



SPRING TERM 2018 ROUND-UP

Music making for children & young people in Torbay

Happy New Year! As the new terms gets underway, here's an update on:

- events and activities this term (starts on this page)
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SPRING TERM – EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

MONDAYS:

Acorn Roots Choir

Sing, write songs and learn healthy vocal techniques with a fun, friendly group

Age 8 – 16 years, opportunities to perform. All voices welcome.

Check out a video of the children of the Acorn Roots Choir working with Wren Music leaders Emily Howard and Paul Wilson:



https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=22&v=amh9u8f1naQ

When: Mondays from 15 January, *time to be confirmed*

Where: *Venue to be confirmed*

Cost: Free

Info: Paul Wilson on **07855 882319** or Wren Music office on **01837 53754**, info@wrenmusic.co.uk for time and venue

TUESDAYS/WEDNESDAYS:

Soundlaunch

Sessions in songwriting, performance and artist development

If you love writing music and performing, come and get involved with our clubs and workshops and play some great gigs and festivals too.

Sunday 4 February is our next 'studio day' where you can write, collaborate and record your track in a day 10.30-4pm, cost £20.

Age 13 years+, any genre of music.

When: Tuesdays and Wednesdays 6.30 – 8.00pm

Where: 118 Union Street, Torquay above IRize

Cost: Free taster session then from £5 a session

Info: Kate Graham, **07791 619393**,

soundlaunch@gmail.com

Facebook: soundlaunch

www.soundlaunch.co.uk



WENESDAYS:

ASRUS music sessions

Social and support group for children and young people with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their siblings (with or without formal diagnosis)

Along with play, arts and crafts, forest school and sports activities, ASRUS offers basic music sessions for children and young people – playing the guitar and singing are very popular.

Supports and signposts parents, reducing feelings of isolation.



When: Wednesdays 6.30 – 8.00pm

Where: YMCA, Dartmouth Road, Paignton, Devon, TQ4 6NX

Cost: £3 per child (per session), adults free

Info: **01803 850157** or tanny@stobart.co.uk

<http://playtorbay.org.uk/asrus-torbay/>

FRIDAYS:

Torbay and South Devon Music Centre

Opportunities for young people age 5 – 18 to enjoy playing music together

There are ensembles and bands for players of all standards and all ages, from 5 upwards. New members can join at any time.

No auditions: beginners welcome. Led by experienced musicians. Concerts in Devon and Torbay.

Concert at the Ariel Centre in Totnes on Sunday 25 March, and the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Symphony for All on 28 March – see details on page 5.



When: Most Fridays 4.30 – 7.00pm during term time, starting 12 January

Where: Boys Grammar School, Torquay

Cost: £38 a term, £20 a term for the Fast Forward group. There are reductions for families. Free places are available if you are in receipt of free school meals

Info: 07977 588527, www.tsdmc.org.uk, tsdmc@btinternet.com,
Twitter @torbaymusiccent and Facebook

FROM FEBRUARY

South West Music School

Applications open in February for the next academic year

South West Music School helps gifted young musicians age 8 – 18 years, wherever they live in the south west, reach their full musical potential, offering four programmes depending on age and ability.

Info: 0117 405 7235

info@swms.org.uk

www.swms.org.uk



Professional musicians come to your school for an interactive concert or workshop – spring term programme: harp and flute duo Heather Wrighton and Rosanna Ter-Berg.



Open to primary, secondary and special schools in Torbay who can choose from a large-group concert or a single-class workshop

Heather Wrighton was inspired to play the harp at the age of six and studied at Trinity College of Music, then at The Royal Academy of Music, London.

From a young age Heather has been interested in different types of harps and in addition to the Classical Harp she plays Celtic, Baroque triple and Paraguayan Harps.

Flautist Rosanna Ter-Berg has performed across the UK and Europe in major concert venues, festivals and live on radio. Rosanna enjoys a varied musical career as a soloist, orchestral and chamber musician, educator and improviser.



