

PERFORMING ARTS AT BROMSGROVE SCHOOL

LENT 2018

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Welcome from Tim Norton, Director of Performing Arts

After the hugely successful opening of our new Performing Arts spaces, just a few fleeting weeks ago, we look forward to another two terms bristling with variety and industry in both our theatre and concert hall. For everyone using the new facilities, it has been a period of discovery and rediscovery as we push the boundaries of what we can achieve. Many hundreds of students performed last term and nearly three thousand members of the School, and guests from our community and beyond, came to experience the magic of theatre and music-making in a sequence of concerts and plays in the last month of 2017.

The Grand Opening in November gave us a flavour of the rich talent our students have to offer; the combined choirs and instrumentalists of the finale in Routh Hall alone showed us magnificence in scale and artistry that we could only dream about a year ago. Meanwhile, the sequence of elaborate set changes, massed dancers, and pyrotechnical wizardry on the Cobham stage, was more than enough to whet the appetite for what the future has in store for our theatrical performances. We anticipate our many annual House Drama and Music competitions with great relish this term and keenly await the chance for our most experienced musicians to shine in the scholars' concerts in 2018.

Performers of all ages will continue to get a chance to perform in both venues on an almost weekly basis this term, but perhaps it is to our youngest students that we naturally turn to offer us the greatest promise. With much excitement, we finally get to see our young actors in Year 7 and 8 present their full version of "The 1001 Nights", so tantalisingly glimpsed in a brief excerpt in November, while members of the Fourth Form will perform "Grimm Tales" at the end of March. At the same time, the Strings Extravaganza and Jazz Concert in Routh Concert Hall will provide undoubted performance highlights this term, bringing together the very youngest and oldest musicians onto the platform at the same time.

There is certainly something for everyone to get involved in this term; to watch, to hear, to play or to sing.





Lunchtime and Teatime Concerts

Prep and Senior Music



Musical Moments

Prep Music



Friday 19th January, 1.20pm Tuesday 30th January, 1.20pm

Tuesday 27th February, 1.20pm

Tuesday 13th March, 5.30pm

Unreserved seating, no booking required.

Monday 5th February

Monday 26th February

FREE tickets; invitation only; extended family of performers welcome.











The Music Department launched a new Wind and Brass Scheme in September: an exciting opportunity to learn a Wind or Brass instrument. This presentation is a first chance to hear the progress so far. Come along to support these young musicians.

FREE tickets; booking via the online box office

Tuesday 16th January, 4.00pm

Fourth Form Students from all eleven Houses present an evening of short plays that they have directed and produced themselves. Any theatrical style, any author, any number of actors; who knows with what the students will grace the stage of the new theatre. Whatever happens, we are ensured of a night to remember as every House showcases the best of its performing talent.

Prizes will be awarded by an adjudicator at the end of the evening in an number of categories including Best Play and Best Performer.

All are welcome. Tickets available from the School's online box office

Tuesday 23rd January, 7.00pm

Routh Concert Hall Cobham Theatre



JANUARY











Our Senior Music Scholars and Exhibitioners take to the concert stage to create memorable performances as soloists. A fantastic evening celebrating the hard work and talent of each musician.

FREE tickets; booking via the online box office

Thursday 25th January, 7.00pm

Year 7-13 string players from Bromsgrove School, Winterfold School, and schools in the surrounding area are invited to take part in a full day of chamber music making. Performers will form trios and quartets as well as an orchestra and will be coached by our specialist string staff, learning a range of repertoire appropriate to their level. The day's achievements will culminate in a concert.

FREE tickets; booking via the online box office

Friday 2nd February, 4.15pm

Routh Concert Hall

Routh Concert Hall





Years 7 & 8 Play



Senior House Music CompetitionsSenior Music



The Thousand and One Nights

After a brief introduction to the story at the opening ceremony, Bromsgrove Preparatory School bring you tales from the Thousand and One Nights.

Shahrazad has put the lives of others before her own and hopes that her gift for storytelling will save her life. Come and see if she is successful and enjoy warm family stories that will leave you with a smile on your face.

Tickets are available from the School's online box office

Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th February, 7.00pm

Working in ensembles and as soloists, the eleven Senior School Houses put forward their best musicians to compete for the prestigious Senior House Music trophies.

FREE tickets; booking via the online box office

Ensemble Competition, 4.00pm

Solo Competition, 7.00pm

Thursday 8th February

Cobham Theatre Routh Concert Hall



The Bromsgrove Young Musicians' Platform (BYMP)



Year 3-6 String Recital Prep Music

The 2018 Platform Competition for young musicians aged 9-17 takes place from 22nd to 24th February 2018 in Routh Concert Hall.

Auditions, after completion of the online application form and selection by the adjudicators, will take place on 22nd and 23rd February, with the Finalists' Concert taking place during the afternoon of Saturday, 24th February.

Tickets for the Finalists' Concert are priced at £10 for adults and £5 for children – please visit www.bromsgroveplatform.com/tickets.aspx

Thursday 22nd - Saturday 24th February

These termly concerts showcase the talents of the more experienced performers at Grade 1 standard and above. The recitals are supported by an audience of Year 3 and 4 pupils, as well as invited friends and family of the musicians.

