

## Ardoch Strings: Instrumental Opportunities Report for Winter (Jan-Mar) 2019

### Pupils benefiting from the project

Numbers are unchanged, as follows:

P3s 7  
P4s 5  
P5s 7  
P6s 3  
P7s 4  
Total: 26

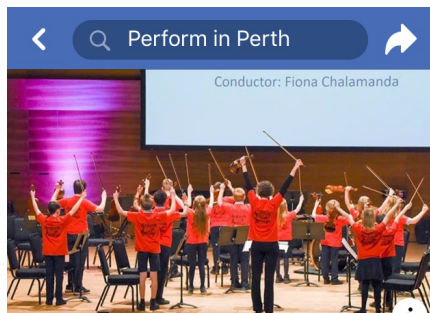
### Ardoch Strings after school club

15 children have attended the Ardoch Strings after school club this term. This is a large proportion of the 18 eligible P4-7s, and proves its popularity.

### Performances and medals

There were no medal or Grade examinations this term. The Guild has once again asked the violins to play at their tea on 2 May.

### Ardoch Strings entered the prestigious Perform in Perth



Music Festival and played on the Perth Concert Hall main stage on 11th March. This experience was hugely valuable in motivating



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Karen, Cathy and 395 others like this

and bonding the group. As we were the only entrants in the Elementary Strings category, we even got first place with a First Class mark of 85% from the adjudicator. Ardoch Strings featured in both the *Strathearn Herald* and the *Perthshire Advertiser* and is currently the cover picture for the *Perform in Perth* Facebook page (see below). The head of the PKC instrumental service approached us afterwards to congratulate us and encouraged children over the age of 9 to attend their music camps. As a result at least four members of Ardoch strings plan to go to the residential music camp in May.

### **And finally ...**

Two of the first beneficiaries of the Instrumental Opportunities project, Hamish Cranston and Harris Bickerton, have just done their Nat 5 Music performance exam on violin!

*Fiona Chalamanda, March 2019*

