

24 April 2025

Toscana Strings concert for all children in years 1-6

Dear Parents



I am very pleased to inform you that on Friday 9 May, a string ensemble composed of 5 string players and a dancer will be visiting Grange Park to perform a story set to music: *The Wind in the Willows* by Elgar. The year before last, the children enjoyed the same group performing *The Monkey Puzzled* by Julia Donaldson.

Each year group will visit the Main Hall for a 45 minute concert at different times throughout the day. There will be a chance to ask questions about the instruments too.

It will be exciting for the children to see a live performance, and especially hear and see violins, a viola, cello and double bass up close. I hope it will inspire some children to take up a string instrument themselves! More details about booking lessons for September will follow in a separate letter later on this term.

The ensemble, who also came last summer, are travelling from Derbyshire, so to cover their travel costs and contribute to their amazing performance, we would ask you to kindly pay **£4.00 per child** through Arbor > Activities > Trips > Toscana Strings

I'm sure the children will have a great experience and it will enrich their musical understanding.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Neale
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