



**9<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

## **Welcome**

In our newsletter this week, we continue to share recommended music activities for pupils to engage with at school or at home. Please share and keep music alive in these difficult times.

Do get in touch, if you find these suggestions useful or you have some ideas of what you would like to see in future newsletters.

For all previous newsletters, to view our YouTube clips and see our brochure, please visit our [website](#).

Thank you to all the schools who have responded to our requests for Autumn term.. If you are still deciding on next year's provision, please view our [brochure](#), detailing what we can offer.

Why not take this opportunity to discuss your school music education plan?

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# SIPS – Music & Arts Service: Artsmark Partners



**Artsmark  
Partner**

*Supporting cultural education, endorsed by Arts Council England*

Artsmark is the creative quality standard for schools and education settings, awarded by Arts Council England, recognising their commitment to high quality arts and cultural education.

SIPS – Music & Arts Service is proud to be supporting schools and education settings on their Artsmark journey, inspiring children and young people to create, experience, and participate in great arts and culture.

Our services can support any school, which is working towards, or currently holds an Artsmark Award, by providing dynamic and enriching musical opportunities as part of a broad and balanced arts curriculum:

- High-quality individual, small-group and whole-class music tuition
- Opportunities for children and young people to showcase their musical learning
- Live music experiences
- Bespoke workshops in a variety of genres and styles
- Discounted access to Charanga
- Specialist music CPD for teachers
- Expert consultancy and support

SIPS Music and Arts Service is an Arts Award centre, and can support your school in delivering Arts Award in your context, as well as providing musical opportunities that will help your children and young people achieve their Arts Award. We aim to support Sandwell schools in their Artsmark journeys, with additional support including:

- Ongoing support, consultancy and school visits throughout the project
- Creating a network of schools going through the Artsmark process together
- Signposting to opportunities within the Sandwell Music Hub and beyond

Find out more about [Artsmark](#)

To find out how SIPS Music & Arts Service can support your Artsmark journey, contact Tanya Derham (Service Manager) [tanya.derham@sips.co.uk](mailto:tanya.derham@sips.co.uk) / 0121 296 2997

## Advice from Music Mark



### **Music Unlocked : Guidance for Schools and Music Providers**

Music Mark have put together [three documents](#) – all of which are ‘live,’ in that they will be reviewed as often as more research comes to light, to make sure we are providing as clear and helpful guidance as we can. There is a short, simple guide for schools (primarily aimed at helping head teachers and governors understand that musical learning can and must be part of the curriculum as pupils return to school), a more detailed guide for music providers (which school music teachers may also find useful), and a ‘literature review’. This last document simply links to all the research we have found for those who want to go to the source material for more in depth reading.

### **Pizzicato Lane for Early Years**

[Pizzicato Lane](#) offer a complete set of resources, which deliver exciting and engaging music education to early years for both specialist and non-specialist teachers. It supports a progressive model, in line with new Ofsted framework, which reinforces music development across your school. Making music education vibrant and immersive through:

- Original stories
- Musical characters
- Sing a long activities

# Body Percussion for All Ages



**Body Percussion CPD / PD**  
**'Samba Fusion'**  
**Tuesday June 9th, 4 - 5pm BST**

*Samba batucada (Rio style) & samba funk*

- Suitable for all musicians, teachers and facilitators
- Taught using body percussion so no instruments required

**£15 per person**

Email [info@beatgoeson.co.uk](mailto:info@beatgoeson.co.uk) for details

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## Samba Party

Energetic, fun and bursting with noise, [Little Sambistas classes](#) are the perfect way for children to learn something new whilst having brilliant fun! Join Mister T for 30 mins of percussion silliness! Got a saucepan? Great! Now it's a drum. Got a salt shaker? Yes! You're ready to party Samba style.



## Singing in Sandwell

### Out of the Ark Music

[Out of The Ark](#) continues to bring us fantastic resources.

Song of the Week from **Sing Up** – [The Bear Necessities](#)

Sing in a light jazzy style and learn a simple beatboxing accompaniment.



**Ex Cathedra** is delighted to share with you a few of their favourite SingMaker songs via the [SingMaker YouTube](#) platform.

