

Dorset Music Education Hub – Newsletter

Keeping everyone informed about music education

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Introduction from Nichola Gunn, Manager of Dorset Music Service, Children's Services

Yay! the team is reunited 😊 It has been a while since the Dorset Music Service Management Team has been at full capacity; but following a Paternity, Maternity and a Wedding we are now up to full strength.



Hannah Reeves (left) has returned from maternity leave taking her role of Project Manager for Primary Schools. **Mary North** (was Wheatcroft) is our Project Manager for Middle and Secondary Schools. Mary is busy organising an AQA Workshop free for secondary GCSE students whilst making the final preparation for the Bryanston Residential and the Summer Showcase for the County Orchestras. Whilst Hannah has dived straight into organising Musicianship Programme Continuation following our pilot application system and scheduling Musicianship Programme for 2018/19.



We have significantly reduced the amount of data requested in preparation for the Arts Council Annual Return.

Last week an Excel Spreadsheet to gather data for the Annual Music Census arrived in school. ***Congratulations to Hillside, Cheselbourne, Bincombe, Burton, Corfe Castle, Pamphill and St Joseph's Schools*** for being the first to return their data. The deadline is the 20th September but the sooner the better.

There is an expectation that every school will complete the data collection and we will need to chase schools for the information to meet the requirements of our annual return that enables access to funding to deliver music in schools. ACE Funding makes all of this possible.....

Tuition – Musicianship Programme – County Groups – Mash-up festival – CPD – Instrument Hire – Singing Strategy – Schools Orchestra Extravaganza – Workshops – visiting specialists

THE HEADLINES

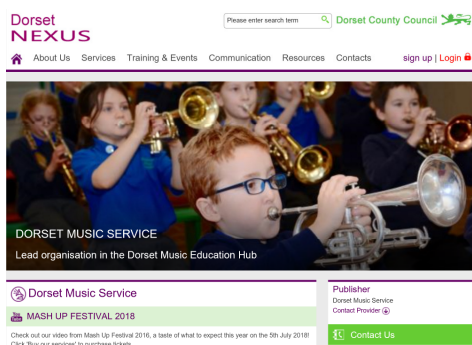


Mash-up Festival 2018 is a SELL OUT!

Thank you for your support and we can't wait to meet all those lucky children who are attending the event on Thursday 5th July.

We have received £1000 from 'TESCO Bags of Help' to deliver have-a-go workshops and musical demonstrations in Blandford Schools; to encourage pupils to begin learning an orchestral instrument.

THE HEADLINES - continued



Nexus provides all the information you need about music in schools. You can meet our Instructors, book a workshop or discover the next CPD session. Secondary Teachers can join an online community forum. TAKE A LOOK!



We are delighted that DASP Music will deliver Musicianship Programme Continuation lessons for schools in the Dorchester Area. This will offer continuity for students and encourage continued learning beyond the funded lessons. We are excited to see the results.



*Open Orchestra will continue at **Westfield School** and begin at **Wyvern School** in partnership with Dorset Music Education Hub in September.*

WHAT'S NEW for Key Stage 3

Secondary Music Online Forum



We are very pleased to have launched a Secondary Music Online Forum which can be accessed through our Dorset Nexus Website.

This forum has been created as a central space for Secondary Music teachers to post and share topics, events, planning, CPD and more!

Although in its early stages, we hope this forum will help to bring together a wide range of Secondary Schools across Dorset. Watch this space!

AQA Workshop (funded by DMS) – Monday 18th June 2018



MONDAY | 18.06.18 | 9.00AM-12.30
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,
DORCHESTER CORN EXCHANGE
DT1 1HF

To book your free place contact: dorsetmusicservice@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Samswara sitar & table duo will be delivering this workshop tailored to cover the AQA GCSE Music syllabus requirement to study Indian Music & The Beatles 'Within You Without You' from Sgt. Pepper's Album.

John Sterckx (table) and Ricky Romain (sitar) are professional performers of Indian Music. They have been teaching and leading workshops for over 15 years and both have also been associate lecturers at The University of Plymouth.

County Group Auditions

We will be holding auditions for our County Groups over the summer holidays, giving students the opportunity to audition in the stunning Bryanston School. Week beginning 30th July.

For more information about how to apply to audition and dates please contact: dorsetmusicservice@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Summer Showcase @ Gainsford Theatre, Lytchett Minster School – Sunday 24th June



We're getting excited about our Summer Showcase on the 24th June.

This is a chance for all our County Groups to perform and show what fantastic music they have been making this academic year!

What a brilliant way to get into the spirit of summer! We hope to have picnics in the beautiful grounds before the performances begin.

Bryanston Creative Youth Ensemble Summer Residential -30th July to 3rd August

"Working in a concentrated yet relaxed and friendly atmosphere, the combination of the course, tutors, and facilities make for a highly enjoyable and worthwhile musical experience."

John Randall

Dorset County Council

How to apply

If you are interested in taking part, please complete the online application on our website:
www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/music-service/bryanston-school-residential-sign-up

This opportunity is open to all young musicians over the age of 12 playing at grade 4 or above. Experience of playing in a Jazz orchestra is not required and almost any instrument will be considered.

