



LICHFIELD
CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

Performing Arts

Programme 2024-2025



EVENT CALENDAR 2024-2025

Events in red are open to members of the public

- SEPT** 21 **Dean's Installation**, 2.30pm Lichfield Cathedral: whole School
26 **Memory Café**, 11am Lichfield Methodist Church: School soloist
30 **Harvest Eucharist**, 8.45am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 7-13
- OCT** 02 **Poetry by Heart Celebration**, 10.30am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 5, 6 & 9
03 **Harvest Festival**, 10am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 1-6
03 **Year 7 Concert**, 7pm Minster Hall
14-16 **Back to the 80s!**, 7.30pm Rose Theatre, Rugelely: Years 3-13
18 **Performing Arts Centre Official Opening**, 1pm Minster Hall
- NOV** 11 **Remembrance Service**, 10.45am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 5-13
20 **Winter Wonderland** concert, 7pm Lichfield Cathedral: Orchestra & Ensembles
30 **Advent Carol Service 1**, 6pm Lichfield Cathedral: Choristers & Choral Scholars
- DEC** 01 **Advent Carol Service 2**, 6pm Lichfield Cathedral: Choristers & Choral Scholars
03 **Reception Class Nativity**, 10am St James The Great Church, Longdon
07 **Palace Singers Concert**, 7.30pm St Chad's Church: School soloists
11 **Junior Carol Service**, 11am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 1-6
11 **Senior Carol Service**, 6.30pm Lichfield Cathedral: Years 7-13
12 **Carol Singing at Wedgwood**, 10am Wedgwood Factory: Senior Choristers
16 **Christmas Concert with Thomas Trotter**, 1pm Birmingham Town Hall: Choristers & Scholars
19 **Lichfield Cathedral Choir: Christmas by Candlelight**, 7.30pm Lichfield Cathedral
23 & 24 **Festival of Lessons & Carols**, 6pm Lichfield Cathedral: Choristers & Choral Scholars
25 **Christmas Day Eucharist**, 10.30am Lichfield Cathedral: Choristers & Choral Scholars
- JAN** 18 **Be A Chorister For A Day** workshop for 6-10 year olds, 9am-4pm Lichfield Cathedral
24 **Burns' Night Celebration**, 7pm The Palace: Sixth Form
27 **Foundation Day Service**, 8.45am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 5-13 & Alumni
28 **Rewind Concert**, 7.30pm Lichfield Cathedral: Years 5-13
- FEB** 11-13 **Semele** by George Frideric Handel, 7.30pm St Chad's Church: Cantorum & Soloists
- MAR** 01 **Concerto Concert**, 7pm Minster Hall: School soloists
03 **St Chad's Procession**, 8.45am Lichfield Cathedral to St Chad's Well
05 **Rotary Schools Concert**, 7pm Garrick Theatre Lichfield: Years 5-13
13 **GCSE & A Level Performance Recital**, 7pm Minster Hall: Years 10-13
15 **Lichfield Cathedral School's Got Talent**, 2pm Minster Hall: Years 1-13
19 **Ignite Festival**, 9am Garrick Theatre Lichfield: Years 7-12 Drama Scholars & Ambassadors
22 **Cathedral Choir Concert**, 12pm Victoria Hall, Hanley
29 **Cathedral Choir Concert**, 7.30pm Holy Trinity Church, Sutton Coldfield
- APR** 21 **Former Choristers' Evensong**, 5.30pm Lichfield Cathedral
- MAY** 22 **Year 8 Concert**, 7pm Minster Hall
- JUN** 28 **School Speech Day & Prize-Giving**, 9.45am Lichfield Cathedral: Years 5-13
- JUL** 11 **House Music Competition**, 2pm The Palace: Years 5-13



