



Sefton Music Centre

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| To: Members, Parents & Carers  Pupils involved in Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday groups. | Date: 15 May 2017 Please contact: Mr C Lennie  Contact Number: 0151 934 3933  Email: [music.service@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:music.service@sefton.gov.uk)  www.skymusichub.com |

Dear Members, Parents and Carers,

**Proposed Rehearsal Arrangements from September 2017.**

Following a recent meeting with Ensemble Directors, there are proposals for new rehearsal arrangements from September.

Essentially this would mean that the groups that currently rehearse on Wednesday evenings would move to Friday and the groups that rehearse on Thursday evenings would move to Monday.

There are numerous benefits to these changes;

* There will be better progression routes for pupils currently participating on Wednesday and Friday evenings. This will reduce the amount of travelling for (pupils and parents) who are involved in rehearsals on both nights.
* There will be financial savings, since the Centre will be open on 2 nights per week (rather than 5). This is in the context of very tight funding.
* We will be able to keep the charges to parents at current levels up until 2020.
* There are social benefits in terms of having rehearsals on two evenings per week.

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The proposed format is as follows;

**Monday**

Intermediate Jazz 6.00 - 7.00

Jazz Orchestra 7.00 - 8.30

Junior Strings 4.15 - 5.00

Intermediate Strings 5.00 - 6.00

String Orchestra 6.00 - 7.45

**Friday**

**Brass**

Junior Brass 4.30 - 5.15

Intermediate Brass 5.15 - 6.15

Brass Sectionals

(for Wind Orchestra i.e.

Brass Ensemble members)

5.45 – 6.15

Brass Ensemble 7.30 - 8.30

**Woodwind**

Junior Woodwind 4.30 - 5.15

Intermediate Wind Band 5.15 - 6.15

Wind Orchestra 6.15 - 7.15

Woodwind Sectionals 7.30 - 8.00

Percussion times will be confirmed before the end of term.

**I’d be most grateful to receive any feedback on the above proposals. Please send this by email to** [**chris.lennie@sefton.gov.uk**](mailto:chris.lennie@sefton.gov.uk) **by Friday 9th of June.**

**Yours sincerely**

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