



## PATRONS OF SCARBOROUGH AREA MUSIC CENTRE

# Newsletter July 2015

As Nigel highlighted in last years newsletter, there have been many changes in the restructure of the music service. Concerts funds now need to be able to pay staff involved for their extra hours worked so this has had a big effect on my plans for our forthcoming concerts. It is to this effect that I am experimenting with a different format for the Gala Christmas Concert 2015 on 12th December. The Spa hire costs at £2000 for the day are too prohibitive so I have decided to hold this concert at Westborough Church this year at a hire cost of under £300. I am also aware that the Gala Concert has been too lengthy for many years and has actually put people off attending. This December, we will rehearse at music centre in the morning as usual, then there will be two concerts. One late afternoon for the younger ones and the other at 7pm but finishing no later than 9.30pm for the older ones. Concert goers will be able to purchase a ticket for either concert, or one for both if they have children in a mix of ensembles. That way, no one has a late night, and the younger ones get home considerably earlier!!

This year we were lucky enough to have received a couple of generous donations to our funds. We would like to thank the families concerned and would like you all to know that this has enabled us to fund the purchase of new instruments (3 top quality cellos with cases) a new stage piano and amplifier, as well as other equipment that was in need of replacement. We have also used the donation to fund the Guitar Workshop mentioned earlier. There is still some left for future projects too.

Again, a big thank you for your continued support, without which we would not be able to give the children at Scarborough Music Centre such a varied and quality experience.



On the back of this page is a list of known dates for the next academic year along with our contact details.

I hope to meet you at one of our events in the near future

Yours,

*R. Alder*



Mr Ralph Alder

Scarborough Area Music Centre Manager

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**Here are some dates for your diaries and I hope to see you at future events:**

2015:

26th September: EASY Jazz at Scarborough Jazz Festival

7th October: ECB & Scarborough Concert Band at Queen St Methodist

5th December: EASY Jazz Thornton Dale Lights

12th December: Gala Concert at Westborough Church

2016:

19th March: SAYSO at Westborough Church

23rd April: Boyes Celebrity Concert

25th June: Westborough Church (Bands)

2nd July: Westborough Church (Orchestras)

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