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Dear Parent/Carer

Music Update



This term we are taking part in the BBC's exciting new initiative for primary schools focusing on classical music and creativity. Children throughout KS1 and 2 have been listening to a variety of pieces designed to inspire a generation of children to get creative with classical music. We are listening to the pieces in assembly and in class music sessions along with creating our own compositions inspired by some well-known and some lesser known pieces. Children in Y5/6 will visit the Early Music Centre on the 4th February for a special screening of the Ten Pieces film as well as taking part in a music workshop with a community musician and hearing music played live by one of the student orchestras from York!

Please do ask your children about their favourite piece and the story behind them; they really have been very enthusiastic about the project! If you would like more information on this exciting project please see the Ten Pieces website

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01vs08w>



We are taking part in Sign Health's annual fundraising event Sign2Sing which takes place on **Thursday 5th February** this year. We have started learning this year's song 'Joining Hands Today' and the children have picked up the signs very quickly as well as the song's catchy melody! We will be sending a letter out with details of the event nearer the time which will include donations of £1 and cakes for a special cake stall at the end of the day. If your child would like to practise the song please visit the website <http://www.sign2sing.org.uk/learn-the-songs/>

Fishergate Choir

We are really excited to have the strongest choir we have had for many years at Fishergate with highly committed singers taking part in regular events. Christmas is always a busy time for music in school, especially members of the choir. We took part in Carols by Candlelight, performed at the school fair and raised money for the Smiley Riley Fund by carol singing at Sainsbury's. As well as this we have taken part in the MEG Musical where we sang songs from the Lion King and are looking forward to the Choral Festival in the summer term.

If your child is interested in joining choir and is in Y1-6 we meet every Thursday from 3.15 until 4.15. New members are always welcome! Please see Miss Teale if you would like any more details.



On Monday 26th January the Italian club has started! There are some space's available, so please speak with Helen in the office if your child would like to join! It will be every Monday in Mr Pennington class at 12.30-1pm Valentina will teach Italian through songs and her guitar, dances, poems, puppets and....cooking! Come and join a fun club.

Best wishes

Andy Herbert

(Head teacher)