

7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

**Winter Showcase – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

We are delighted that your child will be taking part in this year's 'Ely College Winter Showcase of Art, Drama and Music'.

The Art department are putting on an exhibition of our students' finest work. The Drama department will present 'Ernie's Incredible Illucinations' written by Alan Ayckbourn and Music will be adding seasonal and popular ensemble and solo items to the event.

All ensemble rehearsals will be dedicated to preparing for the Winter Showcase and it is important that all our musicians are fully committed. I know that they have the talent to put on an excellent show, so to avoid the disappointment of our pieces not being ready to perform, it is crucial that we have full attendance at ALL our rehearsals. Your support and assistance in reminding them about bringing instruments to school, practising at home and attending rehearsals will be vital in order to ensure their best performances.

There are only five weeks (five rehearsals) before the event itself. We can do this, but we must be assured of everyone's support and commitment.

Here is a reminder of our weekly rehearsal schedule:

Monday	13.30-13.50	Woodwind Ensemble	Mr Vinall
Tuesday	13.30-13.50	Ukulele Orchestra	Student-led
		Ely College All Stars – Vocal Group	Ms Olaifa
Wednesday	13.30-13.50	String Ensemble	Mr Vinall
Thursday	13.30-13.50	Brass Ensemble	Mr Vinall

Thank you for all your encouragement and support of Music. We very much hope to welcome you to the Winter Showcase on 13<sup>th</sup> December, for what promises to be a very enjoyable evening, celebrating the Creative Arts.

Yours faithfully



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Head of Music

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