Each Monday, this summer term, a new song – presented by Ex Cathedra's SingMaker team as an interactive film – will be released. These are aimed at up to 11 year olds and free to access. There will be brief notes associated with each song to maximise learning and enjoyment of participation.

Follow Ex Cathedra on [Facebook](#).

# Creative Listening at Home and School



The BBC Ten Pieces team continue to share fantastic resources for you and your pupils to enjoy. [BBC Ten Pieces](#) has weekly activities for primary schools, home educators and parents to share with their students. Each includes a Ten Pieces film to watch and enjoy and a linked creative activity that can be completed by children at home without any special materials or preparation. A perfect, simple and easy way to keep listening, enjoying and creating music at this time.

In this week's feature, we learn about Cuban rhythms, create a kitchen percussion section and perform along to the lively 'Mambo' from 'West Side Story' with percussionist Stephen Whibley from the [BBC Concert Orchestra](#). Fantastic for Year 6, 7 and 8 students.

# Connecting the Dots



## **Bringing together schools and BBC musicians for free, unique musical encounters**

The way we live and teach has changed rapidly in the last few weeks. Ten Pieces is here to help you and your students continue to get creative and enjoy music. Like most people, the musicians from the BBC Orchestras and Choirs are currently staying at home. Although the musicians can't play together in person - they can share their music and skills online. During the Summer Term, Ten Pieces will be connecting UK schools with BBC musicians for online workshops - offering children the chance to meet a musician, hear them perform and ask them questions.

\*\*As well as BBC Musicians, we will be working with the Ulster Orchestra in Northern Ireland to deliver these online workshops.

### **Who is it for?**

This opportunity is primarily for children attending school - offering a special experience for those who are unable to learn at home either because of their personal circumstances or parental occupation. Where appropriate; we will consider applications from groups not in school but unfortunately this offer is not open to individuals. Decisions will be made based on the local educational landscape.

### **What does it offer?**

The workshops will offer schools a unique chance to meet a musician, hear them perform, ask questions and take part in musical activities together. Workshops will last 20 minutes and take place over video-conferencing technology.

### **What do I need?**

Schools applying must have the technology and internet access to be able to partake in a video call. The school must have a member of staff who will be able manage the set-up and delivery of the workshop.

### **How do I apply?**

To apply for Connecting the Dots, please complete the online [application form](#).

Applications will be assessed on a rolling basis and will be carefully considered based on location and capacity of musicians.

## Big Top Music



We are delighted to share [Big Top Music's YouTube Channel](#) with free interactive lessons for children and young people with additional needs.

## English Touring Opera

English Touring Opera have sent us links for free online video tutorials for:

- [Children with additional needs](#)
- [Sing lessons for children from an opera singer](#)
- [Singing lessons for adults from an opera singer](#)

## Music Technology Recommendation

Thanks to our friends at Leicester Music service for the [music technology link](#) for KS1 – 4.



## Instrumental & Music Making

Below are some video tutorials to share with your young musicians, featuring SIPS's Music Tutors.

### For Instrumental Students

If any of your pupils/students play an instrument, there are tutorials being uploaded each day with suggestions for home practice, backing tracks and activities on our [YouTube](#) channel. For example:

- Learn to [play G on flute](#) with Mrs. Bye
- How about some [percussion warm-ups](#) with Mr. White?

## West Bromwich Albion Playlist

Mr. Smith, one of our woodwind teachers, was approached by West Bromwich Albion, to perform their playlist. You can watch the video [here](#). Boing, boing!

## Music CPD for Your Staff

We are offering the following courses for your school. Each course is 2 hours long and presented via Zoom. Fee: £160 (exc. VAT) per candidate.

For more information on course content, and enrolment please contact [tanya.derham@sips.co.uk](mailto:tanya.derham@sips.co.uk)

- ◇ **Redesigning Your Music Curriculum Offer In Line with The New Ofsted Framework** – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June @10.00am
- ◇ **Music and Wellbeing in Your School** – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June @ 1.00pm



## Keeping In Touch

Continue to look out for this weekly newsletter, which is also available through our website. We'd also love to get your feedback on its content, and hope to tailor it to your needs, as the weeks progress.

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