EVENTS with CANTORUM

Mon 7 Oct	Compline	6.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Mon 2 Dec	Wait's Carol Service	6.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Mon 16 Dec	Charity Carol Concert	7.00pm	Quill & Scholar, Lichfield
Mon 3 Feb	Compline	6.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Tues 11 to Thur 13 Feb	Handel's Semele	7.30pm	St Chad's Church, Lichfield
Sat 1 Mar	Concerto Concert	7.00pm	Minster Hall
Mon 31 Mar	Compline	6.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Mon 19 May	Compline	6.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Mon 7 July	Evensong	5.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral



LUNCHTIME RECITAL SERIES FOR ENSEMBLES & SOLOISTS

Wednesdays @1.15pm IN THE Chapel

2024

September: 11, 18, 25
October: 2, 9, 16
November: 6, 13, 27
December: 4

2025

January: 8, 15, 22, 29
February: 5, 12, 26
March: 5, 12, 19, 26
May: 7, 14, 21
June: 4, 11, 18, 25



LICHFIELD
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presents

Winter WONDERLAND

Fantastic family concert
featuring festive favourites!

Wednesday
20 November

7pm - 8.15pm
Lichfield Cathedral

Orchestra, Choirs,
Ensembles & Theatrical
Performance

TICKETS £10 adults, £7 children
www.trybooking.com/uk/70572



Drama is about creating a learning environment where pupils can explore the world and their relationship to it, develop their self-awareness and understand others through fictional contexts. Pupils are encouraged to develop on social, moral, linguistic and creative levels.

Drama gives children opportunities to discuss and deal with difficult issues and express their emotions in a supportive environment. It enables them to explore their own cultural values and those of others, past and present. It encourages them to think and act creatively, thus developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills that can be applied in all areas of learning.

Through drama, children are encouraged to take responsible roles and make choices - to participate in and guide their own learning. Teachers can take a more open-ended approach, concentrating on the process of learning at least as much as, if not more than, the product.

The majority of this work is carried out in lessons where drama is used as a learning medium and the work is part of an ongoing experience, not intended for public display. Some of the work involves developing stagecraft skills so that dramatic productions can be polished, rehearsed and presented to a larger formal audience using school facilities and professional venues.

Recent productions have included *You, Me & Yesterday* (world premiere), *Peter Pan*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Grease*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *We Will Rock You*, *Blood Brothers*, *Oliver!*, *The Winter's Tale*, *Julius Caesar*, *Macbeth*, *Dido & Aeneas*, *La Belle Hélène*, *Orpheus in the Underworld*, *The Sound of Music*, *Aladdin*, *School of Rock*, *Matilda*, *Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* and *Back to the 80s*.

Drama is part of the curriculum from Nursery to Year 9 and students can choose to study GCSE Drama and A Level Drama & Theatre.



LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

PRESENTS

BACK TO THE

80s!



A Musical by Neil Gooding
Additional Material by Stuart Smith
Revised Orchestrations and arrangements by Brett Foster
Original Musical Adaptation by Scott Copeman

14-16 OCTOBER 2024

7.30pm, Rose Theatre, Rugeley WS15 2AA

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with
MusicalTheatre International
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk



YEAR 5 & 6 CONCERT

Includes:
'Somewhere in my memory'
from Home Alone by John Williams

7PM - THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2024

Minster Hall, Lichfield WS13 6AE

Tickets £5 for adults, under 18s free
www.trybooking.com/uk/70540

“I think music in itself is healing. It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music.”

Billy Joel





CHORISTERS & CHORAL SCHOLARS

Monday 6.30pm Soprano Choral Scholars sing Compline

Tuesday 5.30pm Evensong – Boy Choristers & ATB

Wednesday 5.30pm Evensong – Girl Choristers & ATB

Thursday 5.30pm Evensong – Seniors & Soprano Choral Scholars

Friday 5.30pm Evensong – alternate weeks Boys/Girls

Sunday 10.30am Eucharist – alternate weeks Girls/Boys

Sunday 3.30pm Evensong – alternate weeks Girls/Boys

If you are interested in information regarding becoming a chorister please contact admissions@lichfieldcathedralschool.com or 01543 306168



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Check the Cathedral website
for changes to regular services
www.lichfield-cathedral.org



“... the single greatest leg-up a child can be given in life.”

