

From The Director of Music, Michael Stinton

17 June 2016

To Parents of musicians involved in the Christmas Concert

Dear Parents

This is to confirm the arrangements for the Summer Concert in the Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford, on Wednesday 29 June.

Members of the Symphonic Wind and Big Bands will leave school by coach at 14.00, other members of the First Orchestra at 15.05 (after lesson 6), and of the Second Orchestra at 16.05 (after lesson 7).

All participants will be involved in a programme of rehearsals from 14.30. The Bands rehearsals will finish by 15.45, the First Orchestra by 16.45, the Second Orchestra by 17.30 and the Chamber Orchestra by 18.00.

The concert starts at 19.00. For those living in Oxford, there may be time for them to return home for supper. It will be necessary for others to make their own arrangements, probably purchasing from one of the many fast-food outlets located close to the Sheldonian, or bringing a packed supper which may be consumed in the basement 'green room' of the Sheldonian.

The programme order will be Orchestras in the first half, a short interval, and Bands in the second half, concluding with the Joint Chamber Choir.

The concert will finish around 21.30. All participants will be expected to remain until the Theatre is cleared of chairs and other furniture, and the school's equipment carried out to the van. It will be helpful to expedite this process if audience members do not gather around exits.

It is expected that the majority of participants will go home with parents after the concert, but transport arrangements can be made for any who need to return to school.

Contact number at the Sheldonian Theatre for afternoon/evening of the concert day only: 07889 131372.

We would be most grateful if you would very kindly complete the attached permission form and return it to the music office by Friday 24 June at latest, either electronically to cfc@abingdon.org.uk or on paper to the music office.

Yours sincerely

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