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8.45 am - 11.00 am on the first
Thursday of each month.*



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To Parents/Guardians of Central
Groups pupils

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Your ref

Date 14 March 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

Central Groups Concerts 26 & 27 March 2024, Perth Concert Hall, 7.30pm

26 March Central Groups Concert 1

Perth Concert Hall, 7.30pm

Groups involved:

- Guitar Ensemble
- Concert Band
- Piping Ensemble
- Wind Orchestra

Conductor: Mr Baillie
Conductor: Mrs Barker
Conductor: Mr Mulholland
Conductor: Mrs Purcell

27 March Central Groups Concert 2

Perth Concert Hall, 7.30pm

Groups involved:

- Brass Band
- Choir
- String Orchestra
- Senior String Orchestra
- Percussion Ensemble

Conductor: Ms Stewart
Conductor: Ms Perman
Conductor: Ms Steele
Conductor: Mrs McGovern
Conductor: Ms Paterson

Thank you for your support throughout this session allowing your child to participate once more in the Perth & Kinross Central Groups.

As we approach the showcase concerts, I would like to formally invite you to these concerts to enjoy the final results of the hard work all the groups have carried out throughout the session.

Please see following details regarding the above Central Group concerts.

14 March 2024

To all Parents/Guardians of Central Groups Pupils

Pupils who use the Central Groups Transport Association buses to rehearsals will be picked up at their usual pick-up point but **one hour earlier than normal except the Kinross bus on Wednesday 27 March which will be picking up 45mins earlier than usual**. Please see transport timetable included in this letter.

Please wait at the bus stop in case buses are slightly delayed. They will arrive!

Please note there will be no return transport as it is hoped parents will attend the concert.

It is important that pupils who do not normally travel on the buses` provided do not use the transport for the concerts as this will affect available seating numbers per coach.

All pupils not using the transport provided are asked to arrive at Perth Concert Hall Auditorium either at 5.00pm or at least 20 minutes prior to their rehearsal time for registration. Please continue reading for registration and signing out procedures.

Upon arrival, all pupils should report to their conductor in the Concert Hall Auditorium where they will be asked to sign in and remain seated until they are called for rehearsal. **All pupils are asked to bring a packed tea with them which they will have the opportunity to eat in the Auditorium before/after rehearsals.**

In line with health & safety procedures, we ask all pupils to remain in the hall after registration.

The concert is anticipated to be shorter than usual, so the intention is to have no interval but short breaks to reset for the next ensemble. It is hoped that pupils and parents will stay to support the musicians playing in the rest of concert.

All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps at the side of the stage at the end of the concert.

We are aware that the vast majority of parents will be in attendance and therefore will be able to pick up their child/children after the concert. However, there may be a few circumstances where parents will not be in a position to personally collect their children and have made alternative arrangements for their child/children to go home. In this case, we ask parents to please contact the Music Service Admin Team on 01738 477878 or email MusicService@pkc.gov.uk to clarify how your child/children will be going home i.e. with a friend, relative, independently.

Please note, all Primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians.

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To all Parents/Guardians of Central Groups Pupils

Pupils should wear their Central Groups tie, white shirt, black trousers/skirt and black shoes. Central Groups ties will be provided to pupils who do not have one. Pupils who are performing with Central Groups for the last time i.e. not attending Music Camps, should return their Central Groups tie for new members to use. Anyone who wishes to keep their tie is asked to make a donation to the Young Musicians' Parents' Association (YMPA).

Tickets for the above concerts are free of charge. Please contact the Perth Concert Hall Box Office to request your tickets, which are required for seating allocation, on either 01738 621031 or visit www.horsecross.co.uk. We recommend you request your tickets in advance to avoid long queues on the night. **For your information, our parent support body, Young Musician's Parent's Association (YMPA), will be making a collection to allow them to continue their support for our young instrumentalists. Donations will be kindly received!**

Please note these concerts mark the end of Central Groups for this term (with the exception of Perth Youth Orchestra). Rehearsals will resume September/October 2024.

