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A GIFT THAT RESONATES





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*"It's an amazing music venue.
I really like the recording
studio and the rock room, and
I look forward to playing my
guitar in there."*

Truro School Music Appeal

"I am proud to head a School that champions the transformative power of music and musical education, investing courageously in widening cultural opportunities for the young people of Cornwall."

Mr Andy Johnson, Head

OUR STORY SO FAR

Truro School has a long and proud tradition of philanthropy, and the Music Project marks the next exciting chapter. For nearly 150 years, our community has generously supported bursaries, facilities, and opportunities that help young people thrive.

With a firm belief in the pivotal role of music in education, community and cultural life, the Truro School Music Project will see the creation of a new multi-million-pound music centre and a refurbished multi-use hall. Together, these spaces will foster musical participation, excellence, and inclusion within the school and the broader community.

At the time of this appeal's launch, many of you will have seen the building take shape. Our topping out ceremony was held in June, the crane was removed during the October half term, and the project is now entering an exciting phase where most of the work is happening inside.

We expect the building to be in use for our target date of July 2026, with a formal event and celebratory concert planned for early in the Autumn Term. Watch this space! All

friends and supporters of this appeal will be warmly invited to what will be a unique and very special event.

The project aligns with Truro School's rich musical tradition, which delivers around 40 annual concerts and gigs, an annual Summer Festival, individual music lessons for over 250 pupils, and regular notable multi-show performances of major musicals.

For over a decade, Cornwall Music Service Trust (CMST) and Truro School have worked hand in hand to make music accessible to all. Now, CMST will take its place at the very heart of our new music centre, strengthening a partnership that has already transformed countless lives.

Together, we will continue to enable students of every generation, background, and community to experience the joy of music-making, nurturing a thriving musical culture that enriches lives today and builds a stronger, healthier community for tomorrow. And this is just the beginning: we are exploring opportunities to work alongside other likeminded charities to broaden the music centre's impact even further.

"Cornwall Music Service Trust (CMST) is a charity providing music teaching, support, and therapy for close to 10,000 children across over 240 schools or settings in Cornwall and we see this facility as incredibly important for music education in Cornwall. We are now in our 10th year of operation and are very excited about the tangible opportunities the Music Project will present, providing an efficient and effective environment to facilitate our work as a charity."

Gareth Churcher, Head of Service, CMST

The Giving Scale of Support

A Gift That Resonates

As the project moves to completion, we invite you to partner with us and help give this extraordinary gift of music to generations of children to come. In a national educational and cultural landscape where musical opportunities are diminishing for children, our facility will loudly and proudly choose instead to amplify musical opportunity across Cornwall.

For young and old alike, and for those of any experience or musical ability, the gift of music is more than cultural. Music supports mental health, it forges friendship, community, and social connection, it feeds the soul, it helps us explore and express our emotions, and it is a limitless and timeless source of joy and inspiration.

The **Giving Scale of Support** is an invitation for you to be part of the giving of this gift of music. Your support now will enable us to equip and finish the facility to the highest standards. A small number of individuals, including alumni and former parents of Truro School, are already helping in this way, alongside the Cornwall Music Service Trust.

At this important time, you have the opportunity to make a gift that will resonate powerfully for the future, a gift that will associate your generosity directly with the joy and opportunity that this project will enable for the future.

Giving can be anonymous, but for all who give, the invitation will be to have your generosity recognised publicly in the foyer of the building and shared in our School magazine for parents and alumni to see.

