

**Wednesday 18 January****EVENING OF MUSIC***Scholars' Concert***The Auditorium, 7pm**

An evening of real quality with a chance to hear solo performances by holders of the Ferguson and Bruce Music Awards, featuring pieces on cello, piano, violin, viola, bagpipes, trumpet, recorder and flute.

**Friday 3 February****LUNCHTIME CONCERT****The Auditorium, 12.45pm**

A relaxing end to the week with performances by Senior School pupils.

**Wednesday 22 February****P7 EVENING OF MUSIC****The Auditorium, 7pm**

A chance to hear solo and group performances from musicians in their final year of the Junior School.

**Friday 24 February****LUNCHTIME CONCERT****The Auditorium, 12.45pm**

Once again the Senior School instrumentalists and singers provide a lunchtime concert to end the week.

**Wednesday 29 February****EVENING OF MUSIC***Debussy 150th Anniversary Concert***The Auditorium, 7pm**

To mark the 150th anniversary of Debussy's birth, this concert will focus on the music of Debussy and his French contemporaries, Satie, Ravel, Fauré and Poulenc.

**Wednesday 14 March****THE SPRING CONCERT****Assembly Hall, 7pm Tickets FREE**

An entertaining evening of music featuring our Concert Band, Philharmonia, Chamber Choir and Brass Band. Music to be performed will include Bach's Cantata *Wachet Auf*.

**Tuesday 20 March****JUNIOR SCHOOL SPRING CONCERT****Assembly Hall, 7pm**

A varied and entertaining selection of music performed by choirs, ensembles and orchestras from the Junior School.

**Thursday 22 March****A CELEBRATION OF GEORGE WATSON'S COLLEGE MUSIC****The Usher Hall, 7.30pm**

Tickets (£12 and £10 for adults, free for children will be available from GWC Reception from 16 January 2012)

This concert, the first by Watson's pupils in the Usher Hall for very many years, will include Shostakovitch's *Piano Concerto no.2* and John Rutter's *Mass of the Children*, and will include a massed choir of over 300 of our Junior and Senior School pupils singing alongside parents, staff and friends.

**Tuesday 24 April****A-LEVEL COMPOSITIONS CONCERT****The Assembly Hall and Front Foyer, 7pm**

A concert in which our AS and A-Level music pupils present live performances of the compositions they have written for their exams. Come and hear the composers of tomorrow performing their own music today.

**Thursday 26 April****FINALS OF THE SINGING COMPETITION****The Auditorium, 7pm**

Our finest Senior School singers, boys and girls, compete for the singing prizes in front of a visiting adjudicator.

**Tuesday 1 May****ROBIN ADAIR YOUNG MUSICIANS' CONCERT****The Auditorium, 7pm**

A concert to showcase the talents of some of the School's finest musicians, playing solo and chamber music repertoire.

**Thursday 3 May****P3 AFTERNOON OF MUSIC****The Auditorium, 1.45pm**

The first chance to hear the musicians of the future, this concert includes solo and group items by our P3 pupils.

**Friday 4 May****LUNCHTIME CONCERT****The Auditorium, 12.45pm**

A lunchtime concert featuring a variety of musical styles performed by Senior School musicians.

**Wednesday 9 May****THE LEAVERS' CONCERT****The Auditorium, 7pm**

A final chance to hear performances by our talented pupils in S6 before they leave Watson's.