FREE tickets; unreserved seating, no booking required

Tuesday 27th February, 8.30am

Routh Concert Hall
Maple Hall





Fifth and Sixth Form House Drama Competition Senior Drama



Students from the Fifth and Sixth Form, representing the finest acting and directing talent from each of our eleven Houses, will perform an evening of short plays that they have produced themselves... some may even have written their pieces. After the huge success of last year's competition, we look forward to a vintage evening of comedy, drama and polished acting from the best of Bromsgrove's performing talent.

Prizes will be awarded by an adjudicator at the end of the evening in a number of categories including Best Play and Best Performer.

All are welcome. Tickets available from the School's online box office.

Thursday 1st March, 7.00pm



Cultures Connect Concert Senior Pupils

This popular annual event celebrates the diversity and breadth of cultural experience of our extraordinary student body who represent 50 nationalities from across the globe.

In an evening of music-making, poetry and dance, the programme will offer something for everyone from pieces played on traditional native instruments to songs sung in their original language.

This concert is open to pupils and staff only, please contact Mrs Boonnak for more information.

Saturday 3rd March, 7.00pm

Cobham Theatre Routh Concert Hall



Chamber Choir Evensong at Chester Cathedral Senior Music



String Extravaganza

Prep and Senior Music



Senior School Chamber Choir

Our Senior Chamber Choir travels to sing the service of Evensong, this time in the beautiful surroundings of Chester Cathedral. Why not combine supporting our singers with a spot of shopping or sight-seeing in this wonderful Roman city?

All welcome to attend the service. Congregation to be seated by 5.15pm

Wednesday 7th March, 5.30pm

Year 3; Year 3-5 String Group

Year 6-8 String Group; Senior String Orchestra

Year 3-13 Orchestral Strings Concert

The second presentation concert of the year by our Year 3 String Players, with performances by the School's string ensembles from both Prep and Senior Schools.

FREE tickets; booking via the online Box Office

Thursday 8th March, 4.15pm

Chester Cathedral

Routh Concert Hall



Prep Chapel Choir National Competition Finals Prep Music

A Level and IB Diploma Recitals

Senior Music

Our Prep Chapel Choir have been selected as finalists in the prestigious Barnardo's Youth Choral Competition which takes place at the Royal Festival Hall in London, one of the world's leading performance venues.

Wednesday 12th March

Those studying music at A Level and IB Diploma perform their submissions for assessment.

FREE tickets; booking via the online Box Office

Wednesday 14th March, 7.00pm



Fourth Form Play Senior Drama



Year 6-8 House Music Competition Prep Music



Grimm Tales

Carol Ann Duffy and Tim Supple's adaptation of the tales from the Brothers' Grimm comes to the Cobham Theatre for three performances by actors from the Lower and Upper Fourth Forms. The evening promises to be a riot of laughter, shocks and macabre twists, very much in the vein of the orginal tales. Puppetry, mime, physical theatre and dance will combine in a rich tapestry of theatrical techniques to expose the dark side of our favourite fairy tales. Suitable for children and adults of all ages.

Tickets are available from the School's online box office

Thursday 15th - Saturday 17th March, 7.00pm

Pupils in Years 6 - 8 audition for the finals of prestigious House Music Competition in these categories; Brass, Percussion, Piano, Strings, Voice, Woodwind. There is a winner for each section and an overall Best Performer will also be awarded.

FREE tickets; booking via the online box office

Friday 16th March, 2.15pm

Cobham Theatre

Routh Concert Hall



Pop & Jazz Senior Music



Year 4 Play
Prep Drama



Years 7-13

Big Band, Sax Ensemble, Senior Jazz Ensemble, Senior Brass Group, Prep Jazz Group

For many this is the highlight of the musical year where our groups and soloists combine to groove the night away. Book a seat or a whole table, bring along your chosen refreshments and help us turn Routh Concert Hall into our very own live music Jazz Bar for the night.

Limited tickets available, details from the Music School secretary.

Thursday 22nd March, 7.00pm

The Tudor Rose

A short play performed by our Year 4 pupils will transport you to the times of Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth 1.

Thursday 22nd March, 2.00pm

Routh Concert Hall Cobham Theatre



The Bromsgrove International Musicians' Competition (BIMC)



The 2018 Competition will be held from 3rd to 7th April in Routh Concert Hall at Bromsgrove School. Previous winners have gone on to critical acclaim, so this is a competition not to be missed.

The preliminary rounds take place from 3rd-5th April, the semi-final on 6th April and the Finalists' Concert on the evening of 7th April.

The general public are encouraged to attend the preliminary rounds and semi-final free of charge.

Tickets for the Finalists' Concert, priced at £15 per person, are available online from www.bromsgrovecompetition.com/tickets.aspx

Tuesday, 3rd - Saturday, 7th April

Bromsgrove School Box Office



Bromsgrove School has its own online box office where tickets for any of our listed shows and performances can be reserved. Our Music School administrators are always happy to advise about the availability of tickets – please contact either Claire Peacock or Moira Cullen by phone or email for information.