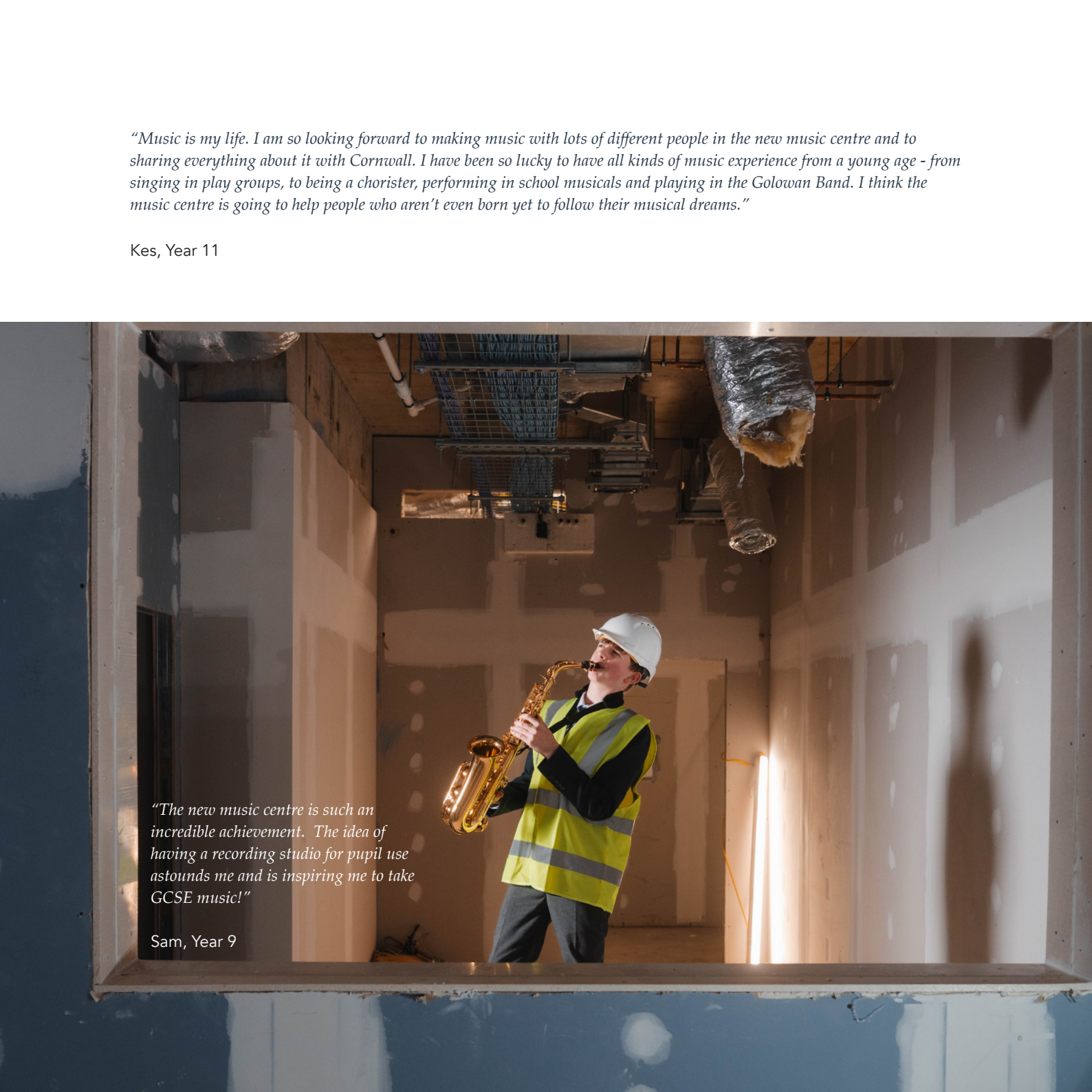
Generosity is welcome at any level too. Over the next few pages we have illustrated this in, appropriately for the music minded, a scale. Should you wish to support this project in a way that is outside our **Giving Scale**, please do also reach out as advised overleaf too.

"We were proud to be part of the Truro School community for 14 years. At each stage, from Pre-Prep to Prep to Truro School to Sixth Form both of our sons were exposed to a rich variety of music, starting and ending with that most universal of musical activities, singing. Truro School nurtured their individual talents, awarding them both scholarships as they developed their skills as soloists, ensemble performers, composers and musical leaders. Through all these activities they have forged lifelong friendships with fellow students. It is no coincidence that both of them have kept musical performance as a major part of their daily lives after school, and one of them is on his way to a career as a theatrical musical director, having been entrusted to assume his first MD role in Les Miserables at Truro during his Lower Sixth year."

Vandana & David Jones – Old Truronian Parent Donors

"Music is my life. I am so looking forward to making music with lots of different people in the new music centre and to sharing everything about it with Cornwall. I have been so lucky to have all kinds of music experience from a young age - from singing in play groups, to being a chorister, performing in school musicals and playing in the Golowan Band. I think the music centre is going to help people who aren't even born yet to follow their musical dreams."

Kes, Year 11



"The new music centre is such an incredible achievement. The idea of having a recording studio for pupil use astounds me and is inspiring me to take GCSE music!"