Many thanks for your continued support with these events.

Yours faithfully



Allan R Young MBE
Music Co-ordinator

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Central Groups Concerts, 26 & 27 March 2024

Registration & Signing out Procedures

Registration

Arrival

All pupils will be registered upon arrival in the Auditorium and shown to their allocated seating area to leave cases and coats prior to rehearsal.

Departure

Primary Pupils

All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians at the end of the concert.

Secondary Pupils

All secondary pupils must sign themselves out with their group leader before leaving the concert venue. Any parents of secondary pupils who specifically wish their children to be signed out/over to them should contact the Instrumental Music Service Admin Team on 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk. Please see information below for designated signing out areas.

Central Groups Concert 1, Tuesday 26 March 2024

Rehearsal Schedule

Wind Orchestra
Piping Ensemble
Concert Band
Guitar Ensemble

5.15pm	Wind Orchestra, Conductor: Mrs Purcell
5.40pm	Piping Ensemble, Conductor: Mr Mulholland
6.00pm	Concert Band, Conductor: Mrs Barker
6.25pm	Guitar Ensemble, Conductor: Mr Baillie

Performance Schedule

Guitar Ensemble	Conductor: Mr Baillie
Concert Band	Conductor: Mrs Barker
Piping Ensemble	Conductor: Mr Mulholland
Wind Orchestra	Conductor: Mrs Purcell

After the rehearsals in the Auditorium pupils will be taken to their warmup rooms to await call for performance.

Warm up rooms:

Guitar Ensemble – Tay Room, Perth Concert Hall – Following performance, pupils will return to the Tay Room to drop off their instruments and make their way to the upper balcony in the auditorium and will remain there until the end of the concert. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the

concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Concert Band – Norrie Miller Suite, Perth Concert Hall - Following performance, pupils will return to the Norrie Miller Suite to drop off their instruments and make their way to the upper balcony in the auditorium and will remain there until the end of the concert. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the left-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Piping Ensemble – Tay Room, Perth Concert Hall – Following performance, pupils will return to the Tay Room and will remain there until the end of the concert. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Wind Orchestra – Earn & Tilt Room, Perth Concert Hall. Following performance, children will return to the Tilt Room to collect their belongings. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Central Groups Concert 2, Wednesday 27 March 2024

Rehearsal Schedule

Percussion Ensemble
Senior String Orchestra
String Orchestra
Choir
Brass Band

5.15pm	Percussion Ensemble, Conductor: Ms Paterson
5.35pm	Senior String Orchestra, Conductor: Mrs McGovern
5.55pm	String Orchestra, Conductor: Ms Steele
6.15pm	Choir, Conductor: Ms Perman
6.40pm	Brass Band, Conductor: Ms Stewart

Performance Schedule

Brass Band	Conductor: Ms Stewart
Choir	Conductor: Ms Perman
String Orchestra	Conductor: Ms Steele
Senior String Orchestra	Conductor: Mrs McGovern
Percussion Ensemble	Conductor: Ms Paterson

Brass Band - Earn Room, Perth Concert Hall. Following performance, children will return to the Earn room to collect their belongings and make their way to the upper balcony in the auditorium and will remain there until the end of the concert. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or MusicService@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Choir - Tay Room, Perth Concert Hall. Following performance, children will return to the Tay Room to await to be called again for the finale with Percussion Ensemble. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or MusicService@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

String Orchestra – Norrie Miller Suite, Perth Concert Hall - Following performance, children will make their way to the upper balcony in the auditorium and will remain there until the end of the concert. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the left-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or MusicService@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Senior String Orchestra – Tilt Room, Perth Concert Hall. Following performance, children will return to the Tilt room to collect their belongings and make their way to the upper balcony in the auditorium and will remain there until the end of the concert. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

