

Wessex Schools Music

November 2023

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Wessex Schools Music Christmas Concerts 2023 – Wednesday, 6th December 2022

I am inviting you to join with us to celebrate the achievements of the Wessex Schools and THS Music groups this term at the Wessex Schools Music Christmas Concerts 2023, which will take place at The Thomas Hardy School Theatre on Wednesday 6th December.

Due to the large number of students involved in the event, it is necessary to run two concerts. We realise that there will still be some students and/or siblings involved in both concerts, but I'm afraid there is no perfect solution given the space that we have available to us at this time of year.

Each concert will include the following groups (exact order tbc):

Concert 1, 5.30pm – c.6.30pm:

Bandamonium and TOPs Bandamonium, Stringalings, Skylarks, Nightingales, THS Brass Ensemble, THS Orchestra

Students should arrive at 5.10pm, and congregate in the room allocated to their group.

Concert 2, 7pm – c.9pm (with interval):

THS Flute Choir, THS Clarinet Group, THS String Ensemble, THS Percussion Ensemble, Dorchester Children's Orchestra (formerly DASP Youth Orchestra), THS Sax Group, THS Jazz band, THS Rock & Pop Choir, THS Orchestra, THS Concert Band, TH Singers

Students should arrive at 6.45pm, and congregate in the room allocated to their group.

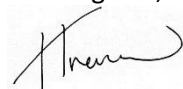
If you would like your son/daughter to perform in this concert, please complete the online permission form here: <https://forms.gle/4TDKYmPxpEyrHHz87> (It can also be found on the home page at www.daspmusic.co.uk) by **Friday 24th November**. **It is important that we get an online reply from everyone who wishes to perform. We will be putting names in the programme based on these replies.** All students should wear school uniform (6th formers to wear all black), but Christmas decorations/hats are encouraged! Refreshments will be available before and after Concert 1 and then during the interval of Concert 2.

Tickets

We are not ticketing this event and it will be free for all to attend. However, we will be welcoming donations at the end of each concert (please bring cash, if possible, although we hope to have an online donation option too!). The money that we raise from concerts each year feeds directly into being able to provide the breadth of opportunities for the young people in our area (including subsidising our ensembles) and your support in this matter is much appreciated.

We hope that you can join us for this festive event and look forward to seeing you there!

Kind regards,



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