

To Parents/Carers of pupils learning a musical
Instrument at the following school:
Dickens Heath

CHILDREN'S SERVICES & SKILLS
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SMS Academy
Tuesday 3.45pm -5.00pm

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may already know, musical children in Solihull are given a marvellous opportunity to play in ensembles and bands throughout their time in full time education. This takes place at Solihull Music Service (SMS), Daylesford Road. Due to changes in schools and after school clubs, we recognise that many young pupils cannot access this available musical opportunity as getting to SMS for 4.30pm is not possible for some parents.

We are now trialling across the borough new music groups (known as SMS Academy) that are community based and be run as an after school club. We hope this new initiative will allow young musicians to come and be part of an ensemble which will greatly enhance their musical skills.

Pupils from the Dickens Heath are invited to join this SMS Academy which will take place on Tuesdays (3.45pm -5.00pm) in their dedicated music room. Any player of an appropriate instrument who has received at least one term's tuition is invited to attend. We hope that by joining this group your child's musical education will be boosted by the enthusiasm, skills and the achievement that playing in a group will undoubtedly bring. All of our SMS Academy's will be working towards taking part in a concert each term which you will be invited to attend.

Therefore, I write now to invite your child to attend the **SMS Academy for a free trial session on the 6th November at 3.45 - 17.00**

Please note that due to considerations of health and safety we cannot accept any child who has not first applied so to secure your child a place for November 6th. To find out how do to this and learn more about the Solihull Music Service please **enrol by the 26th October 2018** via our website www.solihullmusicservice.com When you visit the website please click on the link (on the right hand side of the screen) that says '**Apply online for SMS Lessons, Ensembles, SMS Academies and Saturday Music Centre**' then click on the link <https://live.paritor.com/p/2004>

Please note first session is free, should they continue to attend a fee of £38.90 applies per term, which **is only £3.89 per week!**

Yours sincerely,

Richard Jones

Assistant Head of Solihull Music Service

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