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Recitals Pilot

30 students from Lynch Hill and Holy Family took part in our first music service recital evening... Congratulations to all our talented young performers - you were amazing!

Thanks so much for the variety of music you shared with us. You put on a fantastic display and were presented at the end of the event with a beautiful selection of flowers. A big thank you goes out to our teacher Haru Yoshimura for organising the show!

We are looking to give children and young people more opportunities to perform, and from September, we will be inviting one to one and small group students to speak to their peripatetic teachers. The aim will be to see if they are ready to perform during our Autumn Recital week in November. We wish to encourage as many students as possible to share all their hard work with an appreciative audience, developing key skills in performance, presentation, and confidence - both musically and on a personal level.

Summer Term 2022



Everyone Can Play 2022

Over 300 students from a large number of primary schools in Slough were fortunate enough to be invited to take part in our Everyone Can Play day 2022! There were 2 events held on June 22nd & 24th to accommodate such high demand, and both were a great success.

The students sang their hearts out, played trumpets, recorders, violins, ukuleles and djembe drums, along to a band of professional musicians. This saw the premiere of 'Love Slough', as well as our rendition of Gary Barlow's 'Sing'. Thanks so much to all staff who spent many weeks in classes writing and teaching the music to their pupils, and to all involved behind the scenes and in person on the day in making the events a huge success! We are looking forward to seeing where these events will take our students in future, paving the way for musical journeys in whole-class ensemble tuition.

Inaugural concert for Langley Hall Arts Academy

On July 1st there was an inaugural concert held for Langley Hall Arts Academy - which is opening in September 2022. The concert featured many musicians across several musical genres, and saw a special performance from the head of Slough Music Service - Rebecca Richardson. We are thrilled to see Langley Hall growing and enabling more students to learn music in Slough and the surrounding areas. For more information contact:

info@langleyhallartsacademy.co.uk

Return of Music Centre, HAF, & More...

Music Centre

In September we will be opening a new Music Centre at Lynch Hill School Primary Academy on **Thursdays ~ 4:30 - 6pm**.

This will be a space for ensembles we run to come and rehearse, and where children can receive additional tuition or have their own practice time. Attendance cost: £1 per week.

School of Rock band & New Orchestras

We look forward to welcoming new participants to our Rock band and new orchestras that we will be looking to build as we enter the new academic year - watch this space!

Holiday & Food programme (HAF)

We are proud to be running 4 weeks of HAF this August, 4 days per week (Mon-Thurs) at the Grove Academy School in Chalvey. Summer, Christmas, and Easter, we deliver a range of activities funded by the holiday and food programme. Our focus is on music, movement, and positive attitudes, providing children with a healthy, hot meal, and a fun-filled, educational day, as well as offering advice on services that can support families in Slough. Children must be receiving free school meals in order to attend the provision at no cost. There are a limited number of paid spaces available at **£40 per week**. For further information please email: music.service@slough.gov.uk



And finally...

One to one lessons

A reminder that we are offering one to one lessons on a wide variety of instruments, including piano, drum kit, clarinet, violin & strings. To apply visit:

<https://www.sloughmusicservice.co.uk/For-Pupils/Lessons-in-School/Apply>

7 lessons per term (20 mins each)

~ £90 (subsidised for free school meals, ranging from £30-60)

10 lessons per term

~ £125 (20 mins each week)

~ £187.50 (30 mins each week)

Upton Court Grammar School

Performance with a difference!. The Performing Arts in collaboration with the Art department presented a Summer Showcase - themed around the Platinum Jubilee. This involved 3 different coloured tickets, leading the audience to 3 types of showings in art, drama, and music. What an engaging show! Well done to Ray Lau and the team for the hard work that went into planning and directing the event. You smashed it!

Opera Magic

Pennwood and Grove Academy schools were fortunate to be visited in June by Opera Magic. They gave a brilliant introduction into the fascinating world of opera in the company of Gilbert and Sullivan. This was made possible by the generous support of the D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust. Look out for more performances to come.

Curve Library Performances

In June some of our staff members gave wonderful performances at the Curve Library in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Ashton Smith performed a solo set on trumpet, taking us through the decades, and Louise Bevan & Marian Bango performed a variety of string duets. Thank you for your fine playing - and bravo!



Slough Community Youth Soul Choir

Our youth soul choir runs at the Curve on a **Monday ~ 4.30-5.30pm** (6-9 years) ~ **5.45-7pm** (10-16 years).

We are a multi-school community choir and have been working with Home Slough to compose a song called 'We Love Slough'. The song is incredibly catchy, and is to be paired up with an engaging music video (available to watch soon!)

End of Year Performances

Special thanks to all schools that put on leavers' assemblies and end of year concerts - including Wexham Court Primary, led by Camilla Goodman, and Ryvers Primary, led by Carmel White. We were fortunate to have been invited to watch the pupils at Ryvers Primary School perform. Well done for a successful performance!

It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to put on these performances, so we celebrate with and thank all schools who have endeavoured to do so.



A special *Goodbye & Thank You* goes out to Bridin Mills at St. Anthony's who is retiring after a hugely successful 40 years teaching and leading music at the school. Her final production that she wrote and led in June was amazing! We wish you all the very best in your retirement, and thank you for all that you've done!