



# Amersham Music Centre



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# Newsletter

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### Updates following first Saturday

Thank you all so much for such a warm welcome last Saturday and for bearing with us as we settle into new routines. We welcome some new staff, changes of conductors, changes in rehearsal times and rooms. Please do enjoy our noticeboard which you will find in Café Fermata in the Dining Room.

I am delighted that those of you who found Café Fermata enjoyed coffee and homemade cakes and cookies. I am so grateful for the offers of help to oversee the café which allows it to be open all morning from now on - 8.45am ish – 12.30pm – thanks to Mr Pullen and to Mr and Mrs Rutter. There are other slots available if there are others amongst you who would like to get involved – both with serving on a Saturday morning and with baking on a Friday night - the sooner I can start to work with staff and get to know their bands the better. Please do come and sign the rota in the café – it doesn't have to be every week if there are enough offers!

I am also introducing a **BUSKING SPOT** on a Saturday in the Café – a very informal opportunity for students, teachers and parents alike to play in the background for a short while (5 mins max) to add something extra to the ambience and sense of community. If necessary there will be a rota – we will see how it goes. 'Payment' will take the form of a complimentary treat from the café.

The prize of a box of Maltesers was won by 8.28am on Saturday – the young lady did give me her name but I didn't write it down – apologies but could she please come and find me again – the chocolate awaits her. Due to the speed at which that was done and dusted I feel it only fair to not yet reveal the answer and to continue to keep it open for other students to come and meet me – I have two large bags of Mini packets of Maltesers to be eaten!

Another ask please .....I am very keen to build the **PTA**, to look at why it exists, how it can support, who is involved etc etc. The first meeting is to be held this coming **Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 8.00pm** at the **Office at Woodside Junior School**. Everyone is invited to attend as already existing members of Amersham Music Centre. Both myself and Simon Salisbury (Area South Headteacher) will be there with tea, coffee and biscuits to welcome you.



Helen Mitchell

**CONTACT NUMBERS** Please can parents make sure that the Music Centre has an up-to-date contact number for Saturday mornings. You must be available on this number for the entire time that the children are attending the Music Centre – between 8.30 and 1pm.

**PARKING** Please remember that there are lots of children on site each Saturday so please park safely. The yellow 'hashed' area near the front entrance must be kept clear **AT ALL TIMES** for emergency vehicles.

**FIRE DRILL** Within the next month we will be holding a statutory Fire Drill during which the car-park will be closed. Please follow the instructions from the duty member of staff.

**WEBSITE** Due to all the changes that have happened this term the website won't be updated until next week but please do keep checking for Term and Concert Dates. Our address is [www.buckscc.gov.uk/AmershamMC](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/AmershamMC)

**MUSIC STANDS** Please note that all students are required to bring their own music stands to all groups every week. **Don't forget to put your name on your stand.**



## EXAM RESULTS AUTUMN 2011

Our congratulations to the following students who have recently passed exams:

Name	Instrument	Grade
Simon Batsman	Clarinet	7 Pass
Denis Mikhaylov	Violin	6 Pass
William Taylor	Guitar	4 Distinction
Heidi Luttrell	Violin	4 Pass