

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

## Re: Music in Secondary School Trust (MiSST) Launch

I am delighted to invite you to the launch of our Music in Secondary School Trust (MiSST) Launch at The Bourne Academy, which is due to commence on <u>Thursday 8 September</u> at 18:00 and 18.45 (according to student houses).

As you may be aware, The Bourne Academy is starting an exciting new venture with MiSST, where every Year 7 student will be loaned either a Violin or Flute and will be given free tuition for at least two years. The scheme uses the Andrew Lloyd Webber Programme. The Bourne Academy is only one of 22 schools across the country to be allocated this funding.

The launch event is an opportunity for both you and your child to understand more about the programme and the opportunities that students can be involved in.

The evening will involve:

- An introduction to MiSST
- Opportunities and concerts
- Signing of instrument contract
- Receiving your instrument

Students will need to be given their instrument to be able to access this exciting new programme as part of their timetabled lessons.

We are now in receipt of over 100 flutes which will be handed out during the launch event, however due to well documented global supply chain issues, we are not expecting the violins that were ordered in March to be delivered to us until late September. We would however like you to attend so you fully understand the scheme and to sign the contract in advance.

Instruments have been allocated by House and the evening will be split into halves. One for students studying the violin and one for students studying the flute.

House	Time	Instrument
Anvil, Calshot, Hurst	1800 – 1830	Violin
Kingswear, Portland, Trinity	1845 – 1915	Flute

The event will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions about the scheme.

To confirm your attendance at the event, please book your free tickets through our online booking system, Ticketsource, which, can be found at <a href="https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-bourne-academy">www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-bourne-academy</a>.

Further information about the MiSST program can be found at https://www.misst.org.uk/

Yours sincerely

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