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As lead partner in the Sutton Music Hub, Sutton Music Service works with a range of partner organisations to create all kinds of opportunities for children and young people across the London Borough of Sutton to have an excellent, high-quality music education. Supported using public funding from the Department for Education and Arts Council England, we are tasked with delivering the aspirations of the National Plan for Music Education.

Thousands of local children gain their first experience of learning to play a musical instrument through our successful 'First Access' Whole Class Ensemble Tuition (WCET) programme. Many more access high-quality instrumental tuition through our self-employed Approved Instrumental Teacher scheme at local schools and academies and through our Wednesday and Saturday Music Schools. Our ensembles provide opportunities for young musicians to progress through our structure of bands and orchestras. We work with local schools to support and augment music provision, develop a Singing Strategy and offer an extensive and affordable instrument loan service.

Sutton Music Service now exists as part of Cognus Limited, a private company jointly owned by the London Borough of Sutton and local schools. Cognus Limited continues to be the leading provider of education support services to local schools and educational settings. Sutton has a national reputation for excellence in education, and is consistently one of the best performing local authority areas in England. Our approach and aspirations mirrors that of our schools and academies for excellence and achievement for all children and young people, whatever their background.

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Autumn 2017

7.30pm Friday 24 November 2017, St Andrew's Church, Northey Avenue, Cheam SM2 7HF

Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO)

End of term concert for Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.00pm Monday 27 November 2017, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Young Musicians String Group (YMSG), Young Musicians Training Orchestra (YMTO) & Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB)

End of term concert for Young Musicians String Group (YMSG), Young Musicians Training Orchestra (YMTO) and Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.00pm Tuesday 28 November 2017, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO)

End of term concert for Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.00pm Thursday 30 November 2017, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Young Musicians Orchestra (YMO), Sutton Young Singers (SYS) & Sutton Youth Symphonic Band (SYSB)

End of term concert for Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.30pm Friday 15 December 2017, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Sutton Music Service's Christmas Cracker

Our annual celebration of festive music will feature Sutton Youth Brass Band (SYBB), Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO), Sutton Youth Choir (SYC), Sutton Young Singers (SYS) and a massed choir of young singers from secondary schools across Sutton. Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

Spring 2018

Friday 2 –Sunday 4 March 2018, High Ashurst Activity Centre, Box Hill

Residential Music Course for young musicians in Years 4-8

Our popular action-packed, three day camp for young musicians in Years 4-8 at High Ashurst Activity Centre on Box Hill, in the heart of the Surrey countryside. The weekend provides excellent opportunities for music making, team building and making new friends, under the direction of expert Sutton Music Service tutors and conductors. Contact us for more information.

Friday 9 March 2018, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Sutton Regional Festival of Music For Youth

As part of the world's largest festival of youth music, we will once again be hosting the Sutton Regional Festival of Music For Youth. The day will feature performances by young musicians and singers from across south

London, including Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO), Young Musicians Orchestra (YMO), Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO) and Sutton Young Singers (SYS). FREE event, no booking required.

7.00pm Monday 19 March 2018, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Young Musicians String Group (YMSG), Young Musicians Training Orchestra (YMTO), Young Musicians Orchestra (YMO) & Sutton Youth Choir (SYC)

End of term concert for Young Musicians String Group (YMSG), Young Musicians Training Orchestra (YMTO) and Young Musicians Orchestra (YMO). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.30pm Tuesday 20 March 2018, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO) & the Band of the Grenadier Guards

A special charity concert featuring Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra and the world famous Band of the Grenadier Guards, with a collection for the Mayor of Sutton's charities and Sutton Youth Music Supporters' Association (SYMSA). FREE event, tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.30pm Wednesday 21 March 2018, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

'KISS' featuring String Fever & young musicians from Merton Music Foundation, Sutton Music Service

Our London Music Fund supported partnership project, 'KISS' (Keep It Simple Stupid'), concludes with a special performance celebrating the magic of Motown music. The concert will feature professional string quartet, String Fever, with young musicians and singers from Merton Music Foundation and Sutton Music Service. Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.00pm Thursday 22 March 2018, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB), Sutton Youth Symphonic Band (SYSB) & Sutton Young Singers (SYS)

