



17 November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 7 participation in the Virtual Christmas Concert

As part of our Virtual Christmas Concert this year, we are hoping that every Year 7 student will be taking part in a mass virtual chorus.

Since September, students have been learning a song in class, and this half term they will be learning another. Over the course of the coming weeks, we will be taking them to one of our halls during their timetabled music lesson to film them singing these two songs as a class. Students will be appropriately socially distanced at all times during the recording, and we will be adhering to current governmental guidelines at all times to ensure this can take place safely.

You may wish to assist your son or daughter with learning these two songs to ensure they are fully prepared for the upcoming recordings. Backing tracks with lyrics can be found here:

Don't Start Now: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jIMJQsBwsWg>

Merry Christmas Everyone: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1HvR0ZAB_Xs&t=1s

If you do not wish for your son or daughter to take part in this project, I would be grateful if you could inform me of this via e-mail mharris@st-martins.essex.sch.uk at your earliest convenience. If I do not receive any correspondence from you, I will assume you are happy for your son or daughter to be filmed in their class performance and to appear in the concert.

Thank you very much in advance for your support of what will be a fantastic first musical experience at St Martin's for your son or daughter, hopefully the first of many. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Harris
Head of Music

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