



Our Ref: ARN

October 2023

**YEAR 10 & 11 PARENTS/CARERS OF GCSE MUSIC STUDENTS**

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Symphony Hall Trip - Thursday 11 January 2024**

On Thursday 11 January 2024, Year 10 & 11 GCSE music pupils have the opportunity to watch a live performance of The City of Birmingham Orchestra at Symphony Hall in Birmingham. This will support pupils to understand the context and purpose of the concerto, which is one of the main styles of music focused on for the listening exam. It will also promote the value of music education as pupils will be able to see and hear the range of careers that are on offer within the music industry.

The cost of the trip is being subsidised and is therefore being offered at a reduced rate of £20 per pupil. **A reduction to this amount has however been applied to Pupil Premium students. Please see your ParentPay account for details.** This includes, transport, insurance and admission. Payments can be made online through the ParentPay site. If you require any assistance with this please contact the school.

**Could we please ask that all payments are made by Tuesday 19 December 2023.**

In terms of travel arrangements, the concert starts at 2.15pm so we will be leaving Dormston at 1.00pm. Pupils will be able to have their lunch at 12.30pm before they leave. We will be returning at approximately 5.00pm. We will ask pupils to update you on our return time on the day. Pupils will be allowed to take their mobile phones for this purpose but these must be switched off and in their bags at all other times.

Please be aware we expect excellent behaviour from all pupils attending this trip. Any pupils behaving inappropriately in school before the trip will not be taken. If this happens then no refunds will be made. We ask for your understanding with this matter.

Yours sincerely

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