

Dear Player / Parent

Luton Music Service Concerts – Spring Term 2020

Saturday Music Centre concerts – 11.00am and 2.00pm – 28 March 2020

Please note: There will be TWO Saturday Music Centre concerts this term. Please read the arrival times carefully. The concerts will take place at Ashcroft High School, Crawley Green Road, Luton, LU2 9AG, on Saturday 28 March at 11.00am and 2.00pm. The concerts will last approximately 1 hour but may overrun slightly due to the large amount of music your children have prepared.

The 11.00am concert will include the following groups:

Mini Music	Beginner Guitar	Bassoony Tunes
Ukulele Orchestra	Junior Guitar	Rock Band B

The above groups should arrive at **9.00am (10.00am if only in Mini Music)** for rehearsals on the day of the concert.

The 2.00pm concert will include the following groups:

Intermediate Guitar, Junior Strings, Senior Percussion, Funk Orchestra, Jazz Band and Rock Band A

Those students involved in the afternoon concert but not the morning concert will need to arrive at **12.00pm** for rehearsals. **Those students involved in both concerts will need to bring a packed lunch and a drink for between concerts.**

Tuck and refreshments will not be available to purchase on 28 March.

There will be **no charge** for these concerts but you will have the opportunity to make a donation.

Parents will NOT BE ALLOWED into the theatre during rehearsals. The dining hall will be available if you wish to wait before the concert. Buggies will need to be left in the plaza as there is no room in the theatre due to large audience numbers and a lack of space.

We would like to politely request that audience members stay until the end of concerts, as it is disruptive if people leave partway through.

If this is your child's first concert, please be aware that the structure of the concert days is very different and there will be some waiting around.

Evening Music Centre ensemble performances – with Saturday Music Centre ensembles

Once again, several Saturday Music Centre ensembles will join other Luton Music Service ensembles in their end of term concerts. If your child's Music Centre ensemble appears in the list of concerts below, you will need to complete the attached reply slip. ***If we do not receive a completed reply slip, your child will not be allowed to participate. This is for safeguarding reasons.***

For all evening concerts:

- Please send your child with a snack and a drink (not fizzy), if you wish, and please remind them that they must only consume them in the designated areas.
- Please ensure that your child takes a music stand.
- Students must not leave site once they have arrived for the concert.
- There will be **no charge** for the concerts but you will have the opportunity to make a donation.

Tuesday 24 March – Ashcroft High School, Crawley Green Road, LU2 9AG

Luton Youth Concert Band, Junior Band, Junior Brass & Senior Brass.

Please could LYCB arrive by 4.45pm, Senior Brass by 5.20pm, Junior Band by 5.40pm and Junior Brass ALSO by 5.40pm. The concert starts at 7.00pm.

Wednesday 25 March – Ashcroft High School, Crawley Green Road, LU2 9AG

Luton Youth Percussion Orchestra, Luton Youth Cantores, Junior Percussion & Boyz Make Some Noyz.

Please could LYPO arrive by 4.45pm, Cantores by 4.45pm, Junior Percussion by 5.25pm and BMSN by 5.35pm. The concert starts at 7.00pm.

Thursday 26 March – Ashcroft High School, Crawley Green Road, LU2 9AG

Luton Youth Orchestra, Woodwind Ensemble, Senior Strings & Junior Orchestra.

Please could LYO arrive by 4.45pm, Woodwind Ensemble by 5.25pm, Senior Strings by 5.40pm and Junior Orchestra by 5.55pm. The concert starts at 7.00pm.

Tuesday 31 March – Factory Floor, The Hat Factory, 65-67 Bute Street, LU1 2EY

Luton Youth Jazz Orchestra Leavers' Gig.

Please could LYJO arrive by 4.45pm. The concert starts at 7.00pm.

Concert/Performance Dress

For **Saturday Music Centre ensembles**, concert dress is white shirt/blouse, black skirt/trousers, bow ties for the boys if possible, black shoes and socks. Please bring a labelled music stand, as there will be NO spares. For **Evening Music Centre ensembles**, follow your ensemble's uniform guidelines.

Permission Slips

Please fill in the attached permission slip and return it by email to Luton Music Service at lutonmusicservice@luton.gov.uk by **Monday 9 March**. If you need to post it, please send it to Luton Music Service, The Leagrave Centre, Strangers Way, Luton, LU4 9ND.

April Restart Dates

Evening Music Centre rehearsals will restart week commencing 20 April. Saturday Music Centre will restart on **2 May**. Saturday Music Centre will not run on 4, 11, 18 OR 25 April. It WILL run on the early May bank holiday weekend: 9 May.

If you have queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Luton Music Service office on 01582 538224 or at lutonmusicservice@luton.gov.uk.

Best wishes

Chris Doggett - Head of Saturday Music Centre & Julia Fraser – Operations Manager

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There is no need to complete this reply slip if your son/daughter is **not** involved in the concerts listed below.

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I give permission for my child to take part in the concerts below.
(Pupil's name)

Please place a tick beside **all** of the ensembles that are applicable to your child.

Tuesday 24 March	
Luton Youth Concert Band	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior Band	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior Brass	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Brass	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thursday 26 March	
Luton Youth Orchestra	<input type="checkbox"/>
Woodwind Ensemble	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Strings	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior Orchestra	<input type="checkbox"/>

Wednesday 25 March	
Luton Youth Percussion Orchestra	<input type="checkbox"/>
Luton Youth Cantores	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior Percussion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boyz Make Some Noyz	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tuesday 31 March	
Luton Youth Jazz Orchestra	<input type="checkbox"/>

Medical requirements:

Emergency contact details for these dates:

I hereby give permission for the above to take part in this/these concerts. I understand that I will need to make arrangements to get them to and from the venue.

Yes / No I give my child permission to make their own way home.

Yes / No I will collect my child from the concert/s.

I understand that the adults supervising the pupils will take all reasonable care of my child, but that neither they nor the Authority can necessarily be held liable in respect of, or damage to, property of my child arising from the activity unless that loss, damage or injury results from the negligence of Luton Borough Council, its employees or official volunteers. I agree to my child receiving medication, if required, as instructed by medical authorities present

Signed (Parent/Carer): Date: