



Last term saw our young instrumentalists' most ambitious performance so far. Musicians from St. Joseph's and Ferney Lee Schools played for a packed audience at Square Chapel Arts Centre in Halifax on 20th June with solo and ensemble pieces on violin, cello, guitar, bassoon, flute, trombone and tabla, as well as some beautiful singing of compositions in English and Urdu by Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan and Henry Purcell.

The evening began with the presentation by some very special guests from Hebden Bridge Women's Institute of a cheque for £2100. Thank you, H.B. W.I., for all your fundraising work and support for our young musicians!

The summer term also saw fundraising concerts from two very different and very brilliant choirs: the much-loved Cantorelli and Todmorden's newest choir, Vocal Highs.



Since this time last year, you have donated a heart-warming total of £12,163. This has helped to provide weekly instrumental lessons for 80 children on many different instruments and to enrich the lives of young people and their families in our community.

The year ahead

This term we are starting to provide instrumental tuition in Todmorden C. of E. School and will also be working for the first time in our High School, as our tutors continue to support pupils as they move in year 7. To ensure the future of this provision, we rely on the help of the whole community. A standing order of as little as £2 per month can make a big difference. It's easy to make commission-free donations online at

www.justgiving.com/musicforthemany



This year we welcome on board the Mayor of Todmorden, cllr. Ken White, who is a passionate advocate for arts in the community and equal opportunities for our children and who has chosen M4M as his mayoral charity. He has already been hard at work raising funds for us through his D.J. sets – filling the floor and filling the coffers! Our marvellous mayoress is Gig, manager of the Golden Lion and inspirational patron of the arts who has installed an M4M collection pot on the bar.

We have some more great performances to look forward to – from our pupils and from some of the many professional musicians who care very deeply about the work we are doing.

On Friday 4th October we will hear the welcome return of operatic soprano, Nicola Mills, whose performance, *Opera for the People*, will bring the exquisite quality and dramatic power of the world's greatest opera houses to our community. Nicola will be singing some of the best loved arias and musical theatre songs to the accompaniment of our M4M mini-orchestra here in Todmorden before returning to pursue her dazzling musical career in New York City. This is definitely NOT to be missed!



On 17th October, some of our pupils will be performing for the Lord Lieutenant of Yorkshire, who is making a rare visit to Todmorden. M4M has been chosen as one of the community groups that best represent our uniquely creative town.



Further afield, the Choir of Salford Cathedral, which has a connection with St. Joseph's School, will be raising money for Music for the Many with their charity concert on 5th October at the Cathedral in Salford.

We are very excited to announce that next term, on 7th February, we will be hosting a performance by one of the great stars of Indian Classical music, Shahbaz Hussain, maestro of the tabla, ready to inspire our children who are studying this beautiful instrument and learning all about South Asian music.



Spread the word with the all-new M4M stickers!

Thanks to the creative skills of the chairman of our trustees, Phil Fowler, we are delighted to offer some new heavy-duty M4M stickers, with a circular design of our logo to make your instrument cases stand out in a crowd and show your support for equal opportunities in music education. Get in touch on music4themany@gmail.com if you'd like us to send you some (for a donation, of course!).

Fundraising Dates for your Diary:

- 4th October 2019 at 7.30pm, the Fielden Centre, Todmorden
Nicola Mills. *Opera for the People*.
- 5th October 2019 at 7.30pm, Salford Cathedral, Chapel St., Salford. M35LE
Salford Cathedral Choir in Concert
- 11th October 2019, 7pm – 1am, the Golden Lion, Todmorden
Ken White, the Mayor is the DJ
- 17th October 2019 at 7.30pm, the Golden Lion, Todmorden
Community Quiz by the Labour Party – all money raised goes to Music for the Many
- 7th February 2020 at 7,30pm, the Fielden Centre, Todmorden
Shahbaz Hussain – tabla virtuoso

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