

Wycombe High School

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Dear Parent

Gala Concert featuring Ascot Brass with Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir - Saturday 24 September 7.30 pm in the School Hall

I am delighted to invite you to the above concert on Saturday 24 September. Ascot Brass and the Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir will be performing this Gala Concert in direct support of Wycombe High School's performing arts. The concert will be featuring solo performances by Wycombe High School's own Wallis Power on cello and Charlotte Nohavicka singing. The intention of this letter is to firstly encourage you to attend the concert, which I know will be outstanding and secondly to explain why it is being held.

For many years the performing arts at Wycombe High School have been widely recognised as outstanding areas in the school. The excellence of opportunities provided for countless numbers of students has been recognised by the hundreds of people, including parents, staff, governors, civic dignitaries and many more that have attended rehearsals and performances, both here and further afield in Europe. Our annual Music Tour receives international accolades; our school concerts, musicals, and plays are always excellent and our dance productions are held in the highest regard in the wider community.

We now wish to develop this success further. With healthy numbers of students participating in a wide range of performing arts events, it is important to give them a really positive experience and support their endeavours by providing the facilities which will enable them to achieve their best. Such facilities will benefit Wycombe High School students and be an invaluable addition for the local community, providing an additional venue for music, drama and dance rehearsals and performances.

However, new facilities are very costly. We are therefore launching a major fundraising campaign to support the required building work. The first phase involves the building of a new dedicated Music Centre, boasting practice rooms, recital and performance space, rehearsal facilities, appropriate acoustics, sound proofing and a state-of-the-art recording area. This will replace our existing facility which no longer fulfils the needs of a very busy and successful department or the talents of our students.

There will be many exciting concerts and events throughout this academic year in support of our fundraising. I will be writing to you about these in the near future. In the interim, we would like to thank Ascot Brass for kicking off our fundraising efforts by donating the proceeds from their Gala Concert to the Wycombe High School Performing Arts Campaign. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information on the concert, Ascot Brass and Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir.

I encourage you, your families, friends, relatives and neighbours to join us Saturday 24 September. Tickets may be purchased at the door, or you may contact Reception at 01494 523961 or email reception@whs.bucks.sch.uk.

Thank you in advance for your support.

With very best wishes



Mrs S N Cromie
Headteacher

Fortiter Fideliter Feliciter

Courageously Faithfully Joyfully





Gala Concert

in support of

Wycombe High School's
Performing Arts Centre Campaign

featuring

Ascot Brass

with

High Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir

and

Music Students from Wycombe High School

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Donation Tickets £10.00 (General seating)
concessions for students and seniors £6.00

Available from the School – Tel 01494 523961

Ascot Brass, 18 Pinkneys Road, Maidenhead, SL6 5DH
(Cheque with SAE please) www.ascotbrass.org.uk
or from

High Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir
<http://www.wycombeorpheus.org.uk>