“Many of our children had never seen live music performed by a professional group. It was certainly an inspirational experience for many of our children and helped us in meeting the requirements of the music curriculum.” (Torbay teacher)

Age group: from KS1 to KS4, including special schools – will be tailored to age group

Live Music Now in partnership with Torbay Music Hub

When:	Dates: 12, 13, 14 and 15 March Timings are flexible – please get in touch to discuss options for each date
Where:	Your school
Cost:	£138/session
Book:	Contact 07939 013501 , amy.ward@livemusicnow.org

Young people age 7-21 are invited to join members of the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra (BSO) for a massed ensemble celebration of music

- **Rehearsal and Coaching evening: Friday 23 February**
- **Performance: Wednesday 28 March**

Together we will rehearse and perform a world premiere of a new piece of music, improve our technique and work alongside professional musicians.

Torbay Symphony for All by composer Peadar Townsend is designed to be performed by musicians from absolute beginner to professional, bringing together a huge number of musicians in one large ensemble. This event is open to young people from across the Bay, whether you are already involved in an ensemble or not.



Symphony for All has been commissioned and developed by Torbay Music Hub

January: Music is being sent out to all registered participants

Friday 23 February: Rehearsal and coaching evening with BSO at South Devon Music Centre <http://tsdmc.org.uk> with professional players at Torbay and – open to all project attenders, regardless of whether they are currently a music centre member

Wednesday 28 March: Riviera Centre, Torquay – afternoon rehearsal then participants stay on site for evening performance to friends, family and local community

Sign up: Follow this link to BSO's secure registration account and enter your details:
www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TorbaySymphony

Info: Caz Creagh at BSO, 01202 644725, ccreagh@bsorchestra.co.uk

OPEN TO JOIN

Torbay Children's Choir

Open to 8-11 year olds; for all keen, ambitious singers whatever their experience

This choir has begun really strongly, with three groups of dedicated and generally fabulous singers!

Those who were able to, sang at Christmas by the Sea and the Civic and Community Carol Service and are looking forward to further performances during the spring and summer terms.

Despite being held in particular schools, the choir is open to children from any school in Torbay so please help us get the word out!



Contact: Annabelle Knowles, 01803 208917, annabelle.knowles@torbay.gov.uk

26, 27 & 28 MARCH

Torbay Schools' Festival of Performing Arts

Bands, orchestras, choirs, performing arts groups and our very special inaugural performance of the Torbay Symphony for All

Schools have already signed up, but we might be able to squeeze another one in!



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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY 4 JANUARY

Networking for peripatetic teachers

The next networking event for peripatetic teachers takes place on Thursday 4 January. Two meetings will be held during the afternoon and evening to make this accessible for teachers. We will be discussing an associate scheme for peripatetic teachers in Torbay, as suggested at the last meeting.

Register: Visit eventbrite.co.uk and search for 'Networking for peripatetic teachers'

FRIDAY 2 FEBRUARY

South West Peninsular Music Conference for Teachers

A collaborative music education conference for school and community music practitioners in Cornwall, Devon, Plymouth and Torbay. Workshops for all key stages to include Snappy Opera, BBC Ten Pieces, Inclusive Music Technology, Jazz Education, Music for Early Years, Primary Choirs, RSL Music Practitioners and New approaches for GCSE Composition.

Cost: £85.00. TTSA schools should sign up through the teaching school as they will be paid for by the Alliance

Info/book: www.babcock-education.co.uk/ldp/courses

OTHER NEWS FROM THE HUB

Instrument hire

We have a vast range of good quality instruments available for students to hire.

Contact: Ryan Hamilton, 01803 208917, ryan.hamilton@torbay.gov.uk

Bursaries for instrumental tuition

Students on Pupil Premium, or facing hardship and unable to afford instrumental tuition, can apply via their school for funding to help with the cost of this. Torbay provides 50% to eligible students and schools can opt to provide up to 50% at their own discretion.

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