



Birley Primary Academy

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Dear parents/carers,

Here at Birley, we know how important music can be in all of our lives and we want to spread the word. Music makes us feel good! Whether it is to cheer us up when we are feeling down, to help us to re-live happy memories or to have a good old knees up to, music can be a powerful tool to help us to get through our sometimes stressful lives. Not only this, but taking part in learning to play a musical instrument continuously from an early age improves coordination, teamwork and concentration. Recent research has even shown that frequent musical activity literally helps our brains to grow and become more effective.



WORLD MUSIC DAY

This year, World Music Day takes place on Saturday 21st June and we will be celebrating in school on **Monday 22nd June** with a whole day dedicated to exploring music and music making! Here are some of the events taking place.

Dress to impress!

1. Monday 22nd June will be **Dress up day**. We would love pupils to come to school wearing any (age appropriate) musical themed costumes. Some suggestions would be: a musical instrument, a pop star, a famous composer. There will be prizes for the most imaginative or joyful costumes. If your child would like to take part, we would like to ask for a donation of £1 which should be given to your child's class teacher on the day. All funds raised will go directly towards helping us to enable more of our talented young people to access music lessons and experiences at school.

2. Colouring Competition:

All children can enter the coloring competition by colouring the music themed pictures which will be sent to their classes shortly. Entries must include the pupil's name and class. Entries cost £1, which should be attached to their entry, The pictures must be returned to school by the end of the day on Monday 22nd June.

We will display as many completed posters as possible around school during the week and there will be prizes for our winners.

3. Chat to a musician

We would love to invite musicians in our community to come and share their love of music during the day. If you know of someone who would enjoy visiting some of our classes to play or talk about their musical instrument, please contact me as soon as possible and I will try to arrange this.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope that, this will be an enjoyable and exciting day of musical activity for all of our pupils.

Kind regards,

Sue Ellis (Music coordinator)



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