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**CHRISTMAS
EXTRAVAGANZA** ★

**2 December 2022 6pm
Kendal Leisure Centre**

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Our thanks to Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra for loaning
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Programme

Fanfare Fredrik Holm

Christmas Eve Sarajevo O'Neill/Kinkel

Suite from The Polar Express Silvestri/Ballard
Believe
The Polar Express
When Christmas Comes to Town
Spirit of the Season

Morceau Symphonique Alexandre Guilmant

Christmas in the Air arr. Strommen
Santa Claus is Coming to Town
Have yourself a Merry Little Christmas
Frosty the Snowman

Suite from It's a Wonderful Life Tiomkin
Movement 2

Music from Frozen Anderson-Lopez/Lopez
Do you Want to Build a Snowman?
In Summer
Let it Go
For the First Time in Forever

Two Christmas Songs arr. Fredrik Holm
Away in a Manger
Jingle Bells

Conductor: Fredrik Holm

Soloist: Tiegan Lowthian

Orchestra Leader: Tiegan Lowthian

Children's Chorus: Flookburgh CE, Heron Hill, Holme Community, Milnthorpe, Old Hutton, St Cuthbert's Catholic, St Mark's CE, Selside and Storth CE Primary School

Welcome Music:

The music played as you came into the hall tonight was performed by the Westmorland Youth Orchestra's **Jazinfusion** group. They rehearse on a Friday evening before the WYO orchestra session. www.wyo.org.uk/wyo-jazz-group

Introduction

2 December 6pm Kendal Leisure Centre
5 December 7pm Carlisle St John the Evangelist

Welcome to our 2022 Christmas Extravaganza concert. We are delighted to bring together two orchestras, Cumbria Youth Orchestra and Westmorland Youth Orchestra, with singers from primary school for two performances.

An event like this requires much commitment and enthusiasm on the part of all those involved. We would like to thank all the students and staff for their hard work. A huge thank you must also go to parents and friends for coming to see the show and supporting their children. We hope it will be an experience you will remember for many years to come.

*We wish you all a very Merry Christmas.
Yvonne Hulme and Sarah Devereux
Cumbria Music Hub*

Away in a Manger

1. Children's Chorus only

Away in a manger
No crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down His sweet head
The stars in the bright sky
Looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay

2. Audience only

The cattle are lowing
The Baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes
I love You, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side
Until morning is nigh

3. Everyone

Be near me, Lord Jesus
I ask You to stay
Close by me forever
And love me I pray
Bless all the dear children
In Your tender care
And fit us for heaven
To live with You there



Jingle Bells

Audience sings the Chorus only

Oh! Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh, hey!
Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh.

About the Orchestras

Cumbria Youth Orchestra and Westmorland Youth Orchestra welcome young musicians from all over Cumbria of around Grade 4 standard and above.

Join us to discover the excitement of creating live music with other young musicians.



- **Cumbria Youth Orchestra** meets in Carlisle for full day rehearsals, usually Sundays, approximately monthly through the school year. www.cumbriamusicclub.com
- **Westmorland Youth Orchestra** meets in Kendal weekly, in term time, on a Friday evening. www.wyo.uk

Beginner and Intermediate Groups

Aspiring young musicians can join a range of weekly groups meeting during term-time in Kendal:

Kendal Music Centre (Cumbria Music Hub)

For beginners to Grade 2. Improve your group playing and music reading skills in a fun, friendly and supportive environment.
www.cumbriamusicclub.com/kendal-music-centre/

Kendal Young Strings
Mondays 4.30-5.30pm

Kendal Young Winds (woodwind, brass, keyboard, percussion)
Wednesday 4.00-4.45pm

Westmorland Youth Orchestra Training Ensembles

For around Grade 2 upwards. Develop skills to prepare to play in a full orchestra in a friendly and fun environment.

