



St. Gabriel the Archangel Multi-Academy Trust

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Year 3 Parents/Carers,

RECORDER FESTIVAL

Monday 9th March 2026 at Big Top Arena Trentham Gardens.

Our Year 3 children are invited to participate in the Recorder Festival this year. They are learning the music in their weekly recorder lessons. This is part of their curriculum music and all children are expected to attend, to experience a performance in a regional venue, outside school. The music in the programme covers a range of ability levels and the children simply join in with the parts and pieces they are able to play. Most children will play a part in all the pieces.

Details about audience tickets for the event, which starts at 10.00am and finishes at 11.30am, are given in the attached flyer, if you would like to attend. These need to be purchased online before the event as tickets will **not** be available on the door. Here is a link to the booking site:

[Choose your performance - The Music Partnership Recorder Festival 2026 | Stage Productions](#)

On the day of the Festival, the children will be transported to Trentham Gardens by coach accompanied by Mr Smith and other adults, leaving school at 8.40am. **Children will need to be in school for registration at 8.30am.** They will participate in a relaxed concert-workshop style event with performers from other schools. After the event, the children will return to school in time for lunch.

Children should wear smart school uniform and remember we are representing the school, so good manners and excellent behaviour are expected from everyone at all times.

Photographs will be taken on the day City Music Service which may be used by the social media and/or in the local press. We will do our best to ensure children who not have photographic social media consent are positioned out of frame.

Children will need to take a water bottle, their school recorder and an inhaler if needed.

Please provide your consent for your child to attend the Recorder Festival on Arbor.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Amison
Music
