

CONCERT PROGRAMMES

These concerts will feature music from a variety of genres and are a culmination of the work SFE has been doing in schools and at ensemble centres throughout the academic year.

On behalf of Services For Education I would like to welcome parents, carers, supporters, colleagues and ensemble members to our SFE School Based Ensemble Gala Concerts 2025.

The school-based ensemble programme is one we are incredibly proud of, as it enables students having lessons within their school setting to make music with their peers – these are memorable experiences that live with children as they move through the school system and into adulthood. For many, the time spent in a school-based ensemble will light a creative spark and encourage them to audition to join our Central Ensemble system. This will expand their musical minds and repertoire even further, and we have a number of our most senior musicians whose began their ensemble experience within our school-based system. We will be giving important information out at each concert about our central ensembles and how to audition for them in the coming months.

The depth and breadth of the ensemble programme that you will see highlighted tonight shows the incredible work that goes on in schools each and every day. This would not be possible without our amazing school-based staff as well as the conductors of each of the ensembles on display this evening. It is with a huge amount of gratitude that I thank them for all of their tremendous efforts in putting together the programme you will enjoy this evening.

My final thank you is to you – the parents, carers, family and friends of our performers. Without your support, encouragement, cajoling and occasional nagging, the performers tonight would not be in the position to contribute to the concert you will enjoy this evening. The recognition from families about the importance of musical experiences for the young people of Birmingham, and the key role it plays in their development, is one that is vital. The partnership between parents, schools and those of us within the Music Service helps makes these musical opportunities as enriching as possible – and so thank you for your continued support.

I hope that you enjoy the concerts.

Richard Mabbott

Head of Music Service

Programme details - The Crossing, South & City College, Digbeth Campus

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Wednesday 2nd April 2020 6.30pm

Rock, Pop & Funk Gala

The Crossing, South & City College, Digbeth Campus [Map](#)

Compere – Charlotte Buxton

- **Bournville School**
- **Cockshut Hill Technology College**

Seven Nation Army
My Generation
Sk8er Boi

The White Stripes
The Who
Avril Lavigne

- **King Edward VI Northfield School for Girls – Sainted**

Rebel Rebel
Wicked Game
I bet you look good on the dance floor

David Bowie
Chris Isaac
Alex turner

- **Lindsworth School – The Lindsworth Lions Ensemble**

Smells Like Teen Spirit
Blinding Lights
20th Century Boy

Nirvana
The Weeknd
T-Rex

- **Queensbridge School – Bittersweet**

Set Fire To the Rain
Fluorescent Adolescent
That's What I Like

Adele
Arctic Monkeys
Bruno Mars

- **Turves Green Boys**
- **Washwood Heath Academy**
- **Birmingham Schools' Singers**

Don't Kill My Vibe
Blackbird
Footloose

Words and music Sigrid Raabe and Martin Sjolie
Words and Music Lennon and McCartney
Pitchford and Loggins

- **Birmingham Schools' Jazz Band**

Superstition
Bernie's Tune
Septurian Funkfest
Best of My Love

Stevie Wonder arr. Mike Tomaro
Bernie Miller arr. Ronnie Cuber
Mark Taylor
Arr. Paul Murtha

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Programme details - Royal Birmingham Conservatoire

Monday 7th April 2025 6.30pm

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Compere – Sally Hobbs

- **Abbey Catholic Primary School – Brass Band**

Regal Fanfare	Richard Duckett
German Tune	Traditional Arr. Richard Duckett
Old McJazz	Traditional Arr. Richard Duckett

- **Archbishop Ilsley Catholic School**
- **Harborne Primary School – Choir**

Amani Upte	Patsy Ford-Simms
Dreaming	Sarah Baker

- **New Oscott Primary School and Whitehouse Common Primary School – Guitars**

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Locked out of Heaven
Havanna

Bruno Mars arr. Tom Reed
Camilla Cabella – Dean Noble

- **Plantsbrook School** – Dhol

Rock Bhangra Rhythm Medley

Arr. Harjinder Matharu

- **Queensbridge School** – Orchestra

Coldplay Classics
Heaven

Arr. Michael Brown
Bryan Adams and Jim Vallance

- **Sacred Heart Catholic Primary** – Steel Pans
- **St Augustine's Catholic Primary** – Woodwind
- **St James' Catholic** – Brass Band
- **St Laurence Church Junior School** – Recorders

