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Dear Parent / Skipton Music Centre Member,

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Here are the details of the many varied concerts, workshops and events which are taking place this term and in the Summer term.

**Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup>: Big Band Workshops with Derek Southcott**  
Junior Big Band am. **Informal Concert 12.00pm, Main Hall, Aireville School.**  
Senior Big Band pm. **Informal Concert 3.30pm, Main Hall, Aireville School.**

**Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup>: Cello Workshop with Christine Dittman**  
All morning event. **Informal Concert 12.00pm, Main Hall, Aireville School.**

**Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup>: Chamber Concert, 3pm, The Priory Church, Bolton Abbey.**  
Soloists and small ensembles will perform.  
Admission free, retiring collection for charity.

**Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>: Wind Concert, 7pm, Main Hall, Aireville School.**  
Junior Band, Wind Chamber Ensemble, Wind Band and the Harrogate and Skipton Area Concert Band.

**There will be NO Music Centre on Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> BUT**

**SUNDAY JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup> : MARATHON MUSIC DAY**

We will have non-stop music from 9am – 9pm in the Main Hall, Aireville School. All groups will be involved during the day, as well as former members of SMC and the staff will also perform. We will round off with a formal concert at 6pm given by the Junior String Ensemble, String Chamber Ensemble, Orchestra, Choir and Guitar Ensemble.  
This event will be a charity fund raising event for the Buskaid String Project in Soweto, South Africa.  
There will be refreshments available throughout the day (including BBQ), so make a day of it and enjoy the music!

We are also going to holding a Sponsored Practice, again for the Buskaid String Project. Read about Christine Dittman's visit to South Africa and working with the project on our web-site, [www.skipton-music-centre.org.uk](http://www.skipton-music-centre.org.uk) News/Buskaid 2002

**SATURDAY JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup> : BIG BANDS IN CONCERT.** Venue to be confirmed.

**SATURDAY JULY 5<sup>TH</sup> : Informal end of term concert 11am, Main Hall, Aireville School.**

I will send more details of each concert/event nearer the time.

And finally

**Notification of non attendance**

It is clearly important that ensemble members make every effort to be present each Saturday. It is, however, recognised that there will be occasions when health issues, for example, make this impossible.

If your son / daughter is unable to be present please e-mail: [anne.heaton@skipton-music-centre.org.uk](mailto:anne.heaton@skipton-music-centre.org.uk) no later than 5pm on a Friday or ring the Music Centre mobile phone: 07909 526437 (switched on Saturday morning 8.30-1.00). You can leave a message at other times.

I hope you enjoy the rest of this term and all the exciting events we have lined up and "Thank you" for your support of Skipton Music Centre.  
Best Wishes,  
Anne Heaton  
Skipton Music Centre Manager.