String Group
Fridays 5.45-6.45pm

Wind Band woodwind and brass
Fridays 5.45-6.45pm

CYO

Thank you to the CYO tutors and volunteers for coaching the orchestra for this concert: David Birkett, Katherine Bowness, Andrea Barnes, Marion Hinds, Debby Howrie, Justin Kent, Andrew Tugwell

Violins Tiegan Lowthian, Hannah Birkinshaw, Jessica Bridgman, Liza Dangerfield, Alice Di Lullo, Phoebe Evans, Isabel Ferguson, Oscar Holt-Middup, Mia Kubasiewicz, Hannah Mead, Maisy Wallace

Viola Mima Stamatopoulou,

Cellos Robert Anson, Will Archibald, Edward Bishop, Fiona Kirkpatrick, Charlotte McLachlan, Rowan Walker

Piano Finn Blakely, Scarlett Rumbold, Caitlin Penelope Scaysbrook

Flute: Ella Downey **Clarinet:** Meredith Kerr, Antonia Kirkpatrick, Jenny Mounsey, Isobel Sinar

Alto Sax Isla Gordon, Anna Morley **Oboe** Georgia Mead

Trumpet Bella Kerr **Trombone** Hattie Kerr

Tenor Horn Evie Mellor

WYO

Tutors in italics

Violin 1 Tiegan Lowthian, Ella Pratt, Emily Finch, Katie Nowicki

Violin 2 Eilidh Arkle, Bella Hubbard, Wilbur Smith, *Debby Howrie*

Viola Amos Rand, Lydia Harris, Mima Stamatopoulous

Cello Nuala Sankey, George Harper-Metcalf, Olivia Hubbard, Zoe North **Harp** Sophia Walls

Flute Poppy Cruikshank, Sarah Harris **Oboe** *Sarah Davies*

Clarinet Luca Baines, Erin Munford, *Isobel Mortimer*

Bassoon Grace Bateman, Iona Munford

Saxophone Daisy Tomlinson, *Ellian Ozanne*

Trumpet Jake Leech Sanders, Ethan Pugh

Trombone *Graham Harris*

Percussion Kristian Pratt, Gabriel Weber, *Joy Powdrill*

Jazinfusion: Poppy Cruikshank, George Harper-Metcalf, Jake Leech Sanders, Tiegan Lowthian, Iona Munford, Erin Munford, Ellian Ozanne, Ella Pratt, Nuala Sankey, Daisy Tomlinson, Gabriel Weber

Conductor: Fredrik Holm



Fredrik is a conductor, composer and musician from Sweden. He has lived in Lancaster since 2005 and has an office at the Storey where he offers a number of musical services, all with the aim to promote the joy of music.

Fredrik used to work as a bassoonist in various fancy orchestras and ensembles in Sweden and has performed as a soloist on many occasions. The first time the Westmorland Youth Orchestra came in contact with Fredrik was in 2013 when he performed his own bassoon concerto with the group.

Fredrik has been the musical director for WYO for 5 years and has helped to produce a number of exciting concerts on a number of different themes such as Music and Art, Music inspired by Folk Music, Film Music and Video Game music.

Cumbria Music Hub

We are a partnership of local, regional and national music organisations who work together to enable all children and young people in Cumbria to experience and create music, and to engage in their cultural entitlement. Working alongside our young people we provide an environment of inclusion and space for young people to discover their interests.

The lead organisation Cumbria Music Service works in collaboration to achieve the outcomes of the National Plan for Music Education, to support the delivery of the music curriculum in schools, and to give children and young people opportunities to engage and take part in musical activity.

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Children's Chorus

Flookburgh C of E Primary School

Flookburgh Choir involves our Y4, 5 and 6 pupils who are all very enthusiastic musicians and play a variety of Wind and Brass instruments; some even play with our renowned Flookburgh Brass Band. As well as this, they love to sing and have enjoyed practicing for this special extravaganza. They can't wait to hear what it sounds like when it all comes together; a highlight will definitely be seeing, hearing and performing alongside the orchestra on the night - magical! Although we have enjoyed learning all of the songs, our favourites have to be the Christmas melodies but, we do have a soft spot for Jingle Bells!



Heron Hill Primary School

Heron Hill Primary School choir is made up of children from Years 3-6 and we meet on Wednesdays after school to sing together. We enjoy singing games and rounds and often help to lead singing in our school assemblies. Over the years we have performed many times in Kendal at the Brewery Arts Centre, Kendal Leisure Centre, Westmorland Shopping Centre, Elephant Yard, Kendal Parish Church, and Kendal Care Home, as well as performing regularly for our parents and friends at school, and often raising money for charity. Our latest production was 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'. We know singing is good for us physically, mentally, emotionally and socially, and we help to promote singing across the curriculum in our school, as we know it helps us learn and grow. We have even shared songs with our partner school in Kenya.

