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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 Concert Band

Your son/daughter has expressed interest in taking part in the Music department's Session 6 extra-curricular provision.

I am writing to you to share details of this provision, and to hopefully clarify any questions that might arise.

Concert band will take place on a Wednesday Week B and Thursday Week A, starting on Wednesday 23rd September (week B), between 15:05 and 15:55. The rehearsal will take place in LG1, which is allocated to this specific year group during the same curriculum day, so your son/daughter will be using an appropriate space that follow the college's risk management policies. As with normal music curriculum lessons, your son/daughter will be asked to use sanitiser on entrance/exit of their classroom, and they will be asked to leave their bags on the storage racks provided outside of the classroom.

LG1 is a large room, that is a well-ventilated space. The decision has been made to include as many of the students in the Year 10 GCSE Music class as possible. Students will be separated and positioned in an appropriately distanced band formation within the classroom. Students who perform a woodwind or brass instrument have been asked to purchase a shower cap (from any local supermarket) to use the bell of their instrument to reduce aerosol transmission for the time being. I am in the process of purchasing some instrument-specific moisture guards for specific instrumentalists to use in rehearsals, which can then be purchased via WisePay from the Music department. More information on how to purchase this equipment will be available over the coming weeks. An accurate register will be kept monitoring student attendance and participation.

As concert band will be taking place at the end of the school day, alternative travel arrangements will be required for students to make their way home. At the end of the rehearsal, your son/daughter will be walked around the main school site, and will exit through the main car park outside front reception.

Thank you for your support and encouragement to get your son/daughter involved in the Music department's Session 6 provision, and I look forward to sharing the product of their musical participation with you in the near future.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Newsome
Subject Leader for Music