



Music Newsletter – December 2022

It has been a busy half term for music with a special event on Saturday 3rd December, when the Senior Choir sang at Winchester Christmas Market to a busy crowd of hundreds of people. They were so confident and the dance moves in a new song called “Secret Santa” were so well synchronised with brilliant solos from 4 children.

On Saturday 10th December, the Junior Choir sang at the St Mary’s Church Christmas Tree Festival. They sang beautifully and congratulations to the soloists who performed so well in front of a packed church.

On Tuesday 13th December the school band, orchestra, recorder clubs and ukulele club entertained the whole school and then a full hall of parents for the annual school Christmas concert.

On Wednesday 14th December, the Senior Choir performed once again at the School Carol service, with a beautiful solo from Henry in “Once in Royal David’s City”.

Music Lessons this half term

Year 3 started the term learning about rhythmic notation using Stone Age words and after half term, have been learning about musical textures with the Iron Man topic.

Year 4 have been learning about Beethoven and playing some of his music as well as singing songs about Anglo Saxons and Vikings and playing music using different dynamics.

Year 5 have been learning to play the ukulele and held a concert for parents after half term. Thank you to everyone who attended. After this, they started to learn about the music “Mars” by Holst and created their own versions of the music. They had to use standard notation which was quite a challenge but results were amazing.

Year 6 have been “rocking” this half term learning guitar and keyboard chords for the song “Pompeii” as well as playing the drums. Their challenge was to form bands and perform the song to the rest of the class. Towards the end of the term, they have looked at music inspired by art.

Music Clubs for this next half term

All music clubs are **FREE OF CHARGE**.

Due to staggered lunchtimes, lunchtime clubs are organised by year group. These clubs last no longer than 20 minutes so that children can go outside for fresh air and exercise. They do not clash with eating lunches either.

Tuesday lunchtime – Treble Recorders (yr 6)

Tuesday lunchtime – Year 3 Music Club

Wednesday lunchtime – Recorder Clubs

Thursday morning – Orchestra (by invitation)

Thursday lunchtime – Recorder Clubs (yr4/5)

Friday morning - School Band (by invitation)

Friday lunchtime – Ukulele Club (years 5 and 6)

Friday afternoon (during school time) – Junior Choir (open to year 3s and 4s) and Senior Choir (open to year 5s and 6s)

ALL MUSIC CLUBS START back the first week back.

Please make sure that Mrs Malone knows if your child is learning a musical instrument out of school so that they can be incorporated into school ensembles.

Future musical diary dates

Saturday 4th March (daytime) – Orchestra, Ukulele group, JUNIOR Choir and smaller ensembles at Basingstoke Music Festival at QMC. KEEP THIS DAY FREE if your child plays a musical instrument!

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Saturday 4th March (evening) – Senior Choir at the Anvil (The Mayor's Charity Concert: Thank You ForThe Music). Buy your tickets from the Anvil online or box office.

Wednesday 22nd March 6:30pm Christ Church Chineham – School Band Concert

Wednesday 24th May – Provisional School Chamber Concert

Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st June – School Orchestra at the Anvil (BPSM Concert)

Music outside school

BAYO ensembles – music groups at all levels for most instruments

<https://www.bayo-hampshire.org.uk/bayo>

Hampshire Youth Choirs – singing opportunities for keen singers

<https://hantschoirs.wixsite.com/website>