

As I write this, 'music night' on a Wednesday evening is taking place and through the walls, I can hear jazz band playing some riffs over a blues backing, a violin duet playing baroque music and a brass solo playing the theme from Starwars. It is such a pleasure to hear live music again coming from our music rooms and practice rooms!

I very much hope that this is the start of some normality for all of us, particularly those who enjoy making music together.

We are so pleased that nearly all DASP Music lessons in schools have returned to face-to-face teaching now and that our ensembles have once again been able to meet together in the flesh.

We look forward to a few exciting projects in the weeks ahead and then to a renewed start in September. I'm so excited to think of the new opportunities that could lie in the year ahead and I very much hope I get to see lots of you at a performance very soon.

Hanna Trevorrow
Head of DASP Music

DASP Ensembles are back!



We are so excited to welcome back our students to start to make music together again after such a long time apart. We only managed 3 face-to-face sessions in October before the November lockdown, when sessions moved online. We were then expecting to resume face-to-face sessions in January, but then lockdown struck again, which sent everything back onto zoom! Since Easter we have made the most of playing together again in-person and the groups are now

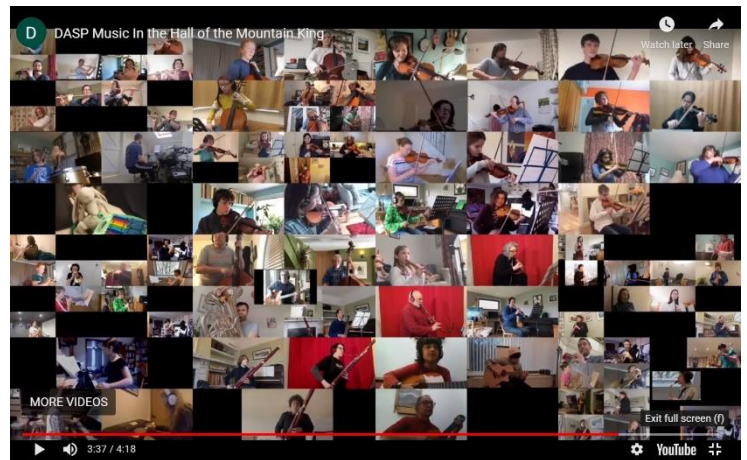
starting to get ready for our Summer Concert in July.

In September the ensembles on offer will be slightly different from those on offer now (which have been restricted due COVID).

If your child learns an instrument, I strongly encourage you to bring them along to try one of our ensembles. Playing in a group not only helps to develop their musicianship and their playing, but also provides a social output for their music making. Music friends are friends for life!

If you are interested in finding out more, please look at our website or get in touch via email.

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As we were unable to play together during the spring term, Mrs Trevorrow decided that it would be nice to do something to create a bit of a community feel. And so the DASP Virtual Orchestra Project was born. 95 people of all ages took part, rehearsing their parts on their own, recording them by themselves and then sending them to Mrs Trevorrow to collate (with some audio editing help from Mr Trevorrow) into a final video. This is such a lovely record of all the different instruments that we

support through DASP Music and it was lovely to see such a mixture of ages from across our community taking part.

If you haven't seen the completed video yet, please do!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0cgpHQP-oDE>

Conservatoire success!



This year we are very proud to say that despite all the obstacles that they have faced this year, our entire A level music class have secured places at top universities and conservatoires to study music. James Osborne-Jackson is planning on going to the University of Birmingham, Esther Jamieson is planning to go to the University of Bristol, Sam Lawson is going to the Royal Northern College of Music and Joe Lyndley is going to study at the Royal College of Music. Whilst we often have many A level music students continuing to study music in Higher Education, it is quite unusual to have so many of our students gaining entry to so many top level institutions in one year!

James, Sam and Joe have all been active members of various DASP ensembles throughout their time

Congratulations to them all and we wish them all the best for the future!

Beginner Group Tuition



In addition to our usual lesson provision, this year, the Dorset Music Education Hub are offering children currently in years 4 & 5 the opportunity to join a Beginner Group Tuition group in September (when they are in years 5 & 6).

These small group lessons in trumpet, flute, clarinet and oboe only, will cost £55 per term and will include the hire of an instrument for the term.

Obviously, lessons are also available on many other instruments in the middle schools, however, this is a special scheme that includes instrument hire. If you'd like to see a short video about each instrument on offer, please click below:

Flute: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GI9_MF9UapE&t=2s

Clarinet: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=esydjE_MamY

Trumpet: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uat4L526sG4>

Oboe: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z4ZbiE3nG2g>

If you'd like to apply, please follow this link:

<https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/beginner-group-tuition-dasp>

Code: Music

Application deadline: **Friday 25th June**

DASP Ensembles from September 2021

Assuming things are able to return to normal, we intend to run the following DASP ensembles in September:

Tuesday
4pm Guitar Ensemble

Wednesday
4pm Stringalings (beginner strings), Woodpeckers (beginner woodwind), Beginner Brass, Flute Choir, Brass Ensemble, Stringendos
5pm DASP Youth Orchestra
6pm DASP Jazz Band

Thursday
3.45pm Skylarks

Friday
4pm Nightingales



DASP Summer Concert

**Sunday 11th July
@ Borough Gardens
2pm**

Come and join us for an afternoon of music, performed by all of the DASP Ensembles.

Bring a picnic, relax and enjoy!