

September 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Trip to De Montfort Hall, Friday 26 October 2018 - Philharmonia Orchestra**

As part of our provision for pupils in music, we have booked tickets to see the professional orchestra, the Philharmonia, performing Beethoven's 'Emperor' Piano Concerto Number 5 and Rimsky-Korsakov's *Scheherazade*. Our aim is to offer our pupils the opportunity to experience the power of seeing and hearing live performances and support this through independent learning and teacher led discussion. The performance links in with both the work the orchestra is doing in rehearsals and the GCSE area of study that relates to 'The Concerto Through Time'.

The performance is taking place at De Montfort Hall, Leicester, on **Friday 26 October 2018** at 19.30. Since this is a twilight trip, you will be required to arrange transport for your child to and from the venue. Please escort your child to **meet with a member of Brockington College staff in the foyer at 18.30**, and we will then supervise them throughout the visit. Pupils will need to be **collected after the performance from the foyer at 22.00**. As this performance is finishing late and is taking place in the city centre, in order to ensure the safety of your child, I would ask that you inform me in writing or via email if you wish to arrange for someone, other than you, to collect your child.

During the performance, there will be a limited amount of free time during the interval. Pupils will be expected to follow the instructions issued by members of staff regarding guidelines on how they spend the free time. Please reiterate with your child the importance of following member of staff instructions, which are in line with our risk assessments. The maximum amount of spending money that your child should take on this trip is £10.00, which they will keep throughout the trip and for which they will be responsible. Pupils will not be required to wear uniform on this trip.

We would very much like this visit to take place. However, the visit is an "optional extra" under the 1996 Education Act and the school is allowed to make a charge in full. **The cost of attending the performance is £10 and must be paid in full, along with the return of the completed reply slip by Tuesday 2 October 2018.** If there are not sufficient pupils to make the trip viable, then the trip will be cancelled and a full refund will be given. We must make it very clear that no funds whatsoever exist for this activity. However, parents of children who are in receipt of free school meals are entitled to 'Opportunity Funding' to cover the cost of the trip. Please contact the school office for an application form, which should be completed and submitted before the deadline stated above.

If the trip is over-subscribed, the school will follow the selection process within the Educational Visits Policy. Any pupils not selected to attend the trip will receive a full refund.

Yours sincerely

Mrs R. O'Hara  
Performing Arts

Return To: Mrs O'Hara (via Main Office) by Tuesday 2 October 2018.

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I would like my son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_  
of form \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in the above visit.

1: Payment (please tick the appropriate box)

I confirm I have paid the balance of £10 in full via ParentPay on the Brockington College website.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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or

I confirm I have submitted an 'Opportunity Funding' application form.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2: Supervision (please tick the appropriate box)

I agree to my child having the allocated free time and they understand they must follow the guidelines set out by staff.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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or

I would prefer for my child to have no unsupervised time and wish them to remain under the supervision of staff during these times.	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(By the adult with legal responsibility for the young person)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_