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Tobin Music Literacy ACCELERATING MUSIC LITERACY News

Drive to train new teachers

Over the last few months there has been a tremendous amount of interest in the Tobin Music System and there is increasing pressure to have more Tobin Teachers and more Teacher Trainers. To meet this demand Candida is stepping up the number of courses available. Over the next six months there will be a series of courses held in Hertfordshire and Staffordshire.

In order to become a Tobin Teacher candidates need to take five modules covering the fundamental music theory subjects of the Tobin Music System. It consists of Five Modules covering 6-7 subjects in each module. Each Module is a two-day course, culminating in exams. Once completed, an Associate Level qualification is awarded.



Teachers wishing to expand their knowledge and abilities further to become teacher trainers can choose two of six specialised modules. Successful candidates on this course earn a Licentiate Level qualification.

These courses offer a complete music teaching system to existing music teachers and a new profession for those looking to retrain. With the numbers of Tobin Teachers increasing and the support network for them growing, this is a marvellous time to become a Tobin Teacher.

The next course will be held on Sunday 10th June at the Old Malthouse, Sawbridgeworth To book your place, please call Candida: 01279 726625

New look for Website

It has been decided that the Tobin Music website is due for an overhaul. There will be a completely new feel to the website and added features, making it more accessible for all the different users. Teachers will have all the resources and support they need in one area. This will include the Forum and the Tobin Community of Teachers Association (TCTA). Children will also have their own area where they can submit their compositions which will be featured in a 'composition of the month' slot.

Overall, the aim is to present all the information relating to the Tobin Music System in an easy to use way.



OUTSTANDING PUPIL

Aphra is 15 years old and has been a student of the Tobin music system since the age of 4 (as have her 3 siblings) and a piano student since the age of 5.

Candida's teaching in musicianship enabled Aphra to extend her playing to the clarinet and bassoon. With these instruments she participates in various county groups such as the Hertfordshire Schools Symphony Orchestra. She is very active at school as a student leader in music.



She has achieved Grade 8 Clarinet (Distinction), Grade 8 Bassoon, Grade 7 Piano, Grade 5 recorder.

PARTNERS

The next partner's meeting will be held at the Old Malthouse in Sawbridgeworth on Sunday 1st July. This will be the last chance for everyone to catch up before the summer holidays!

Please bring a dish. Everyone is welcome.

We would like to thank you all for your continuing interest and support.

Children's funny sayings

Steven had just finished his piano lesson and "mummy" had come to fetch him. He was very excited because he loved composing and he had been learning all about augmented and diminished chords. "Mummy, mummy I have just learnt all about demented chords"

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JUNE	10th 13th 15th 24th	Module 1 & 2 Meeting with Evelyn Glennie Trinity College launch Module 5
JULY	1st 15th	Partners Meeting Module 3

We would love to hear about your news and any outstanding pupils. Please send all contributions, of no more than 200 words, to newsletter@tobinmusic.co.uk