



# Special Edition Music Newsletter



## Welcome to our 2026 Music Newsletter

We have had an exciting year in music with our class music, instrumental lessons and several performances.

## Events

### Christmas sing-a-long



We had our Christmas sing-a-long towards the end of the Autumn term. This involved all the children at Stillness Juniors. The Y3's shared some of their ukulele learning in it.

### Choir

Choir is open to 4-6. It takes place in the music room on Wednesdays 3:30-4:30pm.



You can sign your child up for the choir on the school website using the online form <https://www.stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk/curriculum-assessment/music/>

### Thank You

A big thank you to our music tutors. Thank you to the Stillness staff for their involvement with the preparation and running of all of our events.



### Our Tutors

Chris McShane - Piano

Murray Anderson - Drums

Andrew Liddell - Flute & Clarinet

Matt Holborn - Violin & Guitar





## Emma Johnson Music Foundation

In January The Emma Johnson Music Foundation visited to deliver an assembly called 'Instrumental stories'.

They told several stories that involved instruments. The stories were accompanied by illustrations and live music played by our 4 visiting musicians. The children had a live experience of watching and listening to a Clarinet, Bassoon, French horn and Double bass.



## Instrumental lessons

Instrumental lessons will automatically continue in the Autumn term for those children already learning an instrument in school. Please make payment by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

Instruments on offer at Stillness Juniors are Clarinet, Piano, Drum kit, Flute, Violin and Guitar. You can apply for lessons using the online form on the school website.



<https://www.stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk/curriculum-assessment/music/>

**For lesson prices, please see the school website**

## Spring Recitals

Our Spring recitals took place in March. There were 3 separate recitals in which 85 children took part on a range of instruments. They all played & sung beautifully.

Thank you to our instrumental tutors for preparing them so well.



## Highlights from our class music lessons

### Y3

We have continued with their ukulele and singing sessions in music this year and will be performing at the Arts & Culture evening.



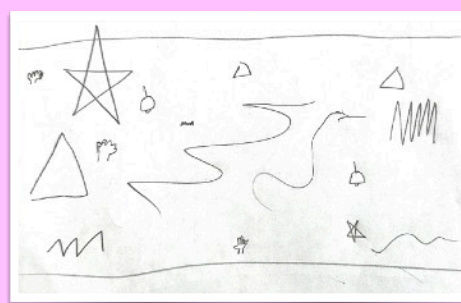
### Y4

We have been looking at world music including Samba, Music of Africa and are now moving on to Music of India.



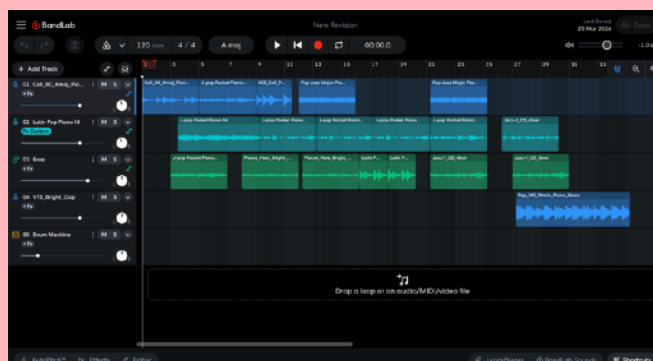
### Y5

We have been looking at a range of ways of composing, including experimental music, traditional notation and major and minor keys to create different moods. We will be exploring orchestral music this half term.



### Y6

We have been looking at song structure and composition using music technology. We will be exploring the 12 bar blues this half term.



## After School Ensembles

After school Ensembles available to apply for are as follows:

### Djembe ensemble

Tuesdays – 3:30 – 4:15pm

### Choir

Wednesdays – 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Instrumental lessons and after school ensembles run for 10 weeks each term.

You can apply for after school ensembles on the school website on the music curriculum page. Here is a link:

<https://www.stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk/curriculum-assessment/music/>

## Upcoming events

### Arts & Culture evening



We are looking forward to our Arts & Culture evening on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. We hope you will all come and join us.

