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Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to invite you to attend the Bedfordshire Music Trust **February Half Term Courses 2014**. We will be running two courses over the first weekend of Half Term: the **Chamber Course** and **Junior Strings**.

Chamber Course

BMT's Chamber courses have been a great success for 23 years, and this promises to be similarly exciting and varied course, under the experienced leadership of professional musician and teacher Jan Kaznowski.

Course dates: Saturday 15th - Monday 17th February, 9:30am - 4:00pm, Redborne Upper
Concert: Monday 17th February, 7:00pm, Redborne Upper, FREE.

The Chamber Course is open to all **String players of Grade 4/5+ and all Woodwind and Brass players of Grade 5+ standard** (up to the age of 21). This stimulating and unusual course provides an opportunity to learn and perform classical and contemporary chamber music repertoire in small groups of three - five musicians, supported by a team of expert tutors. The course will culminate in a concert for friends and family, enabling the students to witness other groups at work as well.

The February Chamber Course will cost **£70**.

Junior Strings Course

Junior Strings is an informal, fun-filled course led by Alexandra Nash, aimed at providing young string players with their first opportunity to play in a full-scale ensemble. Students rehearse in smaller sectionals as well as a full ensemble, preparing an enjoyable programme of music to perform to family and friends in an informal concert at the end of the course.

Course dates: Saturday 15th - Sunday 16th February, 9:30am - 4:00pm, Redborne Upper
Concert: Sunday 16th February, 4:30pm, Redborne Upper, retiring collection for FBYM.

Junior Strings is open to **all String players of Grade 1-2 standard**. There are **no auditions**, however entry is requisite on teacher recommendation. Students are expected to be confident at reading notes, and to be able to read at least Bb, Eb and F natural.

The February Junior Strings Course will cost **£20**.

If you would like to attend the February Chamber or Junior Strings Course please complete the attached form and return to either: kerri-anne@bedfordshiremusictrust.org.uk or **February Course, The Bedfordshire Music Trust, The White House, Odell Road, Sharnbrook, Bedford MK44 1JL**

In order to allow us time to process applications and organise the Chamber ensembles, you **MUST** complete and return the attached form by **FRIDAY 17th JANUARY** at the very latest.

We will endeavour to place all applicants for the Chamber course in suitably matched ensembles, however **LATE** applications to the Chamber Course may result in a lack of space in suitable ensembles, in which case we will refund the course fee.



Financial Difficulty

In cases of financial difficulty, the **Friends of Bedfordshire Youth Music** organisation may be able to support your application. The Friends are keen to help all those who might be eligible for financial support to attend the Youth Music courses (for full details, including new grants criteria and submission information, please visit www.fbym.org.uk/grants).

Transport

If you are travelling by car please indicate on the form whether or not you are happy for your contact details to be shared for the purposes of lift-sharing only. If you are having difficulty with transport and would like help in making private lift-sharing arrangements please email Kerri-Anne by **Friday 17th January** at the latest. We will then send you contact details of parents in your area.

Payment for the February Chamber or Junior Strings course can be made either by **online transfer** or **cheque** (please note we are unable to reimburse your course fee if you cancel within two weeks of the start date of, or during, the course). Cheques should be made payable to **Bedfordshire Music Trust** and sent to the address detailed above along with your application form. BMT account details:

Account Number: 10059862
Sort Code: 16-13-07
Bank: Royal Bank of Scotland

If you are paying by Bank Transfer please provide reference code 'CC FEB14' or 'JS FEB14' with the student's INITIALS and SURNAME. **Please confirm your unique reference code on the attached form.**

Should you be unable to attend a course this time but would like to be invited to future events please still complete and return the attached form. All information sent to you by the Trust will be by email so please ensure you provide a **clear, current email address**. To ensure you receive our emails please add kerri-anne@bedfordshiremusictrust.org.uk to your email contact list.

All application forms, and details of our courses and concerts can be found on our **Facebook groups** '**Bedfordshire Music Trust**' and '**Bedfordshire Youth Choir**', or at www.fbym.org.uk.



JUNIOR STRINGS AND CHAMBER COURSES 15 – 17 FEBRUARY 2014

STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY IN BLOCK CAPITALS. One form per student. To be completed by a PARENT/CARER if student is under 18. ALL sections marked with * MUST be completed by/for ALL students or your application form may not be processed.

*Student's Name: *D.O.B.: *Age:

*Instrument: Experience level/Grade:

*I am/My child is applying for (delete as applicable): JUNIOR STRINGS/CHAMBER COURSE

Parent Contact Details: *Email: (please write clearly)

*Name: *Mob (Emergency contact number):

Student Contact Details: Mob:

Email: (please write clearly)

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING ONLY IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST COURSE OR TO UPDATE ANY INFORMATION THAT HAS CHANGED SINCE THE LAST COURSE YOU ATTENDED

*Address:

..... *Postcode:

School/College/University:

*Instrumental Teacher: Contact details:

*Does the student have any known medical condition or special needs? YES / NO (delete as applicable)

If yes, please give details (including medication):

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Chamber Course only:

Who would you prefer to work with?

Who would you prefer not to work with?

Any suggestions for repertoire?

*I/My child wishes to attend the Chamber Course: YES / NO (delete as applicable) Cost £70

*I/My child wishes to attend Junior Strings Course: YES / NO (delete as applicable) Cost £20

*Payment: (delete as applicable)

I enclose a cheque payable to 'Bedfordshire Music Trust' for: £.....

OR I am paying by online bank transfer, my reference code is: "CC FEB14/JS FEB14"

OR I have successfully applied to FBYM, reference number:

*I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions (overleaf)

Should you not wish to have your contact details shared with other families with a view to lift-sharing tick this box

Should you not agree to photographs being taken of your child please tick this box

*Signed:

Student (if aged over 18)/Parent/Carer (please delete as applicable)

*Date:

FOR OFFICE USE:

FBYM ref/percentage:

Outstanding balance:

Date application received:

Name on cheque:



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Terms and Conditions:

I understand that all personal belongings, including musical instruments, are brought to and left on the courses entirely at the owner's risk and neither the Bedfordshire Music Trust nor its partners will be liable for any loss or damage to personal belongings .

I understand and accept that, whilst the staff supervising students on the course will take all reasonable care, neither the staff nor the Bedfordshire Music Trust or its partners can necessarily be held liable for any personal injury, loss of/damage to property, unless such personal injury, loss of or damage to property is due to the negligence of the staff or the Bedfordshire Music Trust and for which the staff and/or the Bedfordshire Music Trust are legally liable.

I understand that the information provided above will be used by Bedfordshire Music Trust for their own purposes only, and will not be shared with any other organisations.

For students aged under 18:

I understand that it is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure safe transport of students to and from all course/concert venues at the published times and that Bedfordshire Music Trust's duty of care begins upon arrival at the rehearsal/concert venue each day and ends at time of departure as detailed in the course timetable.

I agree to my son/daughter receiving medication as instructed and any emergency medical, surgical or dental treatment, including anaesthetic or blood transfusion, as considered necessary by the medical authorities attending. BMT staff are under no obligation to administer medication but may do so only if full details are provided in writing prior to the course.

Students under 18 will not be permitted to leave the course venue during the course without prior written permission from their parent/carer.

The Bedfordshire Music Trust and/or its partners may take photographs/videos of ensembles and musicians, which may be used to publicise music making activities. In such circumstances individual students will not be identified and images will not be made available to any other organisation.

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