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Dear Music Therapy Charity Trustees,

I am so grateful for the financial help I received from the Music Therapy Charity. This bursary allowed me to reduce the hours in my part-time job meaning that I could dedicate more time and energy to my studies and personal development. This was invaluable as I was finding the strain of having to work long hours to sustain myself financially exhausting both mentally and physically.

Being able to commit more fully to my training has meant I have been able to make the most of the many opportunities afforded by the richly stimulating course at the Guildhall and I have developed so much as a musician, academic, and therapist as a result. My experiences on placement have also been very formative – I have been working in a mainstream primary school and a special needs school and have learnt so much in these two different institutions. After reducing the hours in my job, I felt I had the energy and mental space to take on more clinical work which was a fantastic opportunity to broaden my clinical experience and feel more prepared for the world of work.

Now I am qualified, I am moving to Lebanon for a few months to explore work opportunities with refugees in the region. Using music therapy to help refugees has been something I have wanted to explore for a long time and I am so glad I can finally pursue this.

Thank you once again for your generosity, it is hugely appreciated. I hope in the future I will be able to help other music therapy students as you have helped me.

Yours sincerely,

Susanna Bajali