

## CLYM PLANS FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

Dear parent/carer/CLYM member,

We hope that everyone has remained safe and well over the summer.

It feels like a long time ago that we sent out an email letting you know that CLYM groups would be paused due to the coronavirus pandemic. During the summer term, conductors worked to provide resources for listening or practice, and found new ways to try and keep in touch, such as new social media accounts for the group. If your child took part in a virtual orchestra or ensemble over the summer term, these videos will be coming soon.

Regarding our return, we are very keen to see everyone again and get back to making music, however the health and safety of all of our children and young people is our top priority. As with everything, we must follow both Government and Leeds City Council guidance when it comes to re-introducing rehearsals. Unfortunately, as it stands at present, we will not be able to return to normal face to face rehearsals in September as we had hoped. We are obviously all very disappointed by this. However, we hope that we will be able to introduce some kind of CLYM provision as soon as possible in the autumn term – we anticipate that this will be a phased approach starting with online activity gradually moving back towards face to face rehearsals as the situation allows. We will of course keep you updated about our plans for CLYM for the autumn term as soon as we can.

