Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Solihull Winter Festival 2017**

As part of the Winter Festival, the groups listed above will be performing in a concert at Core Theatre, Studio on Friday 24th November. The concert starts at 7.00pm.

There will be rehearsals at the venue beforehand as follows –

- **Rock and Pop**: 4.30 p.m. (arrive 4.15 p.m.)
- **Rock and Pop**: 5.00 p.m. (arrive 4.45 p.m.)
- **B92’S**: 5.30 p.m. (arrive 5.15 p.m.)
- **SMC Pans**: 6.00 p.m. (arrive 5.45 p.m.)

Pupils will remain at the venue between the rehearsal and the concert, so please make sure that your child brings a packed tea and a drink if appropriate. Players should arrive for the rehearsal in concert dress, as there will not be facilities for changing: please consult the conductor of your child’s group if you are not sure of the details of concert dress.

Please note that group members will have to make their own way to and from the venue – transport is not provided.

There will be no need for you to complete a consent form for this event as you should have completed a global consent form for all Music Service events when registering your child’s membership of their group. If you have not already done this please contact your ensemble’s conductor/director, who will be able to provide a form for you to complete.

It is expected that every child will take part in this event. If however there are exceptional circumstances that affect your son/daughter taking part I would ask that you tell their conductor/director in writing as soon as possible.
To encourage as many people as possible to come and support the event, ticket prices for this year’s winter festival concerts have been frozen and are priced as follows –

**Bushell Hall**  £5.50 full price, £3.50 concessions. (Pre–booked price)

**Purchasing Tickets. – Now available online!**

Tickets are available from the Core Box office (formally Solihull Arts Complex) on 0121 704 6962** or [www.thecoretheatresolihull.co.uk](http://www.thecoretheatresolihull.co.uk). **Tickets purchased ‘on the door’ will cost £7 and £5**

When ordering tickets please quote: **Steel Pan Concert – these will be available until noon on the day of the concert.**

If you have any problems or queries concerning any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact your child’s conductor or me through Solihull Music Service (number as at the head of this letter).

Yours sincerely,

Richard Jones  
Assistant Head of Service (Events and Ensembles)

* If ordering tickets over the phone or online there is a £1.50 transaction fee

**The Core Box Office will reopen 6.00pm - 7.30pm when there is an evening event in the Arts Complex, therefore closing times vary. A 24-Hour answer phone operates out of hours and during busy periods. Please leave your name and contact number with a brief message. Please note that for these events you will not be able to buy tickets from the Solihull Music Service.**