

To Parents/Guardians of Members of –

Junior Strings
Millennium Strings
Chamber groups

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Your ref:

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CONCERT 1

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Solihull Summer Festival 2010

As part of the Summer Festival, the groups listed above will be performing in a concert at the Shirley Methodist Church, Stratford Road, Shirley, on Monday 5th July at 7.30pm.

There will be rehearsals at the Venue beforehand as follows –

Chamber Groups	5.00 p.m. (arrive 4.45 p.m.)
Chamber Groups	5.30 p.m. (arrive 5.15 p.m.)
Junior Strings	6.00 p.m. (arrive 5.45 p.m.)
Millennium Strings	6.30 p.m. (arrive 6.15 p.m.)

Players 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 for the year. If you

have not, please do contact your ensemble's conductor/director, who will be able to provide one for you.

In order to make the appropriate arrangements for this event it is essential that we have an accurate record of who will be taking part. Could I therefore ask that each child tells their conductor/director whether or not he/she will be doing so.

To encourage as many people to come and support the event we have reduced the cost of ticket prices for this year's summer festival concerts, they are priced as follows –

Shirley Methodist Church £5 full price, £3 concessions. – this will include a free programme

Purchasing Tickets.

To make it easier for parents and the public to purchase tickets we have arranged with the Solihull Arts Complex that their box office will sell tickets on our behalf.

This means you are able to book tickets over the phone, by credit card, or simply pop into Solihull Library. The box office is open from Monday - Saturday 10.00am - 5.00pm.*

When ordering tickets please quote: Solihull Music Service Concert 1

For more information about ordering tickets please visit www.solihull.gov.uk/artscomplex

Tickets can be purchased on:
0121 704 6962.

If you have any problems or queries concerning any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact your child's conductor or me via the Solihull Music Service
Yours sincerely,

Richard Jones
Assistant Head – Ensembles and Events

*The Arts Complex 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 answerphone 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.