

May 30th 2012

Dear Colleague,

GREATER GWENT SOLO & QUARTET CONTEST 2012

I refer to the above Contest which is taking place at the YMCA, Mendalgief Road, Newport **on Saturday 9th June at 9.00am.**

The adjudicators for the day are Tom Hutchinson and Chris Thomas both of the Cory Band. Both adjudicators will play a short recital before the results of the Solo Contest.

I am delighted to report that a total of 76 participants have entered, and the timetable for the day is enclosed. I have also enclosed a list of participants and the order of playing. All participants must register at the times stated. I also ask you to adhere strictly to the time limits of the pieces selected. A serious breach of the time limits may be penalised by a deduction of placing.

All participants must register at the time stated on the timetable, and should bring with them the following:

- copies of music to be played so that it can be passed on to the adjudicator.
- Piano parts for the official accompanists (if required)

Can you please let me know before the event how many participants will require piano accompaniment. There will be two pianists John Metcalf and Dan Bickerton at the YMCA all day. The registration point for both sections will be the Room 1 and the warm-up room for both sections will be the board room.

Admission to all sections in the YMCA will be £2 adults & £1 concessions will be available on the door.

Finally, I would appreciate it if all bands could adhere strictly to the rules of the contest in order to achieve an enjoyable and successful event.

It is usual as a part of our performance activities for still pictures and video footage to be taken of our performances in action. The pictures and video footage are used to provide copies to students and pupils and as part of our publicity and information activities. All photographing and videoing falls within LEA guidelines for photographing students. The participation of students in our activities is on the basis that permission has been granted by students and their parents for still pictures and video footage to be taken.

If you have any queries regarding the Contest, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Music Support Service Headquarters –01633 414800 (Office), 07976 438594 (mobile) or chris.turner47@sky.com

Yours sincerely
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