

Dear Members and Parents

**INTERMEDIATE ORCHESTRA RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND**

This year's residential weekend will be at Harlaxton Manor near Grantham from Friday 22 to Sunday 24 June. Members will need to be delivered to Harlaxton early on Friday evening and collected from there on Sunday after lunch. I hope that it may be possible for members to share lifts.

Those of you who have been before will know that Harlaxton Manor is an amazing stately home close to the A1 slightly south-west of Grantham. You might like to look at their website at [www.ueharlax.ac.uk](http://www.ueharlax.ac.uk). The estate is used as the British Campus of the University of Evansville and is very well equipped for a residential weekend. Accommodation is in the Carriage House in shared rooms (mainly for two, but in some cases for three or four).

Please note that the rehearsals during this weekend will form a key part of preparation for the concert on 8 July, and that all players are expected to attend unless there are pressing reasons not to do so.

The cost for the weekend is £110 including accommodation and meals. Unlike in previous years we did not request a deposit with the annual subscription therefore the full amount of £110 is due. If you have a problem paying this now, then please get in touch with me and we will make special arrangements.

Parents are asked to transport members to Harlaxton on the Friday to arrive between 6.30pm and 7:00pm. A full meal will not be provided on the Friday night, but a sandwich buffet will be served at 9 pm. Members must be collected on the Sunday afternoon – the exact time will be confirmed nearer the date but is likely to be between 1:15 and 1:30 pm.

Facilities available at Harlaxton include a sports hall with badminton, volleyball and table tennis, an outdoor football pitch, croquet and snooker. Hopefully we will play our traditional game of rounders during the weekend. For those who do not enjoy sports other activities will be planned for the Saturday evening or time can be spent in the television lounge or in the grounds.

The next step is for you to complete the attached form and return it to me by Thursday 15 March. If you have any queries, please e-mail me on [Jane.harwood@ntlworld.com](mailto:Jane.harwood@ntlworld.com) or call me on 0115 847 9514/07799 337694. Full details of the programme and a map of how to reach Harlaxton Manor will be forwarded nearer the time.

Best wishes

Jane Harwood



**Intermediate Orchestra Residential Weekend 22 – 24 June 2012**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**will/will not** be able to attend the residential weekend (Please delete as appropriate)

**Special dietary requirements:**

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**Allergies/medical conditions:**

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Please state who you would like to share a room with (we need groups of 2 or 4 – please get together to work this out):

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(I cannot guarantee being able to satisfy all requests, but will do my best.)

**Transport needed to Harlaxton?:** YES/NO **Transport needed from Harlaxton?:** YES/NO

**Can you offer transport to Harlaxton?:** YES/NO **Number of spaces:** \_\_\_

**Can you offer transport from Harlaxton?:** YES/NO **Number of spaces:** \_\_\_

If you are offering transport please give a contact number that I can pass on to others who need a lift so that they can contact you direct: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of parent/guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COST: £110**

**Please enclose a cheque for the above amount made payable to Nottingham Youth Orchestra. If you wish to make an arrangement to pay in instalments please let me know.**

**Return to:** Jane Harwood, 12 Zulla Road, Mapperley Park, Nottingham, NG3 5DB by Thursday 15 March at the latest.

Please return this form even if you have already told me that you will not be attending. If you have any other comments please write them on the back of this form.