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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 7 participation in Christmas Concerts

I am writing to inform you of our plans for students in Year 7 to participate in our Christmas Concerts this year. We are very hopeful that all students will participate; this will be the perfect way to introduce them to the musical life of the school and finish off their first term at St Martin's.

Last half term, students learnt the song 'Dynamite' in their classroom music lessons. This half term, they will be learning the song 'Santa Claus Is Coming To Town'. These are the two songs they will be performing in the concerts. Should they wish to practice at home (which is advisable), links to backing tracks, with lyrics, can be found here:

Dynamite - <https://youtu.be/ZL1bmvthjPM>

Santa Claus Is Coming To Town - <https://youtu.be/J8ZE3dzVbl>

Students in the 'X' side of the year group (7R1, 7R2, 7R3, 7Q1, 7Q2 and 7Q3) will be performing in the concert on **Wednesday 8 December**. Students in the 'Y' side of the year group (7H1, 7H2, 7H3, 7B1, 7B2 and 7B3) will be performing in the concert on **Thursday 9 December**.

Both concerts will take place in the South Hall, starting at 6pm, and details of how to book tickets will be issued shortly. Students should arrive at the South Hall on their appropriate evening no later than 5.30pm, to allow us time to take them to their holding room and ensure the concert can start on time. There will be no catering facilities available on site after school, so students who are unable to return home to eat should bring a packed dinner.

We are very much looking forward to finishing the calendar year in style with our Christmas Concerts, and all Year 7 students will be a vital part of achieving this. Thank you in advance for your support, we look forward to seeing you at the concerts, and should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01277 238353 or mharris@st-martins.essex.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Harris
Head of Music

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