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Dear Beaver Road Parents and Carers

Students at Beaver Road have been making and enjoying a lot of music this term. They have been very creative and enthusiastic in their music lessons. Through singing, body percussion, playing tuned and untuned percussion instruments, composition, musical notation and through listening to specific genres (such as blues and rock) every year group has been very busy and engaged. In Year 3, all students are learning the ukulele this year, with a visiting specialist teacher. This is called "WCET" (Whole Class Ensemble Teaching) and is going very well. Our choirs are also up and running, and have been rehearsing for all of our upcoming performances and trips. The Junior Choir performed "Ain't no mountain high enough" for our Black History Month Exhibition last Friday, and were all full of energy and confidence, which was a joy to see.



We are very excited to announce some upcoming music events and trips in the run up to Christmas. There are a lot of exciting things going on, and we will shortly send out messages and surveys to the parents and carers of students who are involved in each of them. We are very much looking forward to all of these great opportunities:

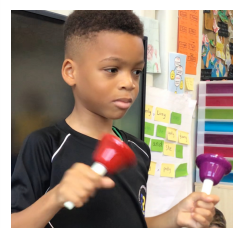


Firstly, a series of four Friday concerts will be held in the Junior School hall, from 2.15 to 2.45. These are for **Year 4, 5 and 6 students**, and parents/carers will be invited to attend as audience members. Some beginners may not be ready to perform yet, or may not wish to, and music teachers will have conversations with the students regarding this. In such cases, they will be invited to listen, and will perform at the next concert series. **Year 3s, and the first school choir, will also be invited to perform at the next series, which will be in May.**

- Fri 17th Nov: Junior Choir and Piano Students
- Fri 24th Nov: Junior Strings Students
- Fri 1st Dec: Junior Brass and Woodwind Students
- Fri 8th Dec: Junior Guitar Students

In addition to these concerts, we have two choir trips to sing Christmas songs and carols in our local community:

- Tues 5th Dec: First School Choir will sing carols at Parkfield Court Retirement Home
- Mon 11th Dec: Junior School Choir will sing carols at the Christie Hospital



For both of these events, we will be asking for parent volunteers to help us to walk there. Both are local, and we will set off after lunch and be back for the end of the school day. Surveys will be sent round shortly, so that you can let us know if you would like to volunteer.

In the new year we will be starting some after school music ensembles at Beaver Road. More information about these will follow shortly. For now, we wish you a very joyful festive season and look forward to seeing you at some of our events.

Best wishes from Jennifer Lowe, Elaine Judd and the Music Team

