York Music Hub

York's high quality music service, accessible to every school

instilling a lifelong engagement with music, widening participation, developing a thriving, inclusive and diverse musical community



York Music Hub communication to all stakeholders, 25 April 2022

We are delighted to share the following exciting and important news with you. To enhance our response to local need and fulfil our objectives through a more diverse range of creative activities, York Music Hub will be operating both as a commissioning and delivery body with effect from September 2022.

The Hub's priorities through our commissioning and new in-house activities are:

- *Engagement*: To involve more children and young people in making and enjoying music
- *Quality*: To raise standards, improve the quality of music making in the City and maintain a high level of safeguarding
- Performance: To provide more opportunities for performance and reach a wider audience
- Support: To develop a more dynamic package of support for schools and other providers
- Branding: To increase awareness of the Hub and its role in promoting music education
- *Planning*: To gather and use data more effectively to improve needs analysis and planning

It is our intention that we reach out to all schools in York to ensure every child and young person has the opportunity to experience music, be that listening, playing and singing, and we look forward to working more closely with you to ensure the highest quality of tuition is always available.

We are committed to working in close partnership with all our stakeholders. The Hub's Bursary Scheme for individual instrumental/vocal tuition, activities funded via our Commissioning Fund and projects in partnership with an array of arts, community or voluntary organisations within and outside York remain part of our top priorities.

Our new delivery activities include our own in-house Whole Class Ensemble Teaching offer available directly to all schools from September 2022. All participating schools will be supported via our subsidised fees scheme for provision. Full details will be circulated in May 2022. These changes are being planned in collaboration with York Arts Education to ensure continuity for all schools in York.

For any queries, please do contact Vicky Yannoula, Director of York Music Hub, at info@yorkmusichub.org.uk. As mentioned above, we shall be circulating full details about our new in-house Whole Class Ensemble Teaching provision in May 2022.

With our best wishes,

Ann Green CBE (Chair) and Vicky Yannoula (Director)