End of term concert for Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB), Sutton Youth Symphonic Band (SYSB) & Sutton Young Singers (SYS). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.30pm Friday 23 March 2018, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra & finalists of Sutton Music Service Young Musician of the Year 2018

Talented young soloists perform with Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO) in the concerto final of Sutton Music Service Young Musician of the Year 2018. Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

Summer 2018

Monday 2 – Friday 6 July 2018, KS2 Instrumental Festival, St Andrew's Church, Cheam

Young musicians from primary schools across Sutton

Young musicians from primary schools across Sutton that engage in our popular Whole Class Ensemble Tuition (WCET) initiative perform across five evenings at St Andrew's Church, Cheam. Sutton Music Service ensembles will also feature in each concert, as follows – *Monday* Young Musicians String Group (YMSG), *Tuesday* Sutton

Youth Concert Band (tour band), *Wednesday* Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB), *Thursday* Sutton Young Singers (SYS), *Friday* Sutton Youth Concert Orchestra (tour orchestra). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

2.00pm Sunday 15 July 2018, Dorking Halls, Dorking

End of term concert for Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO), Young Musicians String Group (YMSG), Sutton Youth Symphonic Band (SYSB) and Sutton Young Singers (SYS). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

7.00pm Sunday 15 July 2018, Dorking Halls, Dorking

End of term concert for Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO), Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB), Young Musicians Training Orchestra (YMTO), Young Musicians Orchestra and Sutton Youth Choir (SYC). Tickets available from our Eventbrite page.

Saturday 21 – Friday 27 July 2018, Belgium & Holland Tour

Summer tour for young musicians in Year 9+

Our popular summer tours are always a highlight of the year, aimed at young musicians in Year 9 and above that have reached a Grade 5 ability or higher on their instrument. Following a hugely successful trip to Portugal as part of the Lisbon Music Fest in 2017, our next tour will be to Belgium and Holland. Contact us for more information.

Ensemble opportunities

Our ensembles are bands, orchestras and choirs where children and young people come together to have fun and make music in a safe environment, with the support of expert Sutton Music Service tutors and conductors. Being part of an ensemble, helps young musicians progress on their instrument, boosts confidence and team working skills, creates enduring friendships and can inspire a life-long love of music and performance.

Sutton Music Service provide a range of bands and orchestras for players of string, woodwind, brass and percussion instruments. We also offer choirs for young singers to develop their vocal skills. Weekly rehearsals take place during term time, with a concert at the end of each term which all ensemble members are expected to participate in. There are also regular opportunities to take part in collaborative projects with professional musicians, weekend music courses and an annual European concert tour.

Rehearsals take place on weekday afternoons/evenings during term time at St Andrew's Church, Northey Avenue, Cheam SM2 7HF.

Mondays 4.45-5.45pm Young Musicians String Group (YMSG) *beginner*
 5.00-6.00pm Sutton Youth Training Band (SYTB) *beginner*
 6.00-7.00pm Young Musicians Training Orchestra (YMTO) *intermediate*

Tuesdays	5.00-6.00pm Sutton Youth Symphonic Band (SYSB) <i>intermediate</i> 6.15-8.15pm Sutton Youth Wind Orchestra (SYWO) <i>advanced</i>
Thursdays	5.00-6.30pm Sutton Young Singers (SYS) <i>8-13 year olds</i> 6.00-7.00pm Sutton Youth Choir (SYC) <i>13-18 year olds</i>
Fridays	4.45-6.15pm Young Musicians Orchestra (YMO) <i>intermediate</i> 5.30-8.00pm Sutton Youth Symphony Orchestra (SYSO) <i>advanced</i>

Fees for membership of ensembles are paid termly with no reduction for missed rehearsals. Current fees are £58.00 per term and £29.00 for siblings. You will receive an invoice following your first rehearsal, which is payable via online bank transfer – all of the payment details can be found on your invoice.

Keeping up to date

Our newsletter, *Sutton Music Service Express*, is the best way to find out all the key information about rehearsals and concerts – this is available at rehearsals or can be downloaded from our website, where you can also find all rehearsal and concert dates for the year. You can also follow us on social media for regular updates.

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Student Council

Our Student Council is elected annually by members of our advanced ensembles and provides a valuable 'student voice' that influences the provision that we offer.