



13th March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: GCSE Music National Youth Orchestra Concert at Saffron Hall, Saffron Walden on Monday 15th April 2024

We are planning a trip to Saffron Hall to watch a National Youth Orchestra music concert which is taking place at Saffron Hall on Monday 15th April 2024. This falls on a school INSET Day. This is a fantastic opportunity to experience some world class live music. As a school, we have received limited free tickets to the concert and these will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. A performance from the 'world's greatest orchestra of teenagers' is always an inspiring event – students will experience an ensemble of their peers, drawn from across the country, exploring and performing some of the greatest orchestral music of all time. This special performance will take Prokofiev's Symphony No.5 as a starting point, and the orchestra's young musicians will introduce instruments, themes and context of the piece, before a complete performance of the symphony.

Students should meet Mr. Butler in the Heart Space at 10.45am. We will be leaving Passmores Academy at 11am and travelling to Saffron Hall by school minibus. When we arrive at Saffron Hall, we will eat our lunch on the minibus. All pupils must bring a packed lunch. There are no facilities to eat inside Saffron Hall or to buy food. We will be leaving Saffron Hall at 3.20pm and aim to arrive back at Passmores Academy at 4.20pm, traffic dependent.

As the concert falls on an INSET day, students are allowed to wear appropriate non-uniform for the duration of the trip.

If you would like your child to attend this trip please complete the Form of Consent and hand in to the Finance Office at Passmores Academy by Friday 25nd March at the latest.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at d.butler@passmoresacademy.com

Yours faithfully,

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