



St Catherine's BRAMLEY

Patron: Her Royal Highness, The Duchess of Cornwall

Headmistress: Mrs AM Phillips MA Cantab

27th March 2019

For the attention of the teacher responsible for Music

Each Summer Term, St Catherine's puts together an orchestra of students from Year 5 upwards to work towards a concert performance with an emphasis on fun and working together to make music of a good standard. This is an excellent opportunity for girls who may never have played in an orchestra before to have the experience of doing so, and to develop as musicians with tuition from our instrumental specialists.

This year, we would very much like to invite any girls in Year 5 and Year 6 in your school to take part in the orchestra, free of charge. There is no audition, but they would need to play an orchestral instrument to approximately Grade 3 standard or above. The rehearsals and the final concert will be held at St Catherine's School. Each rehearsal starts at 4.10pm with tea for all the musicians together, followed by rehearsals either in sections or as a full orchestra from 4.20pm until 5.45pm. The girls would need to be brought to St Catherine's and collected by their parents or another adult as appropriate.

The rehearsal dates are as follows

- Friday 10th May 4.20-5.45pm
- Friday 17th May 4.20-5.45pm
- Friday 24th May 4.20-5.45pm
- Friday 7th June 4.20-5.45pm
- Friday 14th June 4.20-5.45pm

The final concert is on **Friday 21st June** in the Auditorium of St Catherine's School, starting at 7pm and ending at approximately 9.15pm. There will be a rehearsal beforehand at a time to be confirmed (approximately 5pm) and a hot meal will be provided for performers before the concert.

Performers would need to be able to commit to all rehearsals and the final concert, although we are understanding if they are unable to make one of the five rehearsals. Family and friends are, of course, very welcome to support the final concert, which is free of charge and unticketed.

We would be very grateful if you would advertise this opportunity to any girls whom you think would be interested. Please contact us via music@stcatherines.info if you have any questions or wish to register your students for the orchestra; we will then provide further information. Places are limited and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis regardless of instrument, so we would encourage an early response.

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I look forward to hearing from you and to working with your young musicians.

With very best wishes

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to read 'M.C.G.' followed by a stylized flourish.

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