Ardoch Strings: Instrumental Opportunities Report for Spring Term (Jan-Mar) 2022

Covid-security measures are still in place, and teaching continues to take place in the village hall to allow social distancing, ventilation and good hand hygiene.

Lessons were provided for 8 weeks of this term despite the covid outbreak in the school. The term was actually 12 weeks long so I was able to make up the missed weeks. However, the afterschool club was more affected, also by inservice days, and therefore only ran for 5 weeks.

Pupils involved in the project

The numbers have gone up significantly as seven new P3s have started learning violin. The P4 who dropped lessons last term asked to return. Current numbers are up to 23.

P3s: 7 P4s: 4 P5s: 3 P6s: 6 P7s: 3 Total: 23

Parent contributions are £20 per term per child, covering 40% of the tuition and venue hire cost of the project this term.

Ardoch Strings & performances

I was able to run the Ardoch Strings afterschool club for five weeks for the older learners in P5/6/7, with P4s joining us for the last two weeks. We were able to create a recording of a Scottish and Malawian tune to share with Braco Primary's new partner school in Malawi.

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