We are excited to be part of this special event with the opportunity to sing with so many other pupils and a real orchestra!

We are led by Pam Lawson and Alex Hildrew, who both also enjoy singing in a choir outside of school!



Holme Community School

This is group of wonderful singers from Holme Community School Choir who rehearse every Tuesday after school. The choir ranges from year 2-6 mixed boys and girls. We enjoy performing at school events throughout the year but our particular highlight is travelling to Manchester to sing at 'Young Voices' with thousands of other singers.



Mrs Knaggs joins us every Tuesday from Cumbria Music Service to run the choir and to teach music at school throughout the day.

Milnthorpe Primary School

All the Year 5 and 6 pupils from Milnthorpe Primary School are singing in the Christmas Extravaganza. We have been rehearsing in our music lessons and squeezing in extra sing-a-longs wherever we can. We have really enjoyed singing songs from our favourite films.

Many of the children are also members of the school choir and enjoy performing throughout the year. The choir loves to sing for our community, especially at Christmas where we don our festive headgear and visit the local care homes. We also take part in the Cumbria Music Hub Big Sing every year.

Music plays a hugely important part in the life of Milnthorpe Primary school, not only for our pupils but for our staff too.
Mandy Barnsley



St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School, Windermere

We are honoured to be taking part in the Christmas Extravaganza this year.

As a small, yet fully inclusive school, we work tirelessly to provide extra opportunities for our children. We are always out and about in the local Windermere community.

Something which makes us extra special is the fact that we are the only Catholic school within the Lake District National Park, we really are a Lake District treasure.

Last year we were ranked best school in South Lakeland, this year we have been awarded BEST SCHOOL IN CUMBRIA at the prestigious Golden Apple Awards. If you would like to come and visit us, our door is always open.

Our Year 3,4,5 and 6's are representing St Cuthbert's this year. As a group, they love to sing and look forward to our weekly visits from the amazing Sarah Devereux, from Cumbria Music Hub. Sarah has also helped prepare us for this amazing concert.

We hope you enjoy the show. We are Team Cuthberts!



St Mark's CE Primary School and Nursery, Natland

Our choir is usually made up of over 40 children from Years 3 to 6. Our main activity each year is to prepare for and perform, along with 7,000 other children, at the Young Voices event at Manchester Arena. For many years now children from Appletree School have joined us for this incredible experience.

We are excited this year to have the Christmas Extravaganza as another opportunity to sing in front of an audience. In the past we have entertained our local Age UK group when they have visited school with their lunch club.

We have also sung carols at Kendal Care Home and at Asda, as a fundraiser for our PTA. We hope for more opportunities to do the same this year, after two Covid affected years and having to stay at school!

Peter Barfoot Headteacher
and Choir Leader



Selside Endowed C of E Primary School

Our group from Selside School is made up of children from Year 2- Year 6 who are from our two older classes: the Explorers and Discoverers. We have been working with Sarah Devereux, who delivers our Music lessons, since the start of last year. She has taught us so much and fostered a real love for Music in our school. We took part in last year's Big Sing events which we really enjoyed. This term, we have been rehearsing the songs for this Christmas Extravaganza with Sarah every week. Christmas is our favourite time of the year and we have had so much fun getting ready for the concert. We're so excited to share our hard work with you and get together with other schools to sing some brilliant Christmas songs.

Old Hutton C of E School

Representing Old Hutton Primary school are singers from Miss Brown's Year 3&4 class, who have First Access sessions on a Thursday afternoon with Mrs Knaggs from Cumbria Music Service. Although we are learning to play the keyboard in our first access lessons we also love to sing each week and have enjoyed getting ready for the extravaganza. We have taken part in Hub Big Sings in previous years and always enjoy performing with other schools.

Storth C of E Primary School

In Storth we sing as much as we can! We have a brand new school choir under the leadership of Mrs Gibson which meets every Friday for an hour. We regularly take part in the events at the Brewery, as well as carol singing at Booths, Morrisons and Holly Bank care home in Arnside. The school takes part in the Storth Summer fair with singing and dancing, as well as at the school summer and winter productions. We have great fun doing this and find it a great release from the toils of school life. The whole school takes part and we are soon to be joining with the local Ukrainian Choral group in some more traditional songs and carols.



