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 NEWSLETTER **FEBRUARY 2020**

**Thank you!**

**First of all, we would like to thank everybody who came to the Christmas Open Day on 14 December. All of our young musicians and choirs gave such wonderful performances – tremendous work by the Music Services team. Thank you also for the generous donations of raffle prizes - raffle ticket sales, tombola and kind donations raised a fantastic total of just over £1000.**

**What’s new?**

East Renfrewshire Music Service has launched its new App. Please check your child’s bag/instrument case for our flyer. To download the app, scan the QR code from the flyer or search “PSA” or “PSA primaryschoolapp” in the Apple or Play app stores. Once you’ve opened the app, just search for “East Renfrewshire Instrumental Music Service”. [pic.twitter.com/Ye5OI69HFV](https://t.co/Ye5OI69HFV) . We hope this new interactive way of accessing information tailored to each child’s individual participation is a positive experience. Feedback is always welcome.

**“Buy and Sell your musical instruments, music scores and tuition books”**

We are revitalising the “Buy and Sell your musical instruments” service provided by FERSM. From 29 February, you will be able to notify FERSM of details of instruments you are selling, wish to donate or seeking to purchase. Ideally, this should be done in person at our table set up most Saturdays at Williamwood High School (supplying contact details, description of item, price and photos, if selling). You might also wish to provide details via Facebook (see link above). Rather than charging commission, we would kindly ask you to consider a small donation for any item sold through this service. In addition to the buying and selling of musical instruments, we welcome used music scores, tuition books etc. You will have the opportunity to either sell through FERSM by providing details, as outlined above for musical instruments – or donate and we can sell, proceeds to go to FERSM. Donations can be dropped off at our table on Saturday at Williamwood High School – so we can recycle and give a helping hand to the next group of musicians starting off in their journey of learning.

**What’s coming up?**

* ‘East Renfrewshire Returns to the Classics’ –East Renfrewshire Schools’ Symphony Orchestra Concert on Sunday 1 March -7.30pm, Sherbrooke Mosspark Church. G41 5AD. Tickets, £8/£5, available at the door. All welcome!
* To all those participating at the Glasgow Music festival on 15 & 16 March-smile &enjoy!
* Band Supplies will be displaying instruments at Carlibar PS on Wed. 25 March 6-7pm & Williamwood High School on Sat. 28 March 10:00-12:00.
* Do check out the full diary of events on the new app.

Finally thank you to all those who volunteer to support FERSM activities by either sitting at the dedicated table on a Saturday, helping out at busy fundraising events such as the Christmas Open Day. We’re a friendly bunch – do pop over and say hello, if you’re passing. If you can offer to help on occasions, this would also be most welcome.