Alexander Armstrong
Comedian, actor, TV presenter,
singer and former chorister



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Foundation DAY

1942-2025

Monday 27 January
The Palace, The Close, Lichfield
8.45am SERVICE IN LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL

BE A CHORISTER FOR a Day!

Free CHORAL SINGING WORKSHOP
for ages 6 TO 10

Saturday 18 January

9am to 4pm Lichfield Cathedral

- ✓ Sing in Lichfield Cathedral with the Cathedral Choir
- ✓ Learn new songs and make new friends
- ✓ See what an audition looks like
- ✓ Craft & sport activities
- ✓ Lunch & refreshments included

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

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GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

SEMELE

Featuring
Sophie Oakley as Semele
Charlie Ward as Jupiter
William Eardley-Taylor as Athamus

Tues 11 to Thurs 13
February 2025

7.30pm
St Chad's Church
Lichfield WS13 7ND

Tickets:
£15 Adults, £10 Children

www.trybooking.com/uk/71356





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PRESENTS A

CONCERTO CONCERT

SATURDAY 1 MARCH 2025

7.30pm MINSTER HALL

DAM STREET, LICHFIELD WS13 7AE

Featuring:

Trumpet Concerto in Eb - Joseph Haydn
Solemn Vespers, K.339 - Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Tickets £10 adults, £5 under 18s
www.trybooking.com/uk/70652



Drama Awards

POETRY BY HEART

Year 9 Drama students won a **Special Award** at the national **Poetry by Heart** competition in 2023 for their performance of *Mother it's Already Winter* in Ukranian and British Sign language. Their performance at London's Globe Theatre was a great hit with the professional poet judges.



In addition, the group won the **Stephen Spender Trust Special Commendation Award for Translation**, for their work in translating the poem's original Ukrainian text into British Sign Language (awarded online).



National Drama Competition Winners

- 2023: Best Senior Drama
- 2023: Best Individual Senior Performance
- 2024: Best Senior School Production
- 2024: Senior Individual Performer (Honourable Mention)

2023



Performing at the Bridge House Theatre for a large audience and competition judge David Farmer, the group was praised for "ambitiously (and very successfully) present(ing) this extract of a powerful play about bullying and its repercussions."

2024



There are 170 pupils in the School from Years 2 to 13 who have LAMDA lessons. During the 2023-2024 academic year, nearly 100 examinations took place at both campuses with some students taking 2 or 3 exams. Every result across the whole school was either a Merit (29% of grades) or a Distinction (71% of grades), which is an outstanding achievement!



Every pupil from the Junior campus who took an exam achieved a Distinction.

A significant number of senior students excelled in Acting and Public Speaking Gold Medal grades, with 73% achieving a Distinction. This accomplishment awards students 30 UCAS points each.

Standout successes include Zephan R (Year 11) and Bailey H (Year 12) whose achievements in Gold Medal Acting and Gold Medal Public Speaking earned them both Distinctions and 60 UCAS points they can use when applying for higher education courses at university.

Previous Productions



Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat



Matilda



The Sound of Music



Dido and Aeneas



Peter Pan



Aladdin



The Wizard of Oz



School of Rock



Orpheus in the Underworld



We Will Rock You



Oliver!




Drama plays a significant part of life at LCS both in class and through co-curricular provision.

Earlier this year, the Drama Scholars and Ambassadors from Years 7-11 performed the Laura Lomas play *Chaos* as part of the Ignite Festival at the Lichfield Garrick Theatre.

We are delighted to have been invited to take part in the 2025 festival. Tickets will be on sale through the Garrick in early 2025.





"We must all do theatre,
to find out who we are,
and to discover who
we could become."

