

Only Strings Aloud

October 2021

Ever wanted to play a string instrument and join an orchestra to play with others? Then 'Only Strings Aloud' is the place for you!

Only Strings Aloud is a repeat of a very successful music project run in previous years by Midlothian's Instrumental Music Service for **P5 pupils** in Midlothian that gives an opportunity to learn to play a string instrument as part of a string orchestra. Weekly sessions will take place throughout the year on **Mondays from 4-6pm in Lasswade High School, starting 29 November**. Each session will consist of rehearsals/classes where pupils will receive expert tuition on their own chosen instrument, on musicianship and on playing together as an orchestra, all in a fun and friendly environment!

This year-long project has been financed by *Creative Scotland* through its *Youth Music Initiative* and is free to pupils – they'll even be provided with an instrument for the duration of the project, and all the music they need!

If your child is interested in taking part, we would like to invite them to one of two introductory meetings on **Monday 15 November at Lasswade High School**. You will get a chance to see and hear the instruments on offer (violin, viola, cello and double bass) and then pupils can choose which instrument they would like to be considered for. We will try to accommodate pupil's first choice of instrument, however we may find that they are more suited to one instrument than another.

The introductory meetings will run from 4 – 4.30pm & 4.40 – 5.10pm on Monday 15 November. We would ask that all interested pupils register their interest by email with the group leader, Miss Tracey Dance (t.dance@midlothian.education), by Wednesday 10 November, additionally stating which introductory session you would prefer to attend. Miss Dance will endeavour to respond to all applicants in advance of these sessions, informing you of which session to attend, in the hope that all applicants can be allocated their preference.

We anticipate that this project will be very popular and although we hope to be able to give a place in the project to every child that comes, this may not be feasible if numbers are too big! You will be informed by Friday 26 November as to whether your child has been successful in gaining a place and on which instrument.

Please note that this project will be fully risk assessed, and delivered in line with all current Covid safety protocols.





Class Brass

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Have you ever wanted to play a brass instrument and join a brass band to play with others? Then 'Class Brass' is the place for you!

Class Brass is a repeat of the very successful music project run by Midlothian's Instrumental Music Service for **P5 pupils** in Midlothian that gives an opportunity to learn to play a brass instrument as part of a brass band. This is for absolute beginners who have never played before.

Weekly sessions will take place throughout the year on **Mondays from 4.15-5.45pm in St John's/King's Park Church, Dalkeith, starting on 29 November**. Each session will consist of rehearsals / classes where pupils will receive expert tuition on their own chosen instrument, on musicianship and on playing together as a brass band, all in a fun and friendly environment!

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If your child is interested in taking part, we would like to invite them to one of two introductory meetings on **Monday 15 November at St John's/King's Park Church, Dalkeith**. You will get a chance to see and hear the instruments on offer (including cornet, trombone, baritone, euphonium, tuba etc.) and then pupils can choose which instrument they would like to be considered for. We will try to accommodate pupil's first choice of instrument, however we may find that they are more suited to one instrument than another.

The introductory meetings will run from 4.15 – 4.45pm & 5 – 5.30pm on Monday 15 November. We would ask that all interested pupils register their interest by email with the group co-leader, Mr Ross Walker (r.walker@midlothian.education), by Wednesday 10 November, additionally stating which introductory session you would prefer to attend. Mr Walker will endeavour to respond to all applicants in advance of these sessions, informing you of which session to attend, in the hope that all applicants can be allocated their preference.

We anticipate that this project will be very popular and although we hope to be able to give a place in the project to every child that comes, this may not be feasible if numbers are too big! Places are limited. You will be informed by Friday 26 November as to whether your child has been successful in gaining a place and on which instrument.

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Clarinet Club

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Have you ever wanted to play the clarinet and join a music group to play with others? Then 'Clarinet Club' is the place for you!

Clarinet Club is a new project for 2021/22 and will run alongside, as well as building on the success of our existing string and brass projects run by Midlothian's Instrumental Music Service. This opportunity is open to all **P5 pupils** in Midlothian, and will give them an opportunity to learn to play the clarinet as part of a group. This is for absolute beginners who have never played before.

Weekly sessions will take place throughout the year on **Fridays from 1.30 - 3pm in St John's/King's Park Church, Dalkeith, starting 19 November**. Each session will consist of rehearsals/classes where pupils will receive expert tuition on the clarinet, on musicianship and on playing together as part of a group, all in a fun and friendly environment!

This project is being financed by *Creative Scotland* through its *Youth Music Initiative* and is therefore free for pupils – they'll even be provided with an instrument and all the music they need!

If your child is interested in taking part, we would like to invite you all to an introductory meeting at 1.30pm **on Friday 19 November at St John's/King's Park Church, Dalkeith**, at which group numbers can be determined, and pupils given a professional demonstration of the instrument.

We anticipate that this project will be very popular and although we hope to be able to give a place in the project to every child that comes, this may not be feasible if numbers are too big! Places are limited.

If you require any further information, or would like to register your interest in advance, then please do not hesitate to contact Mr Robert Dick (YMI Co-ordinator for Midlothian) at Robert.Dick2@midlothian.gov.uk.

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