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Dear Parent/Carer

Yr 9 Ukulele Choir

Your son or daughter has expressed interest in taking part in the Music Department's extra-curricular provision for a 7-week ukulele project after the Easter break.

I am writing to you to share details of this provision, and to hopefully clarify any questions that might arise.

Yr 9 Ukulele choir will take place on a Friday (Week A) and Wednesday (Week B) from Friday 16th April, between 13:10 to 13:40. The rehearsal will take place in A21, which is allocated to this specific year group during the same curriculum day, so your son or daughter will be using an appropriate space that follow the college's risk management policies. As with normal (music) curriculum lessons, your son or daughter will be asked to use sanitiser on entrance/exit of their classroom, and they will be asked to leave their bags on the storage racks provided outside of the classroom. Ukuleles and plectrums will be provided for all students who attend, but students are encouraged to bring their own instrument if they have access to one.

A21 is a large room, that is a well-ventilated space. The decision has been made to cap participants to 20 students to enable safe social distancing within the classroom. Students have been asked to sign-up with myself in advance of the rehearsal, and an accurate register will be kept monitoring attendance and participation. While this extra-curricular provision is not compulsory for Yr 9 GCSE Music students, it is strongly advised that students from this class attend, in addition to students who receive peripatetic music tuition on a guitar, bass guitar or ukulele.

As Yr 9 Ukulele Choir will be taking place during break 2 of the school day, it would be most appropriate for your son or daughter to eat at break 1 or bring a packed lunch which they will be able to eat during the (break 2) rehearsal.

Thank you for your support and encouragement to get your son/daughter involved in the Music Department's extra-curricular provision, and I look forward to sharing the product of their musical participation with you in the near future!

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Newsome".

Mr J Newsome
Music Subject Leader