



A pair of sticks is all students need to get started, with a practice pad being a great addition!

DRUM STICKS

- Recommended sizes - 7A or 5A
- Recommended brands - Vic Firth, ProMark - £6-13



PRACTICE PAD

- Recommended brands - Evans, Vic Firth - £20-25

After your child has been learning for a while, you might decide to buy them a drum kit. There may be cheaper options available, but the kits recommended below are from trusted brands that will last students for years to come.

NEW ACOUSTIC DRUM KITS*

- Pearl Roadshow Jr - £309 (junior kit - up to 10 years old)
- Mapex Tornado - £333-369 (various sizes)

NEW ELECTRONIC DRUM KITS*

- Alesis Debut Kit - £209
- Alesis Turbo Mesh Kit - £269
- Roland TD-02K V-Drums Kit - £269
- Alesis Nitro Max Kit - £339

	Acoustic	Electronic
Price	✓	✗
Size	✗	✓
Volume	✗	✓
Portability	✗	✓
Feel	✓	✗
Live	✓	✗
Recording	✗	✓
Appearance	✓	✗

If buying new, ask your child's school if you can buy through the [Assisted Instrument Purchase Scheme](#). This government scheme involves the school ordering the instrument for the student (VAT free) and then the parent buying it from the school. To work out the VAT-free price, divide the price above by 1.2.

**All prices listed are accurate at the time of writing and are from trusted suppliers, such as GAK, Thomann, Andertons, PMT, Gear4Music, Chamberlain Music and Amazon.*

SECOND HAND DRUM KITS

If the above prices are out of your budget, don't panic! Buying second hand can be a great option. Drum Kits often go for as little as £50 on sites such as Facebook Marketplace or eBay.

Some recommended brands to look out for are: *Pearl, Mapex, Yamaha, Tama, Ludwig & Gretsch* for acoustic kits and *Alesis, Roland and Yamaha* for electronic kits. Model names will likely be slightly different to the new kits listed above if they are more than a few years old.

It can be tricky to know what to look for but your drum teacher will be able to help you with this!