We look forward to welcoming you to music and drama performances at Bromsgrove School.

Contact Details

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Key Dates for Summer Term

April				
Year 3-5 House Music Competition	23/04/2018	14:30	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall
Prep House Drama Competition	26/04/2018	08:40	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Choral Concert (Year 7-13)	29/04/2018	17:00	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
May				
Year 3-5 Words & Music	01/05/2018	14:30	Prep Music	Cobham Theatre
Year 6 -8 Words & Music	03/05/2018	19:00	Prep Music	Cobham Theatre
Lunchtime Informal Concert (Year 3-7)	08/05/2018	13:20	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall
Cheltenham Festival of Performing Arts	08/05/2018	All Day		Cheltenham
Year 3 Strings Presentation	17/05/2018	16:15	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall
Year 3 Play – Jungle Fever	21/05/2108	08:30	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Lunchtime Informal Concert (Year 7-13)	22/05/2018	13:20	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Year 6 Musical	22/05/2018		Prep Music	Cobham Theatre
Year 6 Musical	23/05/2018		Prep Music	Cobham Theatre
June				
Junior Scholars Concert (Year 7-8 & Fourth Form)	05/06/2018	19:00	Prep & Senior Drama	Routh Concert Hall
Year 3-5 Summer Concert	11/06/2018	14:00	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall
Year 3-5 Piano Recital	12/06/2018	08:30	Prep Music	Maple
Year 2 Play	15/06/2018	14:15	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Year 3 Presentation Performance	20/06/2018	19:30	Prep Music	Cobham Theatre
Year 6-8 Summer Concert	21/06/2018	19:00	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall

Key Dates for Lent Term

January				
Year 5 Wind and Brass Presentation	16/01/2018	16:00	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall
Art Scholarships, Drama Scholarships & Music Scholarships	17/01/2018	All Day	Other	
Music Scholarships	18/01/2018	All Day	Other	
Music Scholarships	19/01/2018	All Day	Other	
Lunchtime Concert	19/01/2018	13:20	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Fourth Form House Drama Competition	23/01/2018	19:00	Senior Drama	Cobham Theatre
Senior Scholars' Recital	25/01/2018	19:00	Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Lunchtime Concert	30/01/2018	13:20	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
February				
String Chamber Music Workshop	02/02/2018	All Day	Prep & Senior Music	Music School
Year 7-13 String Chamber Concert	02/02/2018	16:15	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Musical Moments	05/02/2018	16:00	Prep Music	Maple Hall
Senior School Eucharist	06/02/2018	08:30	Senior Music	Memorial Chapel
Year 7 & 8 Play: Thousand and One Nights	06/02/2018	19:00	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Year 7 & 8 Play: Thousand and One Nights	07/02/2018	19:00	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Senior House Music Competition: Ensembles	08/02/2018	16:00	Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Year 7 & 8 Play: Thousand and One Nights	08/02/2018	19:00	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Senior House Music Competition: Solos	08/02/2018	19:00	Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Bromsgrove Young Musicians Platform	22/02/2018	All Day	External Event	Music School
Bromsgrove Young Musicians Platform	23/02/2018	All Day	External Event	
Bromsgrove Young Musicians Platform Finals	24/02/2018	All Day	External Event	Routh Concert Hall
Musical Moments	26/02/2018	16:00	Prep Music	Maple Hall
Y3-6 Strings Morning Recitals	27/02/2018	08:30	Prep Music	Maple Hall
Lunchtime Concert	27/02/2018	13:20	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
March				
Senior House Drama	01/03/2018	19:00	Senior Drama	Cobham Theatre
Cultures Connect Concert	03/03/2018	19:00	Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Chamber Choir Trip	07/03/2018	All Day	Senior Music	Chester Cathedral
Years 3–13 String Extravaganza	08/03/2018	All Day	Prep & Senior Music	Music School
Years 3-13 Orchestral Strings Concert	08/03/2018	16:15	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Teatime Concert	13/03/2018	17:30	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
A Level and IB Diploma Recitals	14/03/2018	19:00	Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Senior School Evensong	15/03/2018	16:00	Senior Music	Memorial Chapel
Fourth Form Play: Grimm Tales	15/03/2018	19:00	Senior Drama	Cobham Theatre
Y 6–8, House Music Competition	16/03/2018	14:15	Prep Music	Routh Concert Hall
Fourth Form Play: Grimm Tales	16/03/2018	19:00	Senior Drama	Cobham Theatre
Fourth Form Play: Grimm Tales	17/03/2018	19:00	Senior Drama	Cobham Theatre
Year 4 Play: The Tudor Rose	22/03/2018	14:00	Prep Drama	Cobham Theatre
Years 7-13 Pop and Jazz Concert	22/03/2018	19:00	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall
Bromsgrove International Musician Competition	22/03/2018	19:00	Prep & Senior Music	Routh Concert Hall