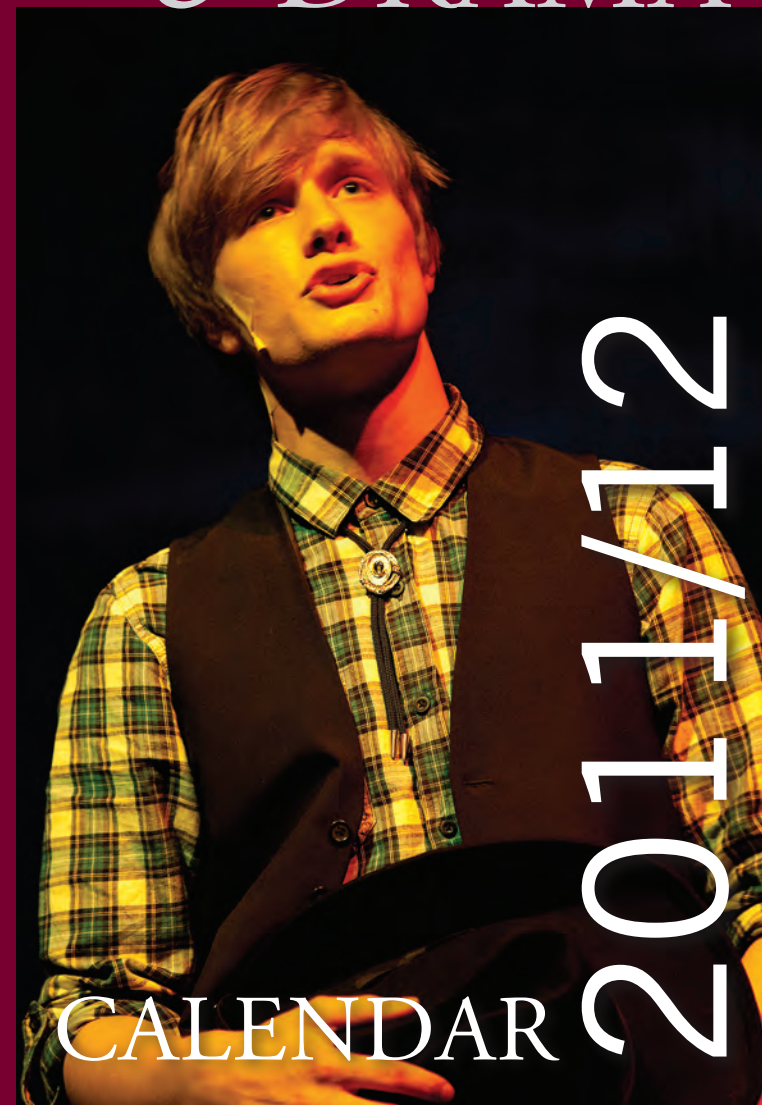
**Tuesday 22 May****P7 MUSICAL****Upper Primary Hall, 1.30pm****Wednesday 23 May – Thursday 24 May****P7 MUSICAL****Upper Primary Hall, 7pm****Tuesday 19 June – Friday 22 June****SENIOR SUMMER PRODUCTION**

(Director: Mr Craig Serrels, Musical Director: Mr David Elliott)

**Assembly Hall, 7pm Tickets £10/£8****Tuesday 19 June – Wednesday 20 June****P4/P5 AFTERNOON CONCERTS****The Auditorium, 1.30pm****Thursday 21 June – Friday 22 June****P6 AFTERNOON CONCERTS****The Auditorium, 1.30pm**

**GEORGE  
WATSON'S**  
— COLLEGE —

# MUSIC & DRAMA



# CALENDAR 2011/12

**Tuesday 27 September – Thursday 29 September**

**S6 DRAMA**

**Julius Caesar**

(Director: Mr Alfonso Iannone)

**The Auditorium, 7.30pm Tickets £10/£6**

This year the S6 Production sees a return to the works of William Shakespeare with a performance of one of his most famous tragedies – *Julius Caesar*. The play recounts one of the most pivotal periods in Roman history; the infamous plot against the tragic eponymous character, led by his noble and trusted friend – Marcus Brutus. The culmination of this conspiracy and its aftermath shaped the course of human history for centuries, forging one of the most powerful empires the world has ever known.

**Friday 30 September**

**LUNCHTIME CONCERT**

**The Auditorium, 12.45pm**

A relaxing end to the week with performers from the Senior School.

**October**

**ADVANCED HIGHER DRAMA**

**Devised Drama Presentations**

AH Drama students present their theatre interpretations of a selection of examination stimuli. See what the actors, directors and designers of the future bring to the stage during this intimate performance. Contact drama@gwc.org.uk for further details.

**October**

**HIGHER DRAMA**

**Investigative Drama Presentations**

This is a perfect opportunity to see the Higher Drama students' investigative work on stage. A blend of Drama and the spoken word written, directed and performed by our S5/S6 Drama students. Contact drama@gwc.org.uk for further details.

