

7<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Cambridgeshire Music and Ely College are excited to announce that we will be running a collaborative Summer 'Come And Play' Music Course on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021. The course will take place in the Ely College Music Department, between 10am-3pm on these days (registration from 9.45am, in the Front Reception). This opportunity will be free to all participants.

### Course Information

The course is aimed at all instrumentalists in the Ely area with a **minimum of one year's playing experience up to Grade 5 standard** (Ely College students currently participating on the Overture Scheme are also invited to join this course). No previous ensemble experience is needed. Students will participate in a programme of string ensemble, wind band and orchestra sessions, and will perform some of the following pieces of music: Pirates of The Caribbean, Back to the Future, James Bond and Yellow Submarine.

This Summer Orchestra Course is also a fantastic opportunity for KS2 instrumentalists to meet and play with members of Ely College music department and for all participants to experience playing in a large ensemble. We are also looking forward to welcoming back members of the Ely Area Music Centre who have not been able to rehearse since March 2020, and this will be an appropriate platform to welcome new members also. Final details of the course cannot be confirmed until the Government announcement on 19<sup>th</sup> July, but we are hoping this will be an opportunity to bring together as many musicians as possible to make music after the past 18 months. Further information will be provided in due course, but there will be an expectation that students take an LFT test on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at home, *if your primary/secondary school normally requires LFT tests*, to minimise any risk of COVID transmission during this event.

### Registering for a place

In order to register for a place on this course, you will need to do this on the Cambridgeshire Music website. If you already have a Cambridgeshire Music account, please log into your account and on your home page you will see above your details, a banner menu which shows an "Ensembles/Media Consent" button. Please could you click on this and accept the consent.

If you are not a registered account holder please follow this link to the website:

<https://www.cambridgeshiremusic.org.uk/> and set up a free account. To do this click on "My Account" in the top right-hand corner, where you can register as a "New User Account Registration". Once you have created an account please add your child's name to the account. You will receive an email when the account set-up is complete. Once logged in please follow the instruction above to accept the media consent. Finally go to add a booking in your account and you will be able to choose "Ely Summer Orchestra" from the options. Further information will be sent out at the start of August.

### Further Information

Please can you register your interest for the Summer Orchestra Course by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July**. After this point, we will close the booking and will be in touch directly with those who have signed up after the Government's 19<sup>th</sup> July deadline to confirm that your son/daughter has been offered a place on the course and further information about the specific arrangements for these two days.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Helen Allen (Cambridgeshire Music) on: [cm@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:cm@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) or Mr Newsome (Ely College) on: [JNewsome@elycollege.co.uk](mailto:JNewsome@elycollege.co.uk)

Yours faithfully



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