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Recitals Evening

Students from Lynch Hill, Eton End, Our Lady of Peace, and Upton Court Grammar took part in this term's recitals evening... Congratulations to all our talented young performers!

Thanks so much for the variety of music you shared with us, including a few festive classics. Once again our ceremony saw the students presented with roses as a token of congratulations. A big thank you to Haru Yoshimura, Shirley Good, Emma Holmes, Shih-Yun Shao, and Marian Bango for preparing your students for their performances.

Is your child or student learning an instrument one-to-one or in a small group? Would they benefit from the opportunity to perform? Keep an eye out for future recital evenings!

Autumn Term 2022



Slough Youth Orchestra

October saw the return of Slough Youth Orchestra! 35 experienced student musicians from Upton Court Grammar, Langley Grammar, Langley Hall, and St. Bernard's performed in the Slough Youth Orchestra concert on Friday 14th October at Langley Grammar School - directed by Tom Horn.

The students prepared their performance in the weeks leading up to the concert, thanks to the leadership of Tom Horn. They performed a wide variety of engaging repertoire to a full house, including 'Take Five' by the Dave Brubeck Quartet.

Watch them preparing here: <https://youtu.be/Nbaf9nhmBRk>

Look out for the Slough Training Orchestra dates in the new year, aimed at our younger student instrumentalists between grade 1 and 3 standard. If your child or student is of this standard, please email music.service@slough.gov.uk to register your child's interest in playing in an orchestra with other like-minded music students.

Bollywood Workshops

Through October and November, Bhangra Dance London delivered several active workshops where the students really enjoyed getting involved with bhangra dancing, as well as experiencing bhangra music. We also had Dhol drumming workshops delivered by Inspire Works, with both projects involving Wexham, Arbour Vale, Pennwood, Godolphin, Littledown, and Priory schools. It was fantastic to see so many students actively engaged in the music and dance elements of Bhangra. Watch here:

<https://youtu.be/Oh7pY58JRkQ>

Total Vocal 2022

St. Mary's Church hosted this year's Total Vocal singing event, led by singer Emma Steele. The children performed Elton John's 'I'm Still Standing', Oasis' 'Wonderwall', and 'La La Land Medley'. It was joyous to see so many schools and children involved, during a day of body percussion, fun musical activities, and singing. Watch here:

<https://youtu.be/oSMPNsxxbn8>

Holiday & Food programme (HAF)

We will be running again from Tuesday 20th - Friday 23rd December at the Grove Academy School in Chalvey.

Music Centres

FREE FOR ALL TO ATTEND!

Lynch Hill School Primary Academy hosts our Musicianship Centre for children aged 4 and up, on Thursdays after school.

In the new year we will be running 2 sessions, the first a music discovery session for ages 4-7 (3:20-4pm), the second for 8+ who already have been learning an instrument (4.15-5.15pm). Our focus is on musicianship, improvisation and bringing like-minded students together to explore new possibilities and songs on their instruments.



Slough Schools Carol Concert

December saw the return of the Slough Schools Carol Concert at St. Mary's Church. The choirs of Ryvers, Marish, St. Mary's Primary, and Phoenix Infants performed Christmas songs they had been rehearsing, interspersed with traditional readings from selected students and congregational carols sung by all parents, pupils, teachers, and members of the public who attended. Thank you to all schools for your preparation and for rounding off the term in a festive way!

Upcoming at Eton

Our annual festival of lessons and carols at Eton College Chapel is taking place on Monday 19th December, featuring local choirs.

Curve Choir Performance

Curve Choir are a group of adults in the community that meet weekly and love to sing. They recently performed at Savil Gardens and brought in the Christmas festivities with some well-known carols.

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COMPETITION



SLOUGH MUSIC SERVICE in conjunction with THAMES VALLEY POLICE & LOVE MUSIC HATE VIOLENCE

Invites Young People aged 11-18 to SING, RAP, COMPOSE A PIECE OF MUSIC or WRITE A POEM to express their feelings about KNIFE CRIME.

This comes as part of January's 'Month of Action Against Violence' during which the 'KNIFE ANGEL', a 27k sculpture made up of around 100,000 seized bladed weapons, will be hosted in the Borough Of **SLOUGH** at the Arbour Park Stadium.

COMPETITION

To Enter...
RAP
SING
WRITE
POEM
COMPOSE
MUSIC

To ENTER the COMPETITION you must be...

AGE 11-18

3 WINNERS

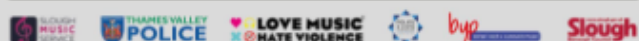
+ RUNNERS UP

COMPETITION RULES

NO SWEARING, SONGS CAN BE REAL LIFE BUT WITH A POSITIVE OUTLOOK

PRIZES • GIVEAWAYS • STUDIO TIME • MUSIC VIDEO • FREE MERCHANDISE

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL ENTRIES to: MUSIC.SERVICE@SLOUGH.GOV.UK
Competition Closes at 8pm on Friday 20th January 2023



Music Tech Centre is at Langley Grammar School on Thursdays from 4-6pm.

This is aimed at young people who have a keen interest in learning how to make modern-day computer music to an industry standard, led by seasoned producers Karl Drummond & Stephen Ambrose. The centre primes itself on using the latest software packages that enable young people to grasp the core elements of music production, creating beats, playing synths, and underpinning the theory behind production.

End of Term Performances

Special thanks to all schools that put on an end of term performance in recent weeks. This is such a crucial element of music-making and we commend you for your hard work and celebrate your fantastic achievements!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the team at Slough Music Service!