

## **Ardoch Strings: Instrumental Opportunities Report for Spring (Jan-Mar) 2020**

### **Pupils benefiting from the project**

Five P3s started lessons at the beginning of the new term. Pupil numbers are as follows:

P3s 5  
P4s 7  
P5s 4  
P6s 5  
P7s 3  
Total: 24

### **Ardoch Strings after school club**

This ran for all of the eight possible weeks on a Friday from 3pm 17 out of 19 eligible players (ie not beginners) attend this optional club on a weekly basis.

### **Performances and assessments – all cancelled**

We had great plans for this term, which were all cancelled days before the events due to the Covid-19 outbreak. Had all been well, we would have run the following programme:

16 March Perform in Perth in the Perth Concert Hall  
18 March ABRSM exams, with four Ardoch Strings candidates taking Grade 1 and one taking Grade 2  
19 March Guild Tea at Ardoch Church Hall

The kids were disappointed but largely stoical as the cancellations came in. Former members of the project were however able to sit Grade 4 & 5 and Higher Music exams before the general shutdown.

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