Cha Cha
Dancing Through Life
Revolting Children

D R Bellwood arr. Z Marklew
Schwartz arr. Z Marklew
Tim Minchin arr. Z Marklew

- **Whitehouse Common Primary School** – Orchestra

Biscuit Club Boogie

Sarah Watts

- **Whitehouse Common Primary School** – Guitars

Paradise

Bruno Mars arr. D Noble

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Compere – Helen Brookes

- **Bishop Vesey's Grammar School** – Percussion

Hey Ya	OutKast Arr. Bethan Jones
One Day Like This	Elbow Arr. Bethan Jones

- **Bishop Vesey's Grammar School** – Strings

Gow's Reel	Scottish traditional, arr Edward Huws Jones
Minuet from Water Music	G. F. Handel. Arr Mary Cohen
March in D	C. P. E. Bach. Arr Michael Rose

- **Birches Green Junior School** – String Ensemble
- **Cherry Orchard Primary School** – Orchestra

Air	Handel Arr. Beilby
John Ryan's Polka	Arr. Beilby
Any Dream will Do	Lloyd Webber Arr. Beilby

- **Fairfax Academy** – Ensemble

The Muppet Show Theme	Henson & Pottle Arr. Paul Murtha
A Whiter Shade of Pale	Words and Music by Keith Reid and Gary Brooker Arr. Nicholas Hare
Shut Up and Dance	Ben Berger and Ryan McMahon, Arr. Craig Holmes

- **Kings Norton Girls' School** – Flute Ensemble

Song of the Wellerman	Trad. Arr. Kate Agioritis
Merry-Go-Round of Life from Howl's Moving Castle	Joe Hisaishi and Nicolas Horvath. Arr. Hideo Shimazu
Under the Sea	Alan Menken and Howard Ashman. Arr. Kate Agioritis

- **Lordswood Boys** – Symphonic Pop Collective

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Minecraft Sweden

Daniel Rosenfeld arranged by Hobbs and Stewart

Hard Work Part 2 and There She Goes-From Fame-

Steve Margoshes arr M.Lowndes

- **Lordswood Boys** – Percussion
- **St Mary's Church of England Primary School** – Strings

Walking the Dog

Peter Martin

Chopsticks

Peter Martin

Boogie Blues

Deborah Maker Monday

- **St Tereas's Catholic** – Percussion

Rain

Sunday Service Choir

Cucumba

Macka B

- **The Oaks** – Percussion

Drumline 25

Suzie Reid

Redwood Grove

Joshua Webster

- **Westminster Primary School** – Woodwind

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[Programme details - Ruddock Performing Arts Centre](#)

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Compere – tbc

- **Colmore Junior & Kings Heath Primary School** – Choir

My Girl

Smokey Robinson and Ronald White
arr. Sarah Mapp

What is this feeling?

Stephen Schwartz
arr. Roger Emerson

- **Colmore Junior** – Bass Makers

Shark Attack (from a Sea Suite)

Kathy and David Blackwell

Barrier Reef (Sea Suite)

Kathy and David Blackwell

Captain Jack's Hornpipe (sea suite)

Kathy and David Blackwell

- **Coppice Primary** – Choir

Try Everything

Shakira

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Music Matters

Mark and Helen Johnson

- **Hillstone Primary School** – Orchestra
- **Mansfield Green E-ACT Primary Academy** – Strings

Rhythm Fever

Kathy and David Blackwell

So there!

Kathy and David Blackwell

City Lights

Kathy and David Blackwell

- **Priestly Smith Specialist School** – Choir

Three Little Birds

Bob Marley

Go the Distance

- **St George's C of E Primary** – Choir

One And A Million

Emily Barden

You're Welcome

Lin-Manuel Miranda

- **St Wilfrid's Catholic Junior and Infant School** – Woodwind

Half Minute Waltz

Mnah Mnah

Somewhere only we know

- **William Murdoch Primary School** – Sitar

Raga Bilaval – Dadra 6 beats

Gurdeep Dharni

Raga Madhuvanki popular Indian Beats

Gurdeep Dharni

Raga Yamen – Kaherwa 8 beats

Gurdeep Dharni

- **William Murdoch Primary School** – Brass Band

This is our Band

Tony Cresswell

- **King Edward VI Lordswood School for Girls** – Woodwind

The Magnificent Seven

Elmer Bernstein, arranged by Michael Story

The Pink Panther

Henry Mancini, arranged by Michael Story

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Compere – Kate O'Malley

- **Ark Boulton Academy** – World Ensemble

Rhythm in Motion

Pritpal Singh

Unstoppable

Sia

- **Boldmere Junior School** – Strings

Farewell to Summer/French Folk Song

The Flintstones

The Wind that Shakes the Barley

- **Bournville Village Primary** – Orchestra
- **Cofton Primary School** – Guitars
- **Elms Farm Primary School** – Brass Band

