



Calderdale Music

Merry Christmas From Calderdale Music!



We've had a fantastic few weeks with all of our music groups performing at least once during the festive season. From Christmas tree festivals to Christmas markets, it's been a joy to see our talented young musicians sharing their music with the community. We are so proud of each and every one of them!

Want to get involved? Find out more about our music groups on our website
www.calderdalemusic.co.uk



Scan the QR code for a full list of our bands and groups and find out how to get involved!



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Coming Up At Calderdale Music

Debut Winds – New Intake January 2026

Do you have a child who is just starting out on a woodwind or brass instrument?
Maybe they've been learning in the classroom and are ready for the next step?

If your child can play their first five notes on recorder, flute, clarinet, alto saxophone
or trumpet, then Debut Winds is their perfect opportunity!

Cost: £5 per week

When: Saturdays 11am – 11:45am at Calderdale Music, HX1 2DL

Special first session*: Saturday 10th January 11am – 12:30pm, this extended
workshop is FREE and will include a short performance for parents at the end.

*Registration required

For full details and to register for the workshop session on Saturday 10th
January, visit the link below

<https://www.calderdalemusic.co.uk/about-us/news/free-wind-band-workshop/>



Free Wind Band Workshop!

Calling all young musicians aged 7-12! Whether you're a beginner or have some
experience (up to Grade 2), we invite you to our exciting Wind Band Workshop on
Saturday 10th January. Bring your recorder, flute, clarinet, saxophone or trumpet and
get ready for a fun filled session of music-making!

This workshop is a fantastic opportunity to explore music, make new friends, and
discover the joy of playing in a wind band. It's ideal for anyone learning an
instrument in the classroom. We can provide an instrument if you need one.

Date: Saturday 10th January 2026 at Calderdale Music, HX1 2DL

Time: 11:00am – 12:30pm

Register via www.calderdalemusic.co.uk

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Highlights Of 2025

As we reflect on 2025, we are filled with pride and joy over the many wonderful moments we've shared. Here are some of our highlights:

Choir Competition with Rotary Club of Halifax: Another successful event showcasing the incredible talent of our local school choirs.

Band Of The Royal Yorkshire Regiment Workshop: Young woodwind, brass and percussion players experienced the challenge and excitement of life as an army musician with a workshop at The Old Courthouse.

Live Stream with Calderdale College Our Saturday Rocks group, who were mostly primary school aged at the time, were able to spend a day at Calderdale College not only performing as part of their live stream but learning more about music technology and opportunities for further study

Work Experience at Piece Hall Summer Gigs: Thanks to Roland and The Piece Hall, teens gained valuable behind-the-scenes experience at some of the summer concerts this year.

Instrument Progress Awards: We've launched our own internal awards to help students track their progress and celebrate their achievements without the pressure of a formal exam.

Voices Together: 43 schools performed on stage at The Victoria Theatre

Music Mark Of Recognition: 31 schools have been awarded the Music Mark of Recognition, and we hope there will be more in 2026!

A huge thank you to our dedicated Music Leaders, our brilliant administrators, our buildings staff and the leadership team for all their hard work this year.

We are excited about the events and opportunities that 2026 will bring. Keep an eye on our newsletters and social media for more information!



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Congratulations Arthur!

At just 12 years old, Arthur passed his Grade 8 drum exam with merit! We're all incredibly proud of this amazing achievement – well done Arthur!

We'd also like to give a big shout out to Arthur's teacher, Mr Drinkwater!



Dates For Your Diaries

Monday 5th January – lessons and ensembles resume in schools and at The Old Courthouse

Sunday 15th March – Workshop with the Band Of The Royal Yorkshire Regiment

Wednesday 29th April – School Choir Competition

School Holiday Closures

Calderdale Music will close at 1pm on Saturday 20th December, and reopen at 8am on Monday 5th January. Our emails will be monitored over the holidays if anyone needs to get in touch.

All that's left is to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Enjoy the festive season, and we look forward to seeing you in 2026!

The Calderdale Music Team



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Get In Touch



Room Hire

Our space is available to hire.

From small meeting rooms to our stunning Performance Space, there's a room suitable for any occasion.

Catering options available.

roomhire@calderdalemusic.co.uk



Music Lessons

We offer music lessons in school, at The Old Courthouse in Halifax and at our music centre in Hebden Bridge.

Register online or contact us for more information

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