Sam, Year 9

Finding Your Note - Eight Ways to Give

Scale	Description	Donation	Recognition
Do	Thank you for being an active part of this transformative project.	£100 - 400	You will be invited to the launch concert for the music centre and your name will be on the donor wall, and celebrated in our school publications.
Re	You will have personalised recognition in the building.	£500	As above, and your name will be engraved on a plaque to be placed on one of the 200 raked seats in our refurbished hall.
Me	All donors giving this amount or more will be invited to join a newly formed 1880 Club. Details are outlined on page 8.	£1,880	You will be given access to future bespoke 1880 Club events, starting with a private pre-opening reception for the Music Centre.
Fa	Your help can provide those using the facility with state-of-the-art equipment.	Bespoke	Instruments, technology, or wider equipment will be identified as having been a result of your generosity to those who benefit from them.
So	If you are a professional musician or music leader, give the gift of expertise and inspiration.	Bespoke	Pledge an experience, masterclass, or seminar that this place can host and which can be a time of inspiration for the musicians of the future.



"For me, music offers a helpful balance between challenge and enjoyment. It's brought structure during busy revision periods, while still giving me the chance to be creative."
Daisy, Sixth Form

Scale	Description	Donation	Recognition
La	Have one of our rooms named after you. The building includes practice rooms, three classrooms, a music tech room, a foyer, and two differently sized rehearsal spaces.	£5,000+	Friends of this project – individual, philanthropic, or commercial – who are interested in giving at this level or beyond are invited to reach out to the Head, who will be keen to understand how we can best reflect your wishes and the way that you would like to give. You will be invited to come and see the building and its exciting progress, and to meet those involved in its creation and excited about its impact, hosted by the Head.
Ti	Sponsor an award for a talented musician otherwise unable to join the school, to be educated here and have routine access to this facility to realise their talent and pursue their passion for music.	£5,000+	
Do Major	There is also the opportunity to own the naming rights to our refurbished and modernised multi-use hall. This space can seat up to 900 and hosts major events, assemblies, performances and examinations.	£100,000+	Your generosity from this partnership will be transformative.

WAYS TO MAKE YOUR GIFT

If you are keen to support this project up to and including at 1880 Club Level you can securely donate online via the QR link below, or please reach out to:

CLERK TO THE FOUNDATION

Mr Sam Willsher
 E-mail foundation@truroschool.com
 Telephone **01872 246094**

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Finding Your Note

MAKE YOUR MARK, YOUR WAY

Gifts of a more creative nature outside of the **Giving Scale** outlined are also welcome. Generosity has already made possible the creation and resourcing of the building's dedicated and sound proofed rock and amplified music rehearsal room, and the addition of a balcony with views over the city. If you would like to discuss a contribution (financial or otherwise) that is more bespoke than the **Giving Scale**, please do reach out. Generosity that can inspire and enable the use and benefit of this facility will be welcome.

CORPORATE DONATIONS

Align your business alongside Cornwall's next musical and cultural landmark. By supporting Truro School's Music Centre, your business will be associated with excellence, creativity, and community impact.

We offer recognition opportunities that showcase your business as a champion of musical education and the arts. Partner with us and Cornwall Music Service Trust and together we can create a space where music thrives for generations to come.

THE TRURO SCHOOL FOUNDATION

All donations to support this project will be handled with sensitivity and care. We will support them to be made directly to the Truro School Foundation. The Foundation was established in 2016. It is a registered charity (no.1070969) dedicated exclusively to supporting the School. Its work and the donations and legacies given to it over the years of its existence have been primarily to widen access to the School. This has happened via annual support for means tested bursaries, as well as emergency support

for families during Covid. The Foundation have kindly agreed to receive donations for the **Giving Scale** to support their enhancement via gift aid where appropriate, to further amplify their impact.

THE 1880 CLUB

All donors giving £1,880 or more will become the inaugural members of our new 1880 Club with the bespoke access to future events and news related to School philanthropy that entails. All future donors offering that level of generosity will similarly become members of this Club, that will formally be launched after this facility opens in Autumn 2026, with further details of its membership opportunities.

LOOKING BEYOND

The School and Foundation are planning to use this project beyond the creation of the Music Centre as a pathway to widen bursary access to the school and as a platform for a campaign finale at the time of the School's 150th Anniversary in 2030. That campaign will be designed to effect step change in access to a Truro School education. In a world where the costs of both delivering and also accessing such an education continue to rise, support to protect our School's community identity and to actively widen it, are commitments in harmony with our Methodist foundation and this project. The School and the Foundation proudly launch this campaign to enhance musical opportunity and as a launchpad for our future work to widen educational access more broadly too.

The 1880 Club, we hope to be instrumental in that journey that will be life-changing for generations of children to come. If you would like to know more about the work of the Foundation, or to support it beyond the scope of the **Giving Scale**, please do reach out to us.