**Wednesday 12 October**

**EVENING OF MUSIC**

**These We Have Loved**

**The Auditorium, 7pm**

Following the success of this theme last October we have decided to repeat the idea this year. The concert will feature a wide variety of music – the only requirement is that the pupil enjoys playing it! Ex Corde Choir will be singing *It Don't Mean a Thing if it Aint Got That Swing* and *Straighten Up and Fly Right!*

**Wednesday 2 November**

**ORCHESTRA & BAND CONCERT**

**Assembly Hall, 7pm Tickets FREE**

This year's first big Assembly Hall concert will include over 250 instrumentalists in the Symphony Orchestra, Philharmonia, Concert Band, Caritas Strings and Pipes and Drums. Repertoire will include Beethoven's *Romance in F major* for violin and orchestra, *Nelson Mandela's Welcome to the City of Glasgow* by Blair Douglas, and Tchaikovsky's famous *1812 Overture* with cannon and mortar effects!

**Tuesday 8 November**

**EVENING OF MUSIC**

**An Evening of Chamber Music**

**The Auditorium, 7pm**

This concert will include performances by some of our smaller ensembles – chamber music for string quartets, piano trio, woodwind and brass groups.

**Wednesday 23 – Friday 25 November**

**S3 PRODUCTION**

**The Little Shop of Horrors**

(Director: Mr Hugh Paterson, Musical Director: Mr Steven Griffin)

**Assembly Hall, 7pm Tickets £10/£8**

Life is tough on Skid Row and no-one has it tougher than trainee florist Seymour Krelborn. His life turns round when he is given a strange and interesting plant. He finds fame, fortune and the girl of his dreams but what should he feed the plant? *Little Shop of Horrors* is a comedy musical with real bite!

**Friday 25 November**

**LUNCHTIME CONCERT**

**The Auditorium, 12.45pm**

One last opportunity in the Autumn Term to end the week with musical performances by some of our Senior School musicians.

**Sunday 11 December**

**HARPS OF GOLD**

**Queen's Hall, 2.30pm**

**Tickets available from the Queen's Hall Box Office**

A family concert of Christmas music old and new featuring Na Clarsirean, Edinburgh's Harp Orchestra, and the Caritas Choir from George Watson's College.

**Tuesday 13 December**

**JUNIOR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**Assembly Hall, 7pm**

An amazing evening of Christmas music with the choirs and orchestras from the Upper Primary – literally hundreds of performers. Come and hear the string group, recorders, chamber orchestra and all the choirs, and join in the now traditional singing of *The Holly and the Ivy* and other Christmas favourites.

**Wednesday 14 December**

**SPIFOX CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**St Cuthbert's Church, Lothian Road, 11am**

*SPIFOX* (The Scottish Property Industry Festival of Christmas) was formed more than 25 years ago to raise money for children's charities based in Scotland. This year members of the Caritas Choir have been invited to sing at their annual Christmas Concert. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend. No tickets required.

**Wednesday 14 December**

**FAIRBRIDGE CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**St John's Church, Princes Street, 6.30pm**

**Tickets available from Fairbridge on 0131 475 2441**

The members of the Chamber Choir and Caritas Strings lead a Christmas Concert in support of *Fairbridge*, a national charity working with some of Scotland's most disengaged and excluded young people.

**Thursday 15 December**

**P6/P7 JUNIOR SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE**

**Polwarth Parish Church, 2pm**

Singers and players from P6 and P7 celebrate the Christmas season in the beautiful setting of Polwarth Church.

**Friday 16 December**

**P4/P5 JUNIOR SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE**

**Polwarth Parish Church, 2pm**

The turn of the pupils in P4 and P5 to celebrate the Christmas season in words and music.

**Monday 19 December**

**FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS**

**St Giles' Cathedral, 7.30pm**

The traditional uplifting celebration of the Christmas season in the beautiful setting of St Giles' Cathedral led by members of the College Chorus, Chamber Choir and Ex Corde Choir, as well as many past pupils who come to join us to swell the singing.

THE CRUCIBLE, SEPTEMBER 2010

JUNIOR SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE, NOVEMBER 2010