Augusto Boal,
Brazilian theatre practitioner

MusicShare is a 20-year old, award-winning, School Singing Programme that works with local primary, secondary and special schools to encourage children to sing. MusicShare is a partnership between Lichfield Cathedral School, Lichfield Cathedral and The Music Partnership.

We also run 6 groups/choirs:

Mini Voices (0-5 year olds and carers)

- Mondays in term-time, 9.30am-10.30am in the Beacon Park Explorer Hut, Shaw Lane

Toddler Rhyme Time (0-5 year olds and carers)

- Tuesday in term-time, 9.30am-10.30am at the LCS Junior School at Longdon

Young Voices (6-11 years)

- Mondays in term-time, 4.30pm-5.30pm in the Explorer Hut, Shaw Lane

Youth Voices (12-18 years)

- Saturdays in term-time, 10.30am-11.30am in the School Chapel

Ladies who Lark (18+)

- Mondays in term-time, 11.30am-12.30pm in the Explorer Hut, Shaw Lane

Ukrainian Voices

- Sundays in term-time, 5pm-6pm in the School Chapel

MusicShare Events 2024-2025

Mon 14 Oct	7.00pm	Tewkesbury Abbey
Tue 12 Nov	7.00pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Wed 13 Nov	7.00pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Thur 21 Nov	7.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral (Entrust Christmas Concert)
Fri 22 Nov	7.30pm	Lichfield Cathedral (Entrust Christmas Concert)
Fri 2 Dec	1.30pm	Big Virtual Christmas Sing with The Music Partnership
Tue 18 Mar	7.00pm	Lichfield Cathedral (SEND schools)
Thur 20 Mar	7.00pm	Lichfield Cathedral (Secondary Schools)
Wed 26 Mar	6.00pm	Charlton School, Telford (Telford Sings)
Thur 27 Mar	6.00pm	Charlton School, Telford (Telford Sings)
Fri 28 Mar	6.00pm	Charlton School, Telford (Telford Sings)
Mon 16 June	All day	Birmingham Symphony Hall with The Music Partnership
Tue 24 June	7.00pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Wed 25 June	7.00pm	Lichfield Cathedral
Thur 17 July	1.30pm	Big Virtual Summer Sing with The Music Partnership



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the same age as you?

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ages 0 to 5

Young Voices
ages 6 to 11

Youth Voices
ages 12 to 18

Mondays • 9.30am-10.30am
Explorer Hut, Beacon Park, Lichfield

Mondays • 4.30pm-5.30pm
Explorer Hut, Beacon Park, Lichfield

Saturdays • 10.30am-12 noon
The Palace, The Close, Lichfield

For more details contact Cathy on
musicsharechoirs@lichfieldcathedralschool.com

Music Technology

Developing practical skills using state-of-the-art equipment and software

Studying Music Technology at LCS offers students the exciting opportunity to develop their musical expertise through a computer-based practical subject.

Students develop their musical knowledge, understanding and skills using digital music applications, particularly Logic Pro X and Cubase Artist 12. Students learn to make close mic recordings and compose using technology, as well as developing listening, analysing and producing skills.

Students are encouraged to engage with a wide range of music technology techniques and develop an understanding of the historical and cultural contexts of the use of music technology in the creation and production of music.

We offer practical qualifications in Years 10-11 and Sixth Form and co-curricular clubs, giving students the opportunity to develop their personal potential and acquire a wide range of applied skills which will support further study or entry into employment in relevant industries.

Students learn to:

- understand the principles of sound and audio technology and how they are used in creative and professional practice;

- develop recording skills, including how to manipulate sound in imaginative and creative ways;
- make links between the integrated activities of recording, processing, mixing, sound creation and creative music technology applications, underpinned by analytical listening;
- understand the history and traditions of the sonic and musical applications of technology and how they promote personal, social, intellectual and cultural development.

