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Dear Parents

In recent weeks there have been some queries about how children are selected for particular performances at school. Since so many of your children have their music lessons in school, I am able to keep up with their progress through regular conversations with their teachers. Unfortunately, I'm not always aware of children who have lessons outside school and how well they are doing. It means therefore, that these children are sometimes over-looked for assembly and concert performances. I would like to do something to put this right.

At the bottom of this letter is a slip which you can complete and return to school. I hope that it will give me more of an idea of which instruments your child learns out of school, and the sort of standard they have achieved. Please feel free to give as much detail as you can. Alternatively, if you'd prefer to drop me an email, please do.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to let you know of all the extra music which goes on at school each week. The activities below are provided to your children free of extra charges and are open to all the children in the year groups indicated. For all of them besides Choir, a whistle is blown on the playground and the children who want to attend run over towards me. Each group may be prepared for performances so, if your child attends on a regular basis, there is an opportunity for them to take part in a concert. In addition, children in Years 2-6 attending recorder clubs regularly have found themselves offered a place in our Training Orchestra.

Activity	Day / Time	Year Groups
Singing Club	Monday / 12:30pm	Nursery, R, 1 and 2
Recorder Club	Tuesday / 10:30am	Year 3
Choir	Tuesday / 1:45pm	Years 4, 5 and 6
Recorder Club	Wednesday / 10:10am	Year R
Recorder Club	Wednesday / 12:30pm	Years 1 and 2
Recorder Club	Wednesday / 1:15pm	Years 4, 5 and 6

Many thanks and I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes

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Musical Instruments Child's name _____ Class _____

Please provide information about the instruments your child learns outside school and a rough idea of the standard they have achieved. Thank you.

Signed: _____