# MUSIC NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 2022



# Upcoming Events

Young Voices: 27th April

Rocksteady Concert: tbc

Summer Term

#### York Schools Choral Festival

On Tuesday 5th April, a group of singers from Year 5 participated in the festival where we sang All You Need is Love. We also participated in a group performance and workshop. The group did a great job and sang beautifully.

### **MEG Workshops**



This term we have been lucky to host Music workshops by students from York University's Music Education Group (MEG). The workshops included Body Percussion, African Drumming and Using Our Voices. The children really enjoyed meeting students and participating in the sessions.



## Reception



This term the children have enjoyed exploring the Music room in their lessons. We have been learning new rhymes and experiencing pulse through movement. We have also taken turns to experiment with the glockenspiel, drums and ukulele.

### Year 3

Year 3 have spent this term establishing their musical understanding through the Kodaly approach. As many of you will have seen we spent this term preparing for their wonderful performance in Moana.

#### Year 5



Year 5 started the year by learning about Hip Hop music and rap. The children wrote the most amazing raps small groups. This half term we have had big а change of direction to look

at Opera. The children have been designing and making a model set for the opera Hansel and Gretel.

## Year 1

In Year 1 we started the term by exploring the piece of music Peter and the Wolf. We created pictures and learned about the instruments we could hear. This half term we have been listening to Spring by Vivaldi and creating our own Spring sounds using classroom instruments.

#### Year 2

Year 2 children have been using untuned percussion to compose and perform. In the first half term the children invented machines and created a piece of music with a partner that explored the sounds of the machine. This half term the children chose the theme of Animals and explored sounds and movement to represent animals.

#### Year 4

For the first Spring term the children explored Music Technology. We used software on the Chrome



Books to compose. We also worked in small groups to explore the Makey Makey.

This half term we worked on the singing for their amazing performance of Moana.

## Year 6

Year 6 have spent this term working with Mr Topman and Mrs Hardy, learning how to play the steel pan drums. We have combined the new drumming knowledge with our previous ukulele experience to learn some songs from the Carribean.

#### Free tickets for York Guildhall Orchestra concert and Martin Roscoe masterclass

York Music Hub and York Guildhall Orchestra are delighted to be working in partnership to provide 100 free tickets for school-aged children and young people, to YGO's upcoming concert at York Barbican on 14 May 2022. Not only that, but each free child ticket comes with a free adult ticket! Parents/carers will be able to reserve free tickets via an online form, which will be available at the following web address, and will be circulated to local schools.

#### https://yorkmusichub.us6.list-manage.com/track/click? u=9d2cd881f5555a81a811d8467&id=18815dda75&e=9ae0e9b611

We will also be offering the opportunity for a small number of young pianists (grade 5+) to take part in a piano masterclass with Martin Roscoe on Sunday 15 May, 14:00-17:00, following his appearnace as soloist with YGO at York Barbican.

More details will be released soon, but if somebody you know would be interested in this opportunity, expressions of interest can be sent to info@yorkmusichub.org.uk.



# York Music Centre

Every week during term time at Millthorpe School

For children ages 3-18 years support@yorkartseducation.org.uk or visit our website

www.yorkartseducation.org.uk



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# FREE MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES

This year your son/daughter has the fantastic opportunity at school to explore a wide range of music making together with learning to play a musical instrument as part of a whole class. Led by highly experienced, professional music teachers, this is a nationally recognised programme.

As part of this whole class programme, we also offer FREE membership for any/all of our First Access sessions at York Music Centre:

First Brass&Wind - Saturdays 09.15-10.00 for brass and wind instrument beginners up to Grade 1

First Strings - Saturdays 09.15-10.00 for string instrument beginners up to about Grade 1

First Recorders - Saturdays 09.15-10.00 for beginners up to about Grade 1

First Keyboards - Saturdays 10.15-11.00 no previous experience or instrument required

First Ukuleles - Saturdays 11.15-12.00

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Family Choir - Saturdays 11.30-12.30

No experience required, for children and parents too

World of Rhythm - Wednesdays 5.00-5.45 or 6.00-6.45 Exploring a wide range of percussion music

First Steps - Saturdays 11.30-12.15

general music-making for children aged 3-6 yrs and their parents

SoundWaves - Saturdays 10.00-11.00 or 11.30-12.30 for children with a range of special educational needs and disabilities

# Please come along for a trial session.....

There are also opportunites to hire an instrument, have an individual instrumental/ vocal lesson (subject to availability and a tuition fee) and to progress to more advanced ensembles. Free places available to low income families.