Percussion Ensemble – Tay Room, Perth Concert Hall. Following performance, children will return to the Tay Room to collect their belongings. Secondary pupils can sign themselves out. All Primary pupils and any Secondary pupils whose parents specifically ask that their child/children are signed out to them, will be signed out in the auditorium at the steps on the right-hand side of the stage at the end of the concert. **All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians. Any Secondary pupils whose parents wish their child to be signed out to them should notify the Music Service Admin Team on either 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk prior to the event.**

TRANSPORT TIMETABLE - TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2024

PLEASE NOTE - ALL TRANSPORT WILL BE PICKING UP ONE HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE IS NO PICKUP FROM SCONE. APOLOGIES FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE

AREA	PICK-UP POINT	TIME
MEIGLE	SPAR	3.40pm
ALYTH	SQUARE	3.50pm
BLAIRGOWRIE	WELLMEADOW	4.05pm
COUPAR ANGUS	CROSS	4.15pm
WOODSIDE	1 st BUS SHELTER AS YOU COME IN FROM COUPAR ANGUS (NOT THE STOP AT THE VILLAGE HALL)	4.20pm
BURRELTON	GARAGE	4.25pm
BALBEGGIE	VILLAGE HALL	4.35pm
KINROSS	HIGH SCHOOL	4.10pm
MILNATHORT	CROSS	4.20pm
GLENFARG	HOTEL	4.30pm
BRIDGE OF EARN	POST OFFICE	4.35pm
CRIEFF	SQUARE	4.10pm
MUTHILL	PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.15pm
AUCHTERARDER	AYTOUN HALL	4.25pm
ABERUTHVEN	OPP.SMIDDY HAUGH HOTEL	4.35pm
PITLOCHRY	OPP. FISHERS HOTEL	4.00pm
BALLINLUIG*	INN	4.10pm
DUNKELD	ROYAL SCHOOL	4.20pm
BANKFOOT	POST OFFICE	4.25pm
STANLEY	SQUARE	4.35pm
LUNCARTY	MAIN ST. BUS SHELTER	4.40pm
*(Aberfeldy pupils should board the bus at Ballinluig)		
DESTINATION	PERTH CONCERT HALL	5.00pm

There will be no return journey as it is hoped that parents will be supporting the concert

TRANSPORT TIMETABLE - WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH 2024

PLEASE NOTE - ALL TRANSPORT WILL BE PICKING UP ONE HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL EXCEPT THE KINROSS BUS WHICH WILL BE PICKING UP 45 MINS EARLIER THAN USUAL

AREA	PICK-UP POINT	TIME
MEIGLE	SPAR	3.40pm
ALYTH	SQUARE	3.50pm
BLAIRGOWRIE	WELLMEADOW	4.05pm
COUPAR ANGUS	CROSS	4.15pm
WOODSIDE	1 st BUS SHELTER AS YOU COME IN FROM COUPAR ANGUS (NOT THE STOP AT THE VILLAGE HALL)	4.20pm
BURRELTON	GARAGE	4.25pm
BALBEGGIE	VILLAGE HALL	4.35pm
SCONE	CHIP SHOP	4.40pm
KINROSS	HIGH SCHOOL	4.25pm
MILNATHORT	CROSS	4.35pm
GLENFARG	HOTEL	4.45pm
BRIDGE OF EARN	POST OFFICE	5.00pm
CRIEFF	SQUARE	4.10pm
MUTHILL	PRIMARY SCHOOL	4.15pm
AUCHTERARDER	AYTOUN HALL	4.25pm
ABERUTHVEN	OPP.SMIDDY HAUGH HOTEL	4.35pm
PITLOCHRY	OPP. FISHERS HOTEL	4.00pm
BALLINLUIG*	INN	4.10pm
DUNKELD	ROYAL SCHOOL	4.20pm
BANKFOOT	POST OFFICE	4.25pm
STANLEY	SQUARE	4.35pm
LUNCARTY	MAIN ST. BUS SHELTER	4.40pm
*(Aberfeldy pupils should board the bus at Ballinluig)		
DESTINATION	PERTH CONCERT HALL	5.00pm / Kinross bus 5.15pm

There will be no return journey as it is hoped that parents will be supporting the concert