From Sixth Form, students progress to studying music technology at degree level, opening up careers such as professional music technician, TV and radio engineering, journalism, arts administration, teaching, promotion and marketing.

Alongside the academic programme, students benefit from insights from industry professionals and former LCS students who are currently studying undergraduate courses in music technology, sound engineering and music production, and those now employed within the music industry.





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GCSE & A Level

PERFORMANCE
RECITAL

THURSDAY

13 MARCH 2025

7pm, Minster Hall

Dam Street, Lichfield WS13 6AE

Free tickets from

www.trybooking.com/uk/71359





Former Choristers' Evensong

Monday 21 April 2025

*Former Choristers and Choral Scholars of
Lichfield Cathedral Choir are warmly invited
to sing Evensong*



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GOT TALENT

SATURDAY 15 MARCH

2PM MINSTER HALL

Join us and be dazzled by the diverse range of performers!
From dance to music, comedy and more, this talent show
promises something amazing for everyone!

TICKETS: www.trybooking.com/uk/71232



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School ensemble rehearsal schedule

Day	Ensemble	Venue	Facilitator
Monday	Harmonics	<u>Dimble House</u>	Mrs Cochrane
Monday	Young Singing Leaders	<u>Dimble House</u>	Mrs Lamb
Monday	Cantorum	School Chapel	Mr Lamb / Mr Neville
Tuesday	<u>Drumstix</u>	<u>Dimble House</u>	Mr Firkins
Tuesday	Longdon Orchestra	Longdon School Hall	Mr Moss/ Miss E Hodgkiss / Mrs Paterson
Wednesday	Pizzicato Strings	Great Hall	Mrs Paterson
Wednesday	<u>Flutastic</u>	<u>Dimble House</u>	Miss Green
Wednesday	Soul Knights	Minster Hall	Mr Smith / Mr Cadman
Thursday	Longdon Choir (Years 3-4)	Longdon School Hall	Mrs Lamb/ Miss E Hodgkiss / Mrs England
Thursday	Pop Choir	School Chapel	Miss Hodgkiss
Thursday	<u>Cambiata</u>	<u>Dimble House</u>	Mrs Cochrane
Friday	<u>Brasshoppers</u>	<u>Dimble House</u>	Mr Moss
Friday	Orchestra	Minster Hall	Mr Moss / Mrs Ashton / Mrs Lamb

Students wishing to join an ensemble should contact music@lichfieldcathedralschool.com



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MUSIC Lessons

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TOP 10% NATIONALLY

Our value-added scores place LCS Sixth Form in the top 10% of A Level performance in the country

33% A* & A GRADES

33% of all grades were A* or A a significant achievement for a non-selective school

46% 3 x A*-B

46% of students achieved at least 3 grades that were A* A or B

100% SUCCESS

All students moving into higher education secured a place on the course of their choice, including Medicine, Law, Aerospace Engineering, Neuroscience, Economics, Sound Engineering, Music, Journalism, Linguistics, Psychology, International Relations and Veterinary Medicine

40% RUSSELL GROUP

Destinations included Universities of Birmingham, Exeter, Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester, Nottingham and York, plus Cardiff and Durham Universities

ESSENTIAL SIXTH FORM 2024 DATA

As a non-selective school, we cater for a wide range of academic abilities, from those who are gifted to students with learning challenges. We work with each student individually to ensure they reach their maximum potential and help them to progress to the next stage in their life, whether in higher education at university, into an apprenticeship or into employment. And we are delighted to say that every student who wanted to continue studying was offered a place on the course of their choice.

Exam results are only part of the equation – universities and employers are looking for more than A Level grades, and LCS students have what they want - interpersonal skills such as excellent communication, teamwork and leadership, combined with a good attitude towards working hard and being self-disciplined. Our students gain these skills and abilities through the many opportunities they are offered within School and activities they undertake inside and beyond the classroom from Nursery all the way through to Year 13.



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