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## Musical Connections Newsletter

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# 500 Miles?! Let's Make It 3,000!



It's been all about The Proclaimers in our sessions recently, as we challenged our musicians and members to see if they could collectively walk 500 miles, then 500 more, throughout March, whilst also learning the song, I Wanna Be (500 Miles), for a community fundraiser. Walking is something that a lot of our members enjoy, and given our focus on living healthier lives, we thought it'd be the perfect opportunity for them to join together in song, step count and fundraising. Members, musicians, members' friends (and dogs) all got

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managed to finish the month on a staggering 3,008 miles with over £1,330 raised! A huge thank you to Laura Castle (YorkMix radio presenter and MC ambassador) for revealing the final totals at our Big Sing and to everyone that contributed to it too – an incredible effort from all of the Musical Connections family (which reaches as far as State College out in central Pennsylvania)!



Watch our groups in action - both singing and walking for '500 Miles'!

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***"It is a good heart who acknowledges intergenerational friendships. Both young and old have lessons for the other"***

Jeffrey DeMann

Intergenerational events are such a huge aspect of our project: a wonderful opportunity for our members to chat with, perform and sing with, the younger generation, and so we were delighted to be able to finally reunite with St Aelred's Primary School children for our first post-pandemic Little Sing at the beginning of April. It was a fantastic afternoon full of performances from group members and children alike and everyone definitely enjoyed being together again - what a swing the music brings! A very special mention to St Aelred's for being such wonderful hosts - we're looking forward to the next one already.

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And a little snippet from our choir...Hey, Mr Miller,  
what a swing that you bring to the band!

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## It's Not Just Little Sings - We've Had a Big Sing Too!

It's been a long couple of years without any of our usual events, concerts, and intergenerational parties taking place, and so we were overjoyed to finally be able to bring members from all of our groups together with some of the children from Scarcroft Primary School for a 'Spring Big Sing'. With Scarcroft and each of the groups doing their own performance, it was a lovely opportunity for everyone to showcase the songs they'd been working on during sessions – Les Misérables, John Rutter, and even a bit of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons – a very eclectic programme! The afternoon was full of singing, smiles and exciting surprises as musicians, Abby and Charlotte, performed an unexpected Disney duet, our recently named MC band, *Charlie's Angels* (featuring members, Stan and David, and musicians, Danny and Charlotte), made their official debut, and Laura came down to reveal our big 500 Miles total. A huge thank you to Scarcroft for joining us and to all of our members – it was the perfect celebration!

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## Egg'cellent fun at Clifton Day Nursery

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After a wonderful session a couple of months ago, our Tower Court group thoroughly enjoyed revisiting the children from Clifton Day Nursery for an afternoon of Easter-themed excitement. Dressed in Easter bonnets kindly made by TC's very own Linda, the children sang lots of Easter songs whilst our members helped them in some very competitive egg and spoon races and a game of 'Hunt the Egg'. Watching everyone laughing together, both young, and older, was a brilliant reminder that age really is just a number, and you're never too old for doing an Easter egg hunt! As Janine, the manager at CDN said, 'It was a pleasure for us, a treat for the children. I know the children enjoyed it equally as much as the choir' – here's to planning the next one very soon!

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Save the date: Tuesday 17th May

We're excited to announce that we've been given the go-ahead from Make It York to organise a busking event with MC's new house band, Charlie's Angels, on **Tuesday 17th May in Kings Square between 1pm and 5pm**. All of our groups are welcome to sing and it would be great to have some support from the general public too, so please join us there if you can!

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