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Residential guide: DORSET YOUTH CREATIVE ENSEMBLE
 Bryanston School
 30th July to 3rd August 2018

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We have had a fantastic response to our Summer Residential for this year at Bryanston School and there are still a few places left – if you would like to apply and for more information; please visit the link below:

<https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/article/421839/Bryanston-School-Residential-2018>

The talented Jon James (Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra associate) will be leading the course alongside some fantastic musicians, and has begun preparing exciting repertoire for a week of musical madness that will culminate in a final night concert in the magnificent Tom Wheare Concert Hall.

Schools Orchestra Extravaganza

The date is set for **Wednesday 10th July 2019** and we will soon be approaching Middle and Secondary Schools to get involved in the massed ensemble project that will cumulate with a performance at the Bournemouth Pavilion. The massed orchestra is going to be conducted by Lee Marchant and music has been selected from the BBC Ten Pieces repertoire. We will be searching for school ensembles to make up the massed orchestra of 200 students - get ready to sign up soon!



WHAT'S NEW for Key Stage 1 & 2

Instrument choices for Musicianship Programme to have a stronger focus on Orchestral Instruments



You will have received your instrument choices for next year's Musicianship Programme and we look forward to receiving your preference forms. This year, we have chosen to focus more on orchestral instruments to encourage uptake in these instruments. Your choices will reflect this focus, but we are continuing to offer samba, ukulele and recorder to some schools as they are valuable starting blocks from which to learn an orchestral instrument. The skills learnt in the whole class programme are easily transferable for the continuation part of the programme regardless of which instrument they learn as a class.

Demonstrations by our talented musicians in subscribing core schools and The Blandford Schools with Tesco Bags for Help funding will focus on learning orchestral instruments.

Our ever popular instrument demonstrations will begin again in September. These demonstrations are the perfect way to inspire your pupils to learn to play a musical instrument and explore the different instruments available. Our team of musicians will visit your school to deliver a 30 minute assembly which focuses on different instruments with demonstrations of each instruments capabilities and a whole host of wonderful music along the way! Book your demonstration now on Dorset Nexus.

"Thank you so much for visiting us today, we always enjoy your performances. We appreciated the chance for our youngest children to come in on their 3rd day of school!" - Feedback from a school following their demonstration last year.

MUSIC TUITION FOR STUDENTS IN YOUR SCHOOL



Start offering instrumental music lessons for you pupils Choose DMS and book for Autumn Term

Did you know? We subsidise tuition by £6 an hour for Dorset students with Hub funding. This is because we have a moral duty to offer tuition to all Dorset students regardless of which area of Dorset they live in. There are a wealth of competitors out there but often these competitors are not willing to travel for 30 minutes tuition to a Dorset village 40 miles from their home. We never turn work away due to distance and we are working hard to maintain a catalogue of Instructors that can meet demand. To do this we need to be able to offer them

plenty of work – so please think about supporting the music service and all Dorset's students when you are choosing a Music Tutor. The profiles of all our Instructors can now be seen on Nexus and they are a truly talented bunch!

Music Training for Summer Term – **you must** pre-book on nexus

Book your place on training by visiting <http://www.dorsetnexus.org.uk/Training>

Phase	Title	Date	Venue	Time
Primary	Network Meetings (FREE)	12 th June 2018	Colliton Club, Dorchester	16:00-17:00
All	Singing Strategy Network Meeting (FREE)	18 th June 2018	Ferndown First School	13:00-16:00

Please get in touch if your school requires some CPD training in a staff meeting – for the new academic year. We just may be able to schedule it in and with no cost to your school.

Opportunities for Students – Please share via 'Parent Mail'

Beginner Friendly Groups (BFG's)

Always welcoming new members.

Send this text via parent mail

"Dorset Music Service Beginner Friendly music groups taking place on Saturday mornings 10:30-11:30 at The Blandford School, for String, Brass, Woodwind and Guitar players aged between 7 and 12. £5 a session – why not give it a go?"

County Music Groups call for new members to start in September 2018

We have a Folk Group, a Jazz Orchestra, and two Youth Orchestras. Members can be sure to play a range of popular and new music that we promise will keep them motivated.

Send this text via parent mail

"County Music Group start back on Sunday 30th September at The Blandford School. Auditions taking place at Bryanston School and The Gillingham School.

Visit www.dorsetmusicservice.org.uk to register. Membership is only £40 a term"

Ensemble Funding – Read all about it!

We received a wealth of applications from a wide range of providers and the Strategy Group have agreed to fund the following exciting opportunities.

St George's Primary School, Portland will begin an after-school Junk Band

Purbeck Youth and Community Foundation will offer regular DJ and Rapping Sessions

Verwood Concert Brass will encourage students to play percussion by beginning a new Percussion Ensemble

Gillingham Primary School will offer an after-school String Ensemble

Portland Rocks CIC will begin an evening Pop/Jazz Ensemble at Wey Valley School