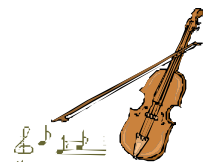




BMYO Newsletter 4/11/10



Christmas Concert



**Friday 3 December 2010 at 7.30pm
Bearsden Burgh Hall, Drymen Road**

Rehearsals: Please note the final rehearsal on the day before (Thursday 2 December) is business as usual. Members should arrive at 7:00pm on the concert evening. (Rehearsal on 18 November at Bearsden Academy)

Dress: Symphony Orchestra: all in black. Concert Orchestra: black/dark with self-coloured top. String Orchestra and Wind Ensemble: cheerful and smart.

Tickets: Because of hall capacity, tickets will be limited to three per family and must be purchased in advance, at £5 for adults and £1 for children under 16 (includes refreshments at the interval). Tickets will go on sale on 11 and 18 November at rehearsals. After that, unsold tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis on 25 November and 2 December.

Catering: Any extra help at the interval would be appreciated; please call Carol Gibson (Refreshments) on 942 9542, if you can lend a hand.

Raffle: We will be holding a raffle at the Concert. Please bring donations to rehearsals until 25 November.

Invitation to Instrumental Teachers Please detach the invitation at the bottom of this letter and give it to your instrumental teacher.

AGM and Committee: The AGM was held on 30 September 2010 at Douglas Academy. Thanks to all those parents who have volunteered to help at concerts, etc. The new committee was elected as follows:

Chairman/Publicity:	Ramsay Shields	Hall Lets:	Marion Murphy
Secretary:	Kate O'Donnell	Concert Management:	Alyson Harland
Treasurer:	Kate Crooks	ConcertLets/Child Protection:	Roslyn Lindsay
Making Music Rep:	Lynn Tang	Newsletters/Programmes:	Evelyn Lennon
Membership:	Carol Gibson	Refreshments:	Carol Gibson
Parent Rota:	Louise Franklin		
Committee Members:	Susan McEwan, Peter Smith, Jim Callaghan, Val Corbett, Heba Lakany, Aileen MacCorquodale, Alison Fettes		

P.T.O.

Bearsden and Milngavie Youth Orchestra Christmas Concert

Friday 3 December 2010 at 7.30pm
Bearsden Burgh Hall, Drymen Road



An Invitation to Instrumental Teachers

We would like to invite you to the forthcoming concert by the Bearsden and Milngavie Youth Orchestra. At least one of your pupils is in the orchestra and we would therefore like to extend this invitation to you. This is by way of thanks for the splendid work done by instrumental teachers, from which we benefit. We very much hope that you will be able to come. Please treat this letter as a complimentary ticket and feel free to bring a guest if you wish.

RSVP: If you would like to attend, we should be grateful if you could let us know by 22/11/2010 by calling Ramsay Shields - Tel. 0141 577 9171 or email rbshields@ntlworld.com

Bearsden and Milngavie Youth Orchestra (www.bmyo.org.uk)



Website: Jenny Wilson has kindly offered to continue taking care of our website. Please visit www.bmyo.org.uk regularly to check for up-to-date information. For instance, the school let may have to be changed at short notice (why not try registering with Twitter – for instructions on how to do this, follow the link at the website). The latest newsletter will also appear.

Subscriptions: Please pay your fees if you have not already done so. If unsure, ask for details (£25 per term or £25 + £15 for subsequent children.)

Code of Conduct: Although BMYO is run as a friendly, informal group it nevertheless has to adhere to health and safety guidelines and school regulations at all times. Accordingly, there can be no running or fooling around. Please remind your children to respect the school and its property. All children should be collected promptly or, in the case of children waiting for older siblings to finish, they should be supervised by a parent.

Fire Regulations: Children must now be signed in and out of the building. Those aged 11 and under must be signed in by an adult; 12 years old and over may sign themselves in.

Parent Rota: Please arrive by 6.40pm if you are on duty to: set up music stands (and take down afterwards), put out chairs and, most importantly, help supervise for the duration of the rehearsal to ensure compliance with the code of conduct and general well-being of the children. Assisting with preparation of the refreshments would also be appreciated. **Please make a note of your duty evening in your diary; the orchestra cannot operate without sufficient adult supervision. It is your responsibility to swap with another parent if you are unable to do a duty. If you are unsure of your duty dates, check with Parent Rota Secretary – Louise Franklin, Tel. 584 9158.**

Insurance: Please insure your instruments! BMYO carries public liability insurance but this does not extend to members' personal effects. We strongly advise you to insure your children's instruments. There is always a chance of accidental damage when a large number of children are gathered together.

New Year Rehearsals will start again after the holidays on Thursday 6 January 2011. The date for the **Easter Concert** is Friday 25 March 2011.