Delayed Office Opening for Employee Training

This office will be closed from 8.45 am - 11.00 am on the first Thursday of each month.

To Parents/Guardians of Central Groups Pupils



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Dear Parent/Guardian

ChildLine Christmas Concert, 4 December 2025, Perth Concert Hall, 7.30pm

The following bands have been invited to participate in this year's ChildLine Concert:

- Pipe Band Directed by Mr Mulholland
- Concert Band Conducted by Mrs Barker
- Wind Orchestra Conducted by Mrs Whiteman
- Junior String Orchestra Conducted by Ms Steele
- Senior String Orchestra Conducted by Mr Whiteman
- Perth Youth Orchestra Conducted by Mrs McGovern

Please see below for details of our new registration and signing out procedures and bus timetables for rural pupils. Please note buses are running one hour earlier than usual and in some cases, they may be slightly late for pick up as they will be returning from the school run. Please wait, they will arrive!

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.

We have included this year much more detail with regard to registration and signing out procedures. With the growing numbers of pupils performing at these events, we have introduced further measures for the safe registration and release of our young performers. These procedures may take a little more time than before so I would ask for your patience while this process is being implemented.

I would ask that all pupils who are arriving at Perth Concert Hall by car do so in time to be ready to start playing at the given time. Please make your way to the main Auditorium.

12 November 2025

To all Relevant Parents

Certain pupils may be involved with more than one group. Pupils in these circumstances will be involved in a lengthy evening with double rehearsal time prior to the concert. **Pupils should bring a packed tea which they will get the opportunity to eat between rehearsal and concert.**

Pupils performing in the first half will be available for pick up by their parents at the interval. Designated registration stations for signing in and out will be located outside the Norrie Miller Suite (signs will be posted directing pupils to sign in sheets alphabetical by surnames (i.e. A-C, D-I, J-P, Q-T & U-Z).

We are aware that the vast majority of parents will attend the concert and therefore will be able to pick up their child/children after the performances. 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 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.

Pupils should wear their Central Groups tie, white shirt, black trousers/skirt and black shoes. If your child does not have a Central Groups tie, one will be provided.

I would like to thank you all for the incredible support that has been shown for this event. It is going to be a rewarding night I am sure, although there are going to be some very tired performers arriving at school the following day for which again, I thank everyone for their understanding.

Tickets for the ChildLine Concert are available to purchase from Perth Concert Hall. Adults £18.00 (incl. booking fee per ticket); Under 16's £7.00. For further information and tickets, please contact the Perth Concert Hall Box Office on 01738 621031 or visit their website Perth Theatre and Concert Hall or Childline Advance booking recommended.

There are still tickets available, but I am sure if last year's concert is anything to go by, they will disappear very quickly. Please do not wait to purchase your tickets on the night as this can cause excessive queuing and, as this concert is very often a sell out, you may be disappointed should you not obtain a ticket.

Please note there will be no return transport provided as it is hoped that parents will attend this worthwhile event.

This Concert marks the end of Central Groups for this term. Rehearsals resume Wednesday 7 January 2026.

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To all Relevant Parents

All Instrumental Music Service information, and dates of upcoming rehearsals and concerts, is available to view on our Instrumental Music Service App and website www.pkcmusic.com

Yours faithfully

Lynsey Paterson Music Co-ordinator

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Email – <u>MusicService@pkc.gov.uk</u> Website – <u>www.pkcmusic.com</u> Facebook – <u>PKC Music Service</u>

Instrumental Music Service App



Please download the Instrumental Music Service app by scanning the QR code above or search "School App for Parents" in the Apple or Google Play app stores and search "Perth and Kinross Instrumental Music Service"

ChildLine Concert, 4 December 2025

Registration & Signing out Procedures

Arrival - Outside Norrie Miller Suite

All pupils must be registered upon arrival at designated registration stations located outside the Norrie Miller Suite (signs will be posted directing pupils to sign in sheets alphabetical by surnames (i.e. A-C, D-I, J-P, Q-T & U-Z)

Departure – Outside Norrie Miller Suite

Primary Pupils

All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians at their designated registration stations where they signed in (as stated above). This may be at the interval after the first half or at the end of the concert. Please see group information below.

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 Music Service Admin Team on 01738 477878 or Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk All Secondary pupils can be signed out from the designated registration stations as stated above.

Warm Up/Soundcheck Schedule

5.00pm – 5.20pm	Senior Strings Orchestra, Conductor: Mr Whiteman
5.25pm – 5.45pm	Junior Strings Orchestra, Conductor: Ms Steele
5.55pm – 6.15pm	Wind Orchestra, Conductor: Mrs Whiteman
6.20pm – 6.35pm	Concert Band, Conductor: Mrs Barker
6.40pm – 7.00pm	Pipe Band, Director: Mr Mulholland

Please note, the above times indicate the start of the warmup. Please arrive in good time to be able to start the warmup promptly.

Perth Youth Orchestra

Perth Youth Orchestra are not rehearsing prior to the concert but all members are asked to arrive at Perth Concert Hall no later than 8.00pm.

Performance Schedule

First half

Pipe Band – Directed by Mr Mulholland Concert Band – Conducted by Mrs Barker Wind Orchestra – Conducted by Mrs Whiteman

INTERVAL

Second half

Junior String Orchestra – Conducted by Ms Steele Senior String Orchestra – Conducted by Mr Whiteman Perth Youth Orchestra – Conducted by Mrs McGovern After the warmup in the Auditorium pupils will be taken to their dressing rooms to await call for performance.

