



## Musical Recital at Nailsea

Nailsea School Music Department hosted a fabulous night of entertainment with its Music Recital concert. A variety of classical pieces were performed by students, many of whom have reached Grade 8 with distinction in their musical instrument of choice. The talent at Nailsea School goes from strength to strength as new members take up the baton. Over the years Sixth Form students Alice Vaughan-Williams and Laura Packham have performed outstanding flute duets and trios. On this occasion they opened the show with the "Trio of the Young Ishmaelites from l'enfance du Christ Op 25" by Berlioz and the audience were not disappointed.

The audience were treated to musical pieces by a range of performers and styles. Sisters Abby Capern (Year 10) & Sophie Capern (Year 8) sang "Someone Like You" and the "Letter".

Lynda Perkins Head of Music commented:

*"Their songs were heartfelt and their voices blended with musical vocal harmonies".*

Sam Schaefer playing the piano performed his AS recital pieces, entertaining the audience with pieces by Bach, Berkely and Joplin. Meanwhile Velsemoy's Song by Halvorsen was performed by Ellie Lloyd – Jones on Cello.

Music teacher Lynda Perkins commented that Sam's pieces were played with 'Pizazz' and that Ellie's rendition showed 'Great skill'.

"Nocturno" by Strauss was played on the French Horn by Katherine Dumbell - a difficult piece. Later Lydia Moore gave a stylish performance of a piece by Purcell on her trombone. Pianist Joshua Hayler impressed the audience with his rendition of Beethoven's Pathetique Sonata.

Mrs Perkins commented: *"Josh, showed excellent technical ability and mastered the music with ease".*

The recital was brought to a close by flautists Alice Vaughan-Williams and Laura Packham who played Caliente by Callende.

Mrs Perkins said: *"The recital has been an overwhelming success with brilliant contributions from all of our participants – I am extremely proud of the quality of their performances".*

Some of the Music Department's stalwart members leave Nailsea School this summer, and three of them, Alice, Joshua and Laura head off to Oxford University. This recital proves there are further significant contributions to be made from the next pool of talent at Nailsea School.

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