



**Calderdale  
Music**

## Newsletter

### **Music Industry Experience Days**

Are you a student in Calderdale with a passion for music? Are you interested in learning more about careers in the music industry?

We are working in partnership with The Piece Hall and Roland to provide opportunities for young people in Y10 – Y13 who live or study in Calderdale to gain an insight into the music industry by going behind the scenes at high profile music events.



**For further details and to apply, please visit our website:**

[www.calderdalemusic.co.uk](http://www.calderdalemusic.co.uk)

**Closing date: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**I am younger/older than Year 10 - Year 13 and/or I don't live or study in Calderdale, can I still apply?**

This opportunity is only for students in these year groups and for students who live or study in Calderdale.

**I have accessibility needs, can I still apply?**

Absolutely! We welcome applications from diverse backgrounds and are committed to making our events inclusive and accessible for everyone. If you are invited to an event, we will work with you and the venue to ensure your needs are accommodated.

**Will I get to meet the artist?**

We cannot guarantee that this event will include an opportunity to meet the artists as the focus of the experience is on the roles involved in the wider music industry.

**Can I stay and watch the gig in the evening?**

We'll be able to confirm this when we send confirmations to successful applicants.

**Can I choose which experience I take part in?**

No - Calderdale Music will allocate students to specific events, based on their interests and skills. There is opportunity on your application form to indicate any dates you are not available due to other commitments such as exams or holidays.

**Can I bring a parent/guardian or a friend?**

This experience is for the student only. If you require support from a parent/carer due to a disability, please indicate this on your application form.

Calderdale Music staff will be responsible for students during the event.

**Can I take photos/videos of the experience?**

Students are not permitted to take photographs for security purposes, however, there will be official photographers who will capture the experience, and you may appear in photos taken by approved members of staff at the venue.



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## Good News!

- Some pupils at Copley Primary School recently took part in a ukulele workshop with Mr Richardson. The children had an amazing time learning new skills and making music together!
- A big well done to our amazing piano students at Barkisland C.E Primary, who performed in an assembly to their classmates and teachers. Performing is such an important part of being a musician, and everyone did brilliantly!  
To finish the assembly, Mr Quarmby treated everyone to a few pieces too, from Beethoven to Bluey!



## A Big "Thank You" To Our Staff

We recently held our Primary Schools Network Meeting at Old Town Primary School. We received wonderful feedback about our staff which makes us extremely proud. A big thank you to all our staff, who make Calderdale Music so special!

*"I have had support from Laura which has helped me change how we provide music in our school."*

*"Our violin teacher Laurie is brilliant with the students, they love their sessions."*

*"The samba drumming workshop with Steve was fantastic! It was very inclusive and the children from our resourced provision particularly developed skills and built on from those covered in lessons."*

*"We love our sessions with the CM teachers. They are very flexible and really engaging. Y2 especially love their piano lessons with Sally."*

*"Our children really enjoy their sessions with Mark and they make fabulous progress."*



## **Updates To Our Speed Admin System**

As part of our commitment to providing pupils, parents, carers and schools, with high-quality music lessons we will shortly be upgrading our current admin system from 'Speed Admin' to 'Speed Admin Play!'

Whilst we are still in the development stage, our staff are working closely with Speed Admin to make the transition to Play! as smooth as possible.

Sadly, student's Study Plan files (audio and video files) will not map across to the new system. If you want to keep these for your own records, **we recommend downloading these by Friday 20th March 2026.**

To do this, please go into your study plans (using your current speed admin log-in) and for each video/audio file there should be a download option.

The new system is due to go live on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Music Students In Y6**

If your child is in Y6 and taking part in 1-1 music lessons with a Calderdale Music teacher, you will have received a Y6 Destination Survey via email from our Admin Officer, Jenny.

Please complete the survey if you can. This will help us advise you on how to continue with lessons at secondary school. If you haven't received an email, please check your junk/spam, or get in touch on [admin@calderdalemusic.co.uk](mailto:admin@calderdalemusic.co.uk)

## **Dates For Your Diaries**

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup> & Tues 17<sup>th</sup> March** – school visits from Emma Johnson Foundation

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March** – Speed Admin Play goes live

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April TBC** – performance at The Piece Hall

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April** – Rotary Club of Halifax School Choir Competition

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – school visits from Billy's Band

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** – Performance with the English Chamber Orchestra

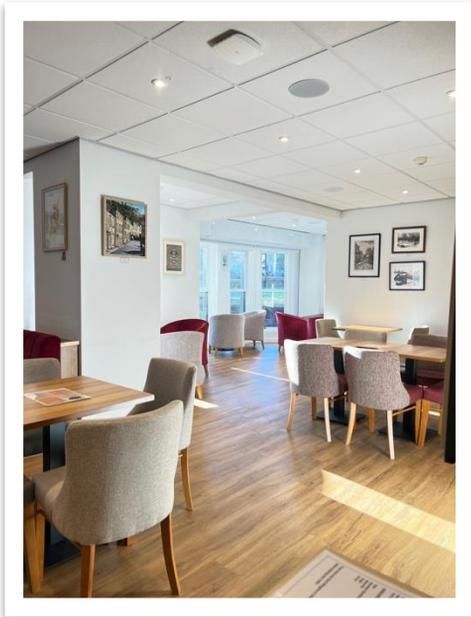
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July** – Performance at Halifax Borough Market





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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](mailto:roomhire@calderdalemusic.co.uk)

### **Rhythm & Brews**

Pop in any time and treat yourself to a hot drink from our Rijo coffee machine. Try a latte, mocha, hot chocolate and more!

Open Monday – Thursday 8:30am – 7pm  
Friday 8:30am – 3pm  
Saturday 9am – 1pm



### **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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