

# LSMS SEND Music Newsletter

For Students with MLD/SLD/PMLD

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Look out this Summer term for a wonderful opportunity for EVERYONE!

The LSMS are going to create a virtual version of Paloma Faith's "Make Your Own Kind of Music". To be involved please look out for further information that is coming out to schools very soon!

## Winter Festival

The Winter Festival, funded by Leicester-Shire Music Education Hub, continued to be well received in schools. Despite the cold and damp weather, the musical activities provided by King Brass and supported by Soft Touch Arts lifted the spirits of both students and staff alike.

"I'm sure they told you in person but I wanted to let you know what incredible feedback I have received about your visit. I have had loads of emails and texts from leadership, teachers who enjoyed listening in! They all said what a great event it was. Thank you so much, I think we needed this." (Kate Hallam-Jones; Birkett House)



## Instrumental Teaching

Have any of your students developed an talent or an interest in music during Lockdown? Have they enjoyed the Jamalongs Videos by Carrie and Mowkee or loved the Winter Festival? Have they shown an interest in playing an instrument?

If so, the LSMS can deliver small group or individual lessons for you.

Please contact me stating which instruments you would be interested in learning and whether this would be for a class, a small group or for individuals.

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## I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing

Members of the SoundAbout choir from Leicester joined forces with the King's Singers and the other Soundabout choirs to create an innovative music video for UN Zero Discrimination Day (March 1). Its aim was to reach across the world with a message of togetherness and solidarity.

The current Leicester members are amazing. Several of them learned all the words and signs in under 2 weeks so that they could take part. Click [here](#) to view the video.

In just a handful of rehearsals some members of the choir are already offering their own ideas for songs, signs and suggestions of activities for the sessions. Friendships are starting to form and despite having never met in person, they are supporting and including one another.

If you have any students in school who you think would really benefit from a group like this, please do continue to promote the choir to their families. [SOUNDABOUT](#)



## CPD & Free Consultations for SEND Music Co-ordinators

Our Summer CPD programme includes sessions for music coordinators new to the role "Using Technology in Primary Music Education" and "Music Across the Creative Curriculum." For those co-ordinators who are more experienced you may wish to consider "Developing Outstanding Music Leadership". Please click [here](#) to find out more.

**Free 121 Consultations** are an opportunity for you to talk through any concerns that you have and ask for support and advice. You may wish to discuss 121 lessons, extra-curricular clubs, the SEND scheme of work, or ask for support for a project that you are planning. Click [here](#) to sign up for an appointment.

If you would like further information about any of the resources or projects mentioned in this newsletter, or would like support with musical opportunities for your pupils, please contact Alison Mitchell (SEND Music Leader) at: [Alison.Mitchell@leics.gov.uk](mailto:Alison.Mitchell@leics.gov.uk)

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