

## CROYDON SCHOOLS' MUSIC ASSOCIATION

# Annual Festival of Music

Fairfield Halls – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2006

### Infant Festival Choir

Conductor: Helen Bretherick  
Piano: David Wilcox  
Woodwind: David Rompani

Bass Guitar: Mike Milstead  
Drum Kit: Paul Dowie  
Trumpet: Mike Brown

**Sing Away**  
**Mary Poppins Medley**

### Croydon Youth Guitar Ensemble

directed by Cornelius Bruinsma

**Riders on the Storm**  
**Greensleeves to a Ground**  
**La Partida**

The Doors  
arranged by Cornelius Bruinsma  
F.M Alvarez, arranged by Jan-Olof Eriksson

The Croydon Youth Guitar Ensemble meets regularly during the term to rehearse and perform repertoire for guitar in ensemble. The group has won the Strover Cup for best guitar group at the Beckenham Music Festival for the third year in a row. We explore music in various styles and this is reflected in the programme this evening.

### St. Andrew's High School Choir

Director of Music: Neill Thacker  
Pianist: Esther Taylor

**California Dreaming**  
**Let It Be**  
**Killing Me Softly**

### Croydon Youth Brass Ensemble

conductor James Warburton

**Ground Force**  
**Soldier, Soldier**  
**Troika**

Jim Parker  
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Serge Prokofiev

The Croydon Youth Brass Ensemble was formed in January 2005 from the brass sections of the Croydon Youth Orchestra and Croydon Youth Sinfonia and gave its first performance in the Fairfield Halls at a Tuesday lunchtime concert in March 2005.

**Speech: Deputy Mayor of Croydon, Councillor Pat Ryan**

## **Infant Festival Choir**

### **Springtime Festivals**

by Sara Ridgley & Gavin Mole  
Arranged by Fred Scott

Songs:

**Chinese New Year**

**Be My Valentine**

**Mardi Gras**

**Pancake Day Capers**

**Caribbean Carnival**

The choir will sing a selection of songs that celebrate the news that spring is here. Enjoy a taste of oriental good cheer at *Chinese New Year*, celebrate 14<sup>th</sup> February with *Be My Valentine*, then 'whoop' it up with the jazzers at *Mardi Gras*. Return to traditional England for Shrove Tuesday with *Pancake Day Capers* then take off to the sun for a *Caribbean Carnival*. (Programme notes by S Ridgley & G Mole)

Look out for dancers, musicians and poets from Gilbert Scott Infant, Parish Church Infant, Park Hill Infant, Selsdon Primary, St James the Great RC Primary and Woodside Infant schools.

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Helen Bretherick is Croydon's Primary Music Consultant  
Festival Organiser: David Wilcox, Head Teacher at The Hayes Primary School  
Compère: Michael Brockett, Head Teacher at Downsview Primary School

The association is greatly indebted to its committee and to all the head teachers and teachers in the schools who give so generously of their own time to enable this event to take place. The association has a long history of around seventy years in the authority of providing musical opportunities for children. The association also organises two orchestral concerts a year for children to listen to live music in the Fairfield Hall. We are very grateful to Croydon Council for the financial support that it gives in order to help fund our activities. As a registered charity, we are always looking for sponsors. If you would like more information about how you could help financially, then please contact David Wilcox on 020 8660 4863.

### **Schools taking part in the Infant Festival Choir**

Ashburton Infant

Atwood Primary

Beulah Infant

Broadmead Infant

Coulsdon C.E.Primary

Fairchildes Primary

Gilbert Scot Infant

Margaret Roper Primary

Parish Church Infant

Park Hill Infant

Ridgeway Primary

Roke Primary

Selsdon Primary

St. James the Great Primary

St. Mary's Infant

The Hayes Primary School

West Thornton Primary

Woodside Infant

CDs of tonight's performance will be available via schools at £8 each

Please do not use flash photography as this distracts the children while they are performing