

Do you like to write your own songs?

The John of Gaunt School are looking for three students to write a song to enter in to a Wiltshire Music song writing competition. Could this be you!?

Write a School Song competition

Win £1,000 for your school

Wiltshire Music Connect is inviting Wiltshire secondary school students to write a new song for their school. The songs will be judged by an expert panel, and the prize for the winning song is £1,000 to spend on further development of singing in your school. The finalists will be featured on the radio on BBC Wiltshire



What the judges will be looking for

Lyrics - what do your lyrics say?

- how will you gather ideas about what your school song should say – from students and staff?
- think about how the lyrics might celebrate being a young person, learning, growing, achieving – personally and socially as well as sporting, creative and academic achievements
- think about how the lyrics might be uplifting
- think about where your school is, where you live, your community – maybe there's something about the history or location of your school that is significant...

Music - school song should be one that everyone can join in with – either all the way through or for choruses/sections of the song.

- does it have the right range for your voices?
- is it easy for others at your school to learn, remember and join in?

Style and genre - you can write the song in any style or genre – from beatboxing to folk to classic anthem. You could use a band or group, a piano or guitar accompaniment, or write an acapella song. You may want to include actions, clapping, or body percussion. Make sure it's not too long, not too short. (Maximum length 4 minutes)

And finally...give your song a title that's meaningful and/or catchy!

School Deadline: Friday 11th May – Entries will be listened to and a team of staff and students will select their three entries

Entries announced: Monday 21st May

Competition Entry Deadline: Friday 25th May – Mrs Maguire will send these off

**Any student can enter (you don't have to be taking GCSE or A Level Music)
For more information speak with Mrs Maguire**

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