

Swindon Music Service

School E-Mail Newsletter

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“Swindon Music Service is now a new charity”

Welcome

You are probably aware that Swindon Music Service (SMS) is now a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) registered with the Charities Commission for England and Wales (No.1179203). We left the council’s traded services on 1st April of this year and have spent the last 3 months setting up to avoid any disruption to our customers.

Our contact details have changed!

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What’s in this Newsletter

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What's On!

You can access the songs for the Infant Music Festival.

Click here: <https://smscio.org>

*"The event was amazing!
How nice it was to see children from different schools sharing their musical achievement – I thoroughly recommend it to other schools"* Head Teacher



The theme for the Infant Music Festival – The Greatest Show

A reminder that you can download the songs for this year's Infant Music Festival from our website (See link to website's Home page – Nugget at bottom of page) Tickets are on sale at the Wyvern theatre box office. You can also purchase tickets on line: <https://swindontheatres.co.uk/Online/tickets-infant-voice-festival-swindon-2019> Tickets are going fast so do alert your parents if your school is taking part this year.

Whole Class – First Access Celebration

Schools will be celebrating their whole-class music progress towards the end of this term. We also invited schools to participate in a schools' sharing concert held at this Platform on 19th & 20th June.

Five schools took part and many parents and family members came to form an audience.

If you would like to take part in this celebration, please **contact Paul Rowe**. We are looking to extend the offer next year.

School Offer – What's New!

Virtual School of Music

As a part of our commitment to musical progression, we are looking to expand our out-of-school tuition programme into schools. This will allow schools that already have our tutors visiting their school to facilitate more focused individual or paired instrumental tuition. By this, creating a formal progression route for those who wish to continue learning a musical instrument. Here, schools can either purchase the tutor's time through our traded service agreement with you, or we can invoice parents direct through our on-line paying system – **ParentMail**. All pupils receiving this offer will automatically become members of the borough's musical groups, bands and ensembles: **Swindon Young Musicians and**, where applicable, receive the use of a **musical instrument** for no extra cost. If you are interested in rolling this offer out to your pupils and parents, please contact **Paul Rowe** Email: prowe@smscio.co.uk . You can also request a brochure.

Congratulations Swindon Young Musicians

The **senior Jazz Orchestra** has been selected to perform at the **National Music for Youth Festival** alongside other groups from across the country in Birmingham on 5th July. **The Wind Band** is also going to be playing at the Greenwich **Health & Wellbeing Festival** on 14th July.

