

## School Music Bulletin - Issue 2

### Top Tip:

#### ***“Put musical learning into a rich context***

*Especially in areas of deprivation, children's personal musical experiences may be very limited and they often won't have many experiences to 'hang' their learning on to and understand the musical world around them. Ask your school community of parents and carers if there are any musical volunteers who would like to share their love of music with your school.” Sarah Todd*

*Sarah is lead music at Woolenwick, passionately championing equity in early music education. In 2023, she launched the Primary Music Strategy—a legacy project spanning Woolenwick Infant and Junior schools to develop young woodwind players. By next year, nearly 200 children under 9 will read music and play a single-reed instrument. A classically trained musician and jazz saxophonist, Sarah has raised over £10,000 for music and charitable causes and serves as a global ambassador for NUVO instruments.*

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### Upcoming Events

#### **You're Invited: Music Meet & Mingle – An Evening to Connect**

We've heard from many of you how valuable it is to have time to connect informally with colleagues—so we're making it happen!

Join us for a relaxed and friendly evening with fellow music educators from across Hertfordshire. Build connections and enjoy great conversations in a welcoming atmosphere.

**Date:** Tuesday, 16th December 2025

**Time:** 5 – 7 pm

**Location:** Mid Herts Centre for Music & Arts, Birchwood Avenue, Hatfield, AL10 0PS

**What to Bring:** Your favourite drink and nibbles

#### **Why Come?**

- Meet and connect with fellow music educators
- Share stories and laughter in a relaxed setting
- Celebrate the community that makes music education thrive

No agenda. No pressure. Just good company and great conversation.

**RSVP:** Please reply by completing: [Music Meet & Mingle – Fill in form](#)

We can't wait to see you there!

*Hertfordshire Lead Schools and Hertfordshire Music Service*

### [Lead Schools for Music](#)

#### **Have a Question for a Lead School?**

If you would like to:

- Ask a question
- Arrange a face-to-face or online meeting
- Schedule a phone call
- Organise a school visit

...with one of our [Lead Schools for Music](#), simply complete the **Request Form**. Once submitted, the Lead School will contact you directly to arrange the next steps.

**Complete the Request Form [Lead School Contact Form – Fill in form](#)**

## Spring 2026 CPD & Networking Events

We warmly invite all music educators across Hertfordshire to take part in any of our sessions. You are welcome to attend as many sessions as you wish, and there is no limit on the number of staff members from your school who may join—everyone is encouraged to get involved.

Date	Time	Event	Venue	Topic	Booking Link
4 Feb	3:45 - 4:45 PM	<b>SEND</b> Music Network	Online	Joint schools' concerts planning, Sound Sensations Update	<a href="#">SEND Music Network (2) – Fill in form</a>
11 Feb	3.30- 4.30pm	<b>Primary</b> Music Network	Online	Networking opportunity for Generalist primary teacher leading music	<a href="#">Networking for Primary Generalist Teachers Leading Music – Fill in form</a>
24 Feb	4:00 - 5:00 PM	<b>EYFS</b> Music Network	Online	Musical skills & language development	<a href="#">Early Years Music Network (2) – Fill in form</a>
4 Mar	4:00 - 5:00 PM	<b>Secondary</b> Music Network Mid, South and West	Online	GCSE and KS4/5 Composition and moderation The future of A-Level Music	<a href="#">Mid, South and West Secondary Music Network (2) – Fill in form</a>
4 Mar	4:00 - 5:00 PM	<b>Secondary</b> Music Network East	Online	Boys engagement with music	<a href="#">East Secondary Music Network (2) – Fill in form</a>
17 Mar	4:00 - 5:00 PM	<b>Primary</b> Music Network East	Haileybury Turnford School	Practical session with rhythm work, notation and singing	<a href="#">East Primary Music Network (2) – Fill in form</a>
18 Mar	4:00 - 5:00 PM	<b>Primary</b> Music Network North	The Priory School	Baseline continuation & starting ensembles	<a href="#">North Primary Music Network (2) – Fill in form</a>
26 Mar	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	<b>SEND</b> Joint Music CPD	SouthField School	Music for Regulation in Mainstream and SEN settings	<a href="#">School Music CPD - SEND – Fill in form</a>