Warm up rooms:

Pipe Band, Mr Mulholland - Tay Room

- After rehearsals in the auditorium, pupils will go to the Tay room and wait to be called for performance.
- Following the performance, pupils should return to the Tay room to collect their belongings.
- Primary pupils who wish to leave at the interval can be signed out to parents outside the Norrie Miller Suite at their designated registration station (where they signed in).
- Older children can sign themselves out.
- Any pupils remaining to the end of the concert will be escorted to the balcony, after the
 interval, to watch the second half before returning to the signing out stations (outside
 the Norrie Miller Suite) where they can be signed over to parents. All primary pupils
 must be signed over to parents or guardians.

Concert Band, Mrs Barker - Norrie Miller Suite

- After rehearsals in the auditorium, pupils should stay in auditorium until being escorted to the Norrie Miller suite prior to concert and wait to be called for performance.
- Following performance, pupils will return to the Norrie Miller Suite to collect their belongings.
- Primary pupils who wish to leave at the interval can be signed out to parents outside the Norrie Miller Suite at their designated registration station (where they signed in).
- Older children can sign themselves out.
- Any pupils remaining to the end of the concert will be escorted to the balcony, after the
 interval, to watch the second half before returning to the signing out stations (outside
 the Norrie Miller Suite) where they can be signed over to parents. All primary pupils
 must be signed over to parents or guardians.

Wind Orchestra, Mrs Whiteman - Norrie Miller Suite

- After rehearsals in the auditorium, pupils will be escorted to the Norrie Miller Suite to drop off coats and cases and wait to be called for performance.
- Following performance, pupils will return to the Norrie Miller Suite to collect their belongings.
- Pupils who wish to leave at the interval can be signed out to parents outside the Norrie Miller Suite at their designated registration station (where they signed in).
- Older children can sign themselves out.
- Any pupils remaining to the end of the concert will be escorted to the balcony, after the
 interval, to watch the second half before returning to the signing out stations (outside
 the Norrie Miller Suite) where they can be signed over to parents.

Junior String Orchestra, Ms Steele - Tilt & Earn Rooms

- After rehearsals in the auditorium, pupils will be taken to the Tilt & Earn rooms to drop off their instruments and belongings.
- Pupils will then be escorted up to the balcony to watch the first half.
- After their performance, pupils will be escorted back to the Tilt & Earn rooms where they will wait until the end of the concert.

 After the concert, pupils will be signed out at their designated registration station outside the Norrie Miller Suite (where they signed in). All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians.

Senior String Orchestra, Mr Whiteman - Isla Room

- After rehearsals in the auditorium, pupils will be taken to the Isla room to drop off their instruments and belongings.
- Pupils will then be escorted up to the balcony to watch the first half.
- After their performance, pupils will wait in the Isla room until end of concert.
- After the concert, pupils will be signed out at their designated registration station outside the Norrie Miller Suite (where they signed in). All primary pupils must be signed over to parents or guardians.

Perth Youth Orchestra, Mrs McGovern

- Pupils not involved in other ensembles should arrive at Perth Concert Hall for 8.00pm to leave cases and coats. Once called for performance, pupils should bring their belongings (cases and coats) to be left in the Norrie Miller Suite.
- Selected members to help set up stage at interval.
- After performance, pupils will return to Norrie Miller suite to sign out.
- 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 <u>Musicservice@pkc.gov.uk</u> prior to the event.

ChildLine Concert Transport Timetable Thursday 4 December 2025

ALL TRANSPORT WILL BE PICKING UP ONE HOUR EARLIER THAN USUAL

AREA MEIGLE ALYTH BLAIRGOWRIE COUPAR ANGUS WOODSIDE BURRELTON BALBEGGIE SCONE PERTH CONCERT HALL (D	PICK-UP POINT SPAR SQUARE WELLMEADOW CROSS 1st BUS SHELTER AS YOU COME IN FROM COUPAR ANGUS (NOT THE STOP AT THE VILLAGE HALL) GARAGE VILLAGE HALL CHIP SHOP ESTINATION)	3.40pm 3.50pm 4.05pm 4.15pm 4.20pm 4.25pm 4.35pm 4.40pm 5.00pm
AREA PITLOCHRY **BALLINLUIG DUNKELD BANKFOOT STANLEY LUNCARTY PERTH CONCERT HALL (D **Aberfeldy pupils should by		4.00pm 4.10pm 4.20pm 4.25pm 4.35pm 4.40pm 5.00pm
AREA KINROSS KINROSS MILNATHORT GLENFARG BRIDGE OF EARN PERTH CONCERT HALL (D	PICK-UP POINT PRIMARY SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL CROSS HOTEL POST OFFICE ESTINATION)	TIME 4.00pm 4.10pm 4.20pm 4.30pm 4.35pm 5.00pm
AREA CRIEFF MUTHILL AUCHTERARDER PERTH CONCERT HALL (D	PICK-UP POINT SQUARE PRIMARY SCHOOL AYTOUN HALL ESTINATION)	TIME 4.10pm 4.15pm 4.25pm 5.00pm

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