

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

### Nine Lessons & Carols at Ely Cathedral – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024

I am delighted to inform you that on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024, the Music Department will be presenting our annual Nine Lesson & Carols performance at Ely Cathedral. This evening will consist of a range of music (congregational carols, reflective choral and instrumental performances) and 'lessons' (secular and sacred readings). This is second time we will be using this beautiful space as our venue for this event, and we are incredibly fortunate to have also engaged the services of esteemed musicians from Prime Brass and our own piano teacher Stephen Hession to facilitate this special evening in the school calendar.

The event will start at 7.00pm, with doors opening from 6.30pm for the general public. The evening performance will be finished around 8.00pm.

There will be a separate letter sent out to all students involved on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November - and their parents/carers – to seek permission for their involvement in the event, and to outline further details with regards to rehearsals.

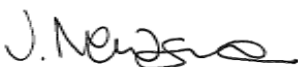
**Tickets** - We would love for parents, carers, siblings, family, staff, students and the wider Ely College community to join us and support this event. In order for us to gauge numbers, we ask that all ticket requests are made via WisePay, using the 'Nine Lessons & Carols at Ely Cathedral' link. Please select the number of (general) tickets required as audience members. While there will be no charge to attend this event, we kindly ask that a donation is made via WisePay to raise funds that will be split between the Music Department and a school charity (Ely Food Bank). This option will be available on WisePay below the ticket amount.

All tickets for this event will need to be secured via WisePay by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 3pm, and will be available from Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 3pm. There will be no requirement to physically show any tickets at the venue, and we won't be running a check-in desk like normal Music concerts.

We are coordinating with Ely Cathedral with regards to refreshments which may be available between 6.30pm and 7.00pm, and it is likely that both cash and card will be accepted.

This event will be a lovely opportunity to celebrate Christmas as a college, and to enjoy some beautiful music and readings performed by our students. Thank you for your continued support of Music events at Ely College and we hope to see you at this event.

Yours faithfully



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