Pavane 'La Battaglia'

Susato Arr. Morley

Another brick in the wall

Pink Floyd Arr. Bates

- **Mere Green Primary School** – Steel Pans
- **St Bernard's Primary School** – Brass Band

Jazz With James James Dickenson

The Addams Family Theme

Arriba

- **St Joseph's Catholic Primary School** – Woodwind Ensemble

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Mother Goose Medley

Disney Medley

Traditional. Arr. Kate O'Malley

N. Washington, L. Harline, J. Dodd, R. Newman,
A. Menken, E. John. Arr. Kate O'Malley

- **Birmingham Schools' Piano and Keyboard Ensemble**

Rolling in the Deep

Shape of You

Paradise

Adele

Ed Sheeran arr W. Duffell

Coldplay

- **Birmingham Schools' Recorder Ensemble**

Boogie Blues

Ballet

Mattachins

Arr. D Charles

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[Programme details - Ruddock Performing Arts Centre](#)

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Compere – Ruth Roberts

- **Hillcrest School** – Choir
- **Nishkam High School** – Dhol

Traditional Folk Pieces of India

- **Oasis Academy Short Heath** – Woodwind

Cha Cha

In the Jungle

Shotgun

D.R Bellwood

Solomon Linda arr. Z Marklew

George Ezra arr. Z Marklew

- **St Cuthbert's RC Junior and Infant** – Brass Band

St Cuthbert's Fanfare

Hall of the Mountain King

Eye of the Tiger

Alex Cottrell

Edvard Grieg

Arranger – Alex Cottrell

Frankie Sullivan & Jim Peterik – Arr. Alex
Cottrell

- **St Edward's Catholic Primary School** – Strings
- **St Michael's CofE**
- **St Michaels B32**

Achy Breaky Leg

Super Sub

Spooky Blues

Mark Walker

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- **Swanshurst School** – Woodwind

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A Funfair Fanfare
James bond theme
A thousand Years

Colin Cowles
John Williams
Christina Perri and David Hodges Arr. E
Wrighton

- **Waverley School** – Woodwind

You've got a Friend
Bella Ciao

Randy Newman
Trad

- **Waverley School** – Strings

All around
Take it away man
Popcorn Pizza

T Gregory
R.Duckett, O.Goodborn and C.Rogers
H.Butterworth

- **Acocks Green Primary School** – Orchestra

Prankster
Rock Around the Clock
Wallace & Gromit

Sarah Watts arranged Baptiste
Freedman/Myers arr Baptiste
Julian Nott arr Baptiste

- **Grendon Junior and Infant School** – Orchestra

Skat Cat Swing
Shannon Bells
Wallace and Gromit

Sarah Watts
Traditional. Arranged by A. Davis
Composer J. Nott. Arranged A. Zienko

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Thursday 10th April 2025 6.30pm

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Compere – Adam Hickman

- **Featherstone Primary School – Woodwind**

Tango and Cha Cha	D R Bellwood
Doily Daydreams	Sarah Watts
The Wellerman	traditional arr. A.Hopper

- **Hamstead Hall Academy**

Simple Samba	Terry Kenny
Dance Monkey	Toni Watson arr. Wrighton
Freed From Desire	Gala arr. Asuncion/Jones

- **King Edward VI Handsworth Grammar School for Boys**

The Wellerman	New Zealand Whaling Song, arr. Matt Kingston
India	Jock McKenzie, ed. Roger Argente
The Avengers	Alan Silvestri, arr. N Stevenson

- **King Edward VI Sheldon Heath Academy**

- **Lea Forest Primary Academy – Keyboard Ensemble**

Merrily	Trad. Arr. Litten
Go Tell Aunt Rhody	Trad
Major Bossa	
When The Saints Go Marching In	arr Alan Haughton
Mamma Mia	Arr. Litten

- **Moseley School**

- **Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School – Orchestra**

Deep South Stomp	String Band World Tour by Peter Martin
Delhi Belly	String Band World Tour by Peter Martin
Chinese Whispers	String Band World Tour by Peter Martin

- **Rosary Catholic Primary – Band**

- **St Francis Church of England Aided Primary School and Nursery – Wind Band**

Give me Joy in my Heart	Trad
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Inside Out Theme
The Avengers Theme

Michael Giacchino, arr. N Stevenson
Alan Silvestri, arr. N Stevenson

- **World's End Junior School**

Arriba
Greensleeves
Uptown Funk

- **Raddlebarn Primary School**

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