



March 2024

Dear Parent

Headteacher - Patrick Earnshaw  
Deputy Headteacher - Mathew Downs

Thank you for your support with the musical events that we have been able to run this term. Our musicians have had the opportunity to represent Highcliffe School on several occasions showcasing their dedication and hard work across a variety of events including the Rotary Young Musicians Competition, the School Production, the Primary Schools Music Tour and the New Milton Music Festival.

Next term will be equally busy with Highcliffe School participating in the following events –

Concert	Venue	Date
'Come Together'	Twynham School	11 <sup>th</sup> May
Highcliffe Food Festival	Highcliffe	8 <sup>th</sup> June
Senior Singing Ensemble	Bournemouth Music Competitions Festival	21 <sup>st</sup> June
Sing! Summer Festival	Highcliffe School	2 <sup>nd</sup> July
Summer Concert '24	Highcliffe School	5 <sup>th</sup> July

'Come Together' is a joint concert with Christchurch Music Centre organised by our Woodwind Specialist and Ensemble Leader, Mrs Wallace and will take place at 7pm on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May at Twynham School. More details for this event will be published on the CMC website <http://www.christchurchmusiccentre.co.uk>

The Highcliffe Woodwind Ensemble and the Jazz Band will be representing Highcliffe School in this concert. On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May there will be a short rehearsal in the morning between 10.30am – 12.00pm. This is a Christchurch Music Centre event and participants will not be directly supervised by Highcliffe School staff. The evening concert is free although there will be an opportunity to make contributions. Students will be required to wear full school uniform in the evening. Please could I ask you to return the permission slip below indicating if your child is able to take part.

Highcliffe Brass, Highcliffe Woodwind and the Jazz Band will again be performing at the annual Highcliffe Food Festival at the Main Stage on the Green on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June this year at the earlier time of 10.40am - 11.30am. We would ask that all performers please meet at the stage on the recreation ground with their instruments ready and be registered by 10am in time for the concert start. After your child has performed you are welcome to stay and enjoy the other performances from Highcliffe School or to explore the many other entertainments at the Festival. Students are free to leave the stage area once they have performed but will need to sign out with a member of Highcliffe School staff. Further details of the Festival can be found on the website <https://www.highcliffefoodandartsfestival.co.uk/>. If you would like your child to take part in this event, please could I ask you to indicate on the permission slip and return it to me as soon as possible.

If you have any queries regarding either of these events, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Mr R Bannister  
Head of Music

**PLEASE RETURN TO MR BANNISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

Student name: .....

Tutor Group .....

Is able to participate in (please tick each event)

- 'Come Together' on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May (Jazz Band and Woodwind Ensemble) - *I understand that this is not a Highcliffe School event and participants would not be directly supervised by Highcliffe staff*
- Highcliffe Food Festival on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June (Jazz, Brass and Woodwind Ensembles)

Signed (Parent) .....

