

St Chad's—Notices

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Non-Uniform Day

Thursday 22nd October

With our Christmas Fayre fast approaching, we are asking students to bring in either the usual £1, or a donation to help us build some Christmas hampers!

Oak (R) – Toiletries/Unused gifts

Willow (1/2) – Sweets/Chocolate

Beech (2/3) – Crisps/Crackers

Hawthorn (4) – Hot Beverages

Sycamore (5) – Biscuits/Cookies

Pine (6) – Bottled/Canned Drinks

Edible donations will need to be dated past 27th Nov.

We really appreciate your support, and look forward to the Christmas Fayre!



Friends of St Chad's
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22ND OCTOBER

AFTERSCHOOL

Cash preferred,
Card available

Please see your child's class BLOG for key dates and updates.

Dear Parent/Carer

Benedetti Mass Strings Day for Young Players

We are thrilled to announce that **West of England Music and Arts (WEMA)** has been selected to host a **Benedetti Foundation Residency**, bringing one of the UK's most inspiring music education organisations to our region for a unique programme of musical activity.

As part of this Residency, we are delighted to offer a Benedetti Foundation **Mass Strings Day**, an exciting and exclusive opportunity for young string players to learn, perform and make music together under the guidance of expert tutors from the Benedetti Foundation Residency Sessions. The Residency Sessions are delivered in partnership with music services across the UK and are designed to inspire young musicians while supporting high-quality music education in local communities.

Benedetti Foundation Mass Strings Day

Date: Friday 27th November 2026

Time: 9.30am-3pm

Venue: St. Michael's Centre, Stoke Gifford, BS34 8PD

This event is open to young violin, viola, cello and double bass players aged 8-13, playing from open strings to approximately Grade 3 standard. Formal examinations are not required; players should have completed at least one term of lessons and be able to use their bow comfortably.

What are the Benedetti Foundation Residency Sessions?

The **Residency Sessions** are a unique programme delivered in partnership with music services across the UK. They are designed to inspire young musicians, support teachers and strengthen local music education through workshops, professional development and large-scale musical events. Collaboration, creativity and confidence-building are at the heart of every session

About Nicola Benedetti

Nicola Benedetti CBE is one of the world's leading violinists and a passionate advocate for music education. She established the Benedetti Foundation in 2019 to provide transformative musical opportunities for children, young people, teachers and communities, helping to ensure access to music for all.

What to Expect

This special day has been designed to be welcoming, inspiring and fun. Participants will:

- Work with an outstanding team of Benedetti Foundation tutors.
- Rehearse and perform exciting new music alongside other young musicians.

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- Learn from talented Foundation Ambassadors, who are conservatoire students and emerging music leaders.
- Develop confidence, musical skills and ensemble experience.
- Be part of a large-scale music-making event that they will remember for years to come.

To help children prepare, tutorial videos and play-along resources will be provided in advance to all registered participants.

A Truly Unique Opportunity

This is a **one-off event** and a rare opportunity for young musicians in our area to experience the renowned Benedetti Foundation approach to music-making. Places are limited, and we expect demand to be high.

Cost

£30 per child (Pupil Premium Students go FREE)

Find Out More and Register

To learn more about the Residency Sessions, visit the Benedetti Foundation Residency Sessions webpage: **[Benedetti Foundation Residency Sessions](#)**

To **register** your child, **[BOOK HERE](#)**

https://wema.org.uk/?ff_landing=225

If you have any questions, please get in touch.

We are incredibly excited to welcome the Benedetti Foundation to our region and hope your child will join us for this exceptional musical experience.

We can't wait to see you soon!

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We would really appreciate it if you could take the time to complete the attached quick survey about mental health to assist Emma (Primary Mental Health Practitioner) with some research she is completing.

Thank you!