a teacher when pupils gain a skill for life.