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Dear Skipton Music Centre Member / Parent

I hope you have enjoyed your first few weeks back at Music Centre and a very warm welcome to all our new members. If you are new to the Centre please can you fill in and return a registration form asap. A very warm welcome to our new member of staff, Ruth Godfrey. She will be directing the Junior Band, Wind Chamber Ensemble and taking the Theory Class.

Unfortunately Pam Whitehead is unwell at present but I am very pleased to say that Peter Young has kindly agreed to conduct the Wind Band and the Senior Big Band in her absence.

We already have some concert dates arranged:

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2007, 11am, Main Hall, Aireville School**

Junior String Ensemble, Junior Band, Junior Percussion Ensemble, Guitar Ensemble, Junior Big Band, Choir

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2007, 7pm, Main Hall, Aireville School**

Orchestra, Wind Band, Senior Big Band, Wind Chamber Ensemble, String Chamber Ensemble, Senior Percussion Ensemble.

**Concerts with the Northern Chamber Orchestra 2008**

I am very pleased to say we will be working with the Northern Chamber Orchestra (a professional Orchestra based in Manchester) on a series of projects in 2008.

**Percussion:** Workshops for all percussionists

January 12/19/26 **Concert: Saturday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2008, Main Hall, Aireville School**

**Composition** : Workshops (including a visit from English composer and pianist John McCabe  
www.johnmccabe.com )

February 2/23 March 1<sup>st</sup> **Concert: Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2008 Main Hall, Ermysted's Grammar School**

**Choir – Faure Requiem** Rehearsals begin in January **Concert: Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup> 2008 Christ Church, Skipton**

Some excellent events to look forward to!

**Friends of Skipton Music Centre – AGM 13<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

The Friends of Skipton Music Centre (FSMC) AGM will take place at 9:30am on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> of October, in the main school building at Aireville.

We'd be delighted for anyone interested in supporting FSMC to attend the meeting. As a group our aim is to raise funds to support the activities of the centre and provide support for staff and students, as well as organising the various concerts held through out the year.

**It would be great if you could come along and support us!**

I hope you enjoy the rest of the Autumn Term at Skipton Music Centre.

Best Wishes,

Anne Heaton

Skipton Music Centre Manager