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Dear parent/guardian,

We are delighted to get in touch with you as a parent or carer of a child currently in Year 6. SoundStorm, co-lead of the South Coast Music Partnership (Music Hub), is the music service for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, with a core mission of transforming lives through music. We work with all state schools in the conurbation, plus Early Years and many community groups.

Assisting with the transition of young musicians from Primary to Secondary schools

Every year, we are aware that some young musicians are “lost” in the transition from primary to secondary school, and some stop playing altogether. Thus, we are asking for your help if your child is learning an instrument or participating in another musical activity in or out of school. We’re hoping to facilitate the smooth transition of young musicians to secondary school by providing key info about their musical learning to their destination secondary school. We hope this will result in fewer musicians falling through the cracks and provide the new school with the information they need to support their ongoing music education.

What you can do to help

If you have a child learning an instrument in or out of school, or who is involved in other musical activities (eg. a choir, a band, or musical theatre), please fill in the short online form at the bottom of this page, which we will pass to the Head of Music at your child’s new secondary school. If you take part, you’ll also have the option to enter a prize draw for one of 3 £30 vouchers to be used at Absolute Music (absolutemusic.co.uk) and there will be an optional sign-up for a SoundStorm mailing list with which we may send out information about our events and opportunities for young musicians in the area.

We would also like to take this opportunity to make you aware of our Access Fund which supports young musicians in challenging circumstances, such as a family experiencing financial hardship: [Access Fund / Remissions](#)

The deadline for parents/guardians to complete this form is **Monday 29th June 2026**. This is to allow us time to collate the information and share with the relevant Secondary School Heads of Music’s for their planning before the end of term.

If you have any questions about this process or any part of our work, please don’t hesitate to get in contact with us at info@soundstorm-music.org.uk.

[Click here to complete this form](#)

Yours sincerely,
SoundStorm Team

