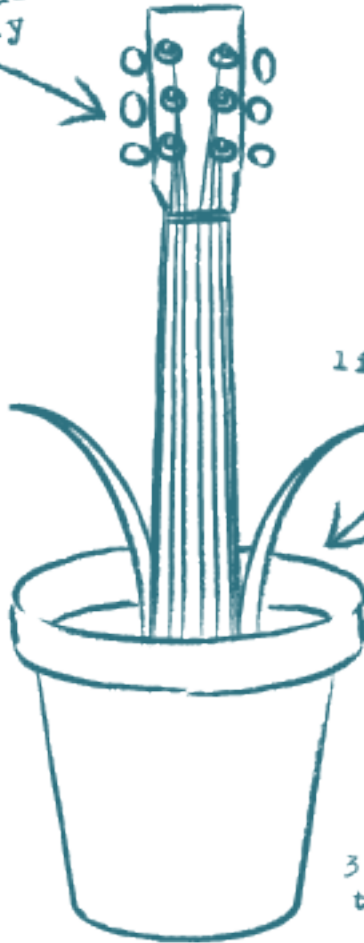


# FRONT ROW MUSIC PRACTICE GUIDE

1) ~~prune~~ tune  
regularly



2) water with  
practice  
little and often

3) watch that  
talent grow

# HELLO PARENT!

## WELCOME TO OUR PRACTICE GUIDE

We are really excited that your child is coming to guitar lessons! We've put together this quick practice guide to help you get the most out of lessons and kick start your child's superstar journey.

## FOLDERS

Your child will have their very own Front Row Music folder. Have a good look through this each week to see what your child is working on.

Repetition is key - try to recap worksheets from previous weeks so that they stay fresh in your child's mind. Jimi Hendrix never used to take his guitar off as a child, he even went to sleep with it on!

## TUNING

We will tune your child's guitar each week but they can drop out of tune easily. If you don't have a tuner you can either download a tuning app for free if you have a smart phone or you can use the tuner on our website and match the notes – [www.frontrow-music.com](http://www.frontrow-music.com)

## BACKING TRACKS

Practise along to our backing tracks and sound like a rock star! Visit our website [www.frontrowmusic.co.uk](http://www.frontrowmusic.co.uk) for backing tracks of the songs you learn at school and try to stay in time!



# UNDERSTANDING OUR WORKSHEETS

We mainly use tab and chords on our guitar worksheets. Here are examples of how to read them:

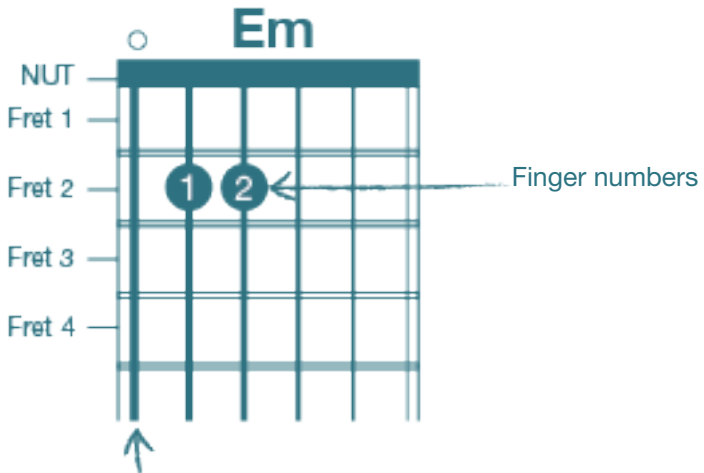
## TAB



String names - the thickest string (nearest to your chin when holding the guitar) is at the bottom on tab.

The numbers refer to which fret to play on the guitar. You read tab from left to right. The '0' tells you to play an open string.

## CHORDS



Thickest string (nearest to your chin when holding the guitar).

# TOP 10 PRACTICE TIPS

1. MAKE SURE THE GUITAR IS IN TUNE BEFORE PRACTISING
2. PRACTICE LITTLE AND OFTEN TO SEE FAST IMPROVEMENT
3. ALWAYS PRACTICE AFTER SCHOOL ON LESSON DAY, WHEN IT IS FRESH IN YOUR MIND
4. START OFF NICE AND SLOW AND ONCE CONFIDENT WITH THE NOTES TRY TO SPEED UP
5. PRACTICE DURING THE ADVERTS OF FAVOURITE TV PROGRAMMES OR 10 MINUTES BEFORE TEA
6. LET YOUR CHILD TEACH YOU HOW TO PLAY A SONG THAT THEY HAVE LEARNT
7. TRY TO PLAY THE SONGS THAT YOUR CHILD IS LEARNING SO THAT YOU CAN HELP IF NEEDED
8. MAKE PRACTICE FUN; USE A STOPWATCH AND TRY TO GET FASTER EACH TIME
9. REPEAT SONGS UNTIL YOU DON'T NEED THE TO LOOK AT THE SHEET ANY MORE TO REMEMBER THEM
10. HOLD MINI PERFORMANCES AT HOME FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

## HAPPY PRACTISING!

- ★ Try to praise your child as much as possible for their effort and gently correct mistakes.
- ★ Set a goal for each practice session.
- ★ Practise what you don't yet know rather than what you do know.
- ★ If you would like to purchase an instrument at any point please get in touch via the website.
- ★ If your child misplaces a practice sheet or if you need any more advice on practising please drop us an email.