Email: support@yorkartseducation.org.uk Tel: 01904 293236





## PRE-GRADE 1

#### **Upcoming Courses**

Easter 2022: 19-20 April

**Summer 2022:** 31 August-2 September

> Winter 2022: 29-30 December

You'll be dancing all day long to the infectious tunes we play in Young Wind. Our enjoyable time in a music setting!

Young Wind runs two afternoons in a row, so that our players can have a wonderful experience without getting fatigued. At the end of the two days, we have a mini-concert for friends and family!

# YOUNG WIND

We are very proud of our Young Wind course, that is aimed at bringing confidence and fun to woodwind and brass players age 6+ that have been playing for longer than one term. The experience of playing with other people is so important in a young musicians development and our tutors are excellent giving them two fun and energetic half-days to spark their love of music!









# **GRADE 3-5**

#### Upcoming Courses

Easter 2022: 20-21 April Summer 2022: 31 August-2 September

> Winter 2022: 29-30 December

Have you really missed playing a group? Do you want amazing experiences playing with other musicians your age? Come to Yorchestra!

Across 2/3 days, you'll get excellent music tuition from our fabulous tutors, quality time in an orchestral setting, and the opportunity to make musical friends along the way! At the end, you'll be able to show off everything you've learnt in a concert to your friends and family.

# MEZZO

For players of Grade 3-5 standard, Mezzo runs for 2 days during the Easter and Christmas holidays and 3 days in the summer. Mezzo will play arrangements from different periods and styles, carefully selected to suit the abilities of the players on the course. Previous repertoire has included Dukas' The Sorcerer's Apprentice and Vaughan-William's Fantasia on Greensleeves.





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Young Strings runs two mornings in a row, so that our players can have a wonderful experience without getting fatigued. At the for friends and family!

# YOUNG **STRINGS**

We are very proud of our Young Strings course, that is aimed at bringing confidence and fun to string players age 6+ that have been playing for longer than one term. The experience of playing with other people is so important in a young musicians development and our tutors are excellent giving them two fun and energetic half-days to spark their love of music!





# **GRADE 1-2**

#### Upcoming Courses

Easter 2022: 19 April

**Summer 2022:** 30 August

Winter 2022: 28 December

Are you at the beginning of your musical journey? Have you started learning an instrument in the last two years, and haven't really had the chance

Yorchestra is the perfect thing for you!!

Our day long course will give you great experience at playing in a group, finishing with a performance to your family and friends. Our friendly tutors will guide you musically, but also

# PRIMO

Primo is a fun and energetic one-day course aimed at players aged 8+ with at least 6 months playing experience and at a Grade 1-2 standard. As with Mezzo, the music is chosen carefully to fit ability. Recorder players are also welcome! At the end of the day, there'll be a mini-concert of the music learnt.



# Hop into Spring!





When: Thursday 14th April 2022, 10am-12pm

Where: New Earswick Folk Hall

Who For: Ages 8+

Cost: £10

Join Ellen and Ben for this multi-sensory movement sound and visual holiday club themed around the animals of spring. Come along to move like a bunny, or use your imaginations to make a bird soundscape. There'll be lots of multi-sensory props, some springtime visuals and musical instruments to explore!

All our **IMPs holiday clubs are fully inclusive**. You don't need to be a member of IMPs, or have any experience in music or dance.

Our face-to-face sessions are all COVID-secure. If you find social distancing tricky, or you need 1-1 support, you must bring your own support. Please contact us to book your place.

Email: imps@aamedia.org.uk

Phone: 01904 626965

# **Spring Fever**

When: Wednesday 20th April, 1.30-3.30pm

Who for: Ages 8+

Where: New Earswick Folk Hall

Cost: £10 (sibling discounts and subsidised places available - please contact us to find

out more)



**Holiday Club** 

Please contact us to book your place.

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Phone: 01904 626965

Come and sing your way through all elements of spring with Anna and Hannah. We'll be exploring the animals, the weather and nature of spring through sensory song. We'll use our hands to sign the words, and sensory props which brings the songs to life.

All our IMPs holiday clubs are fully inclusive. You don't need to be a member of IMPs, or have any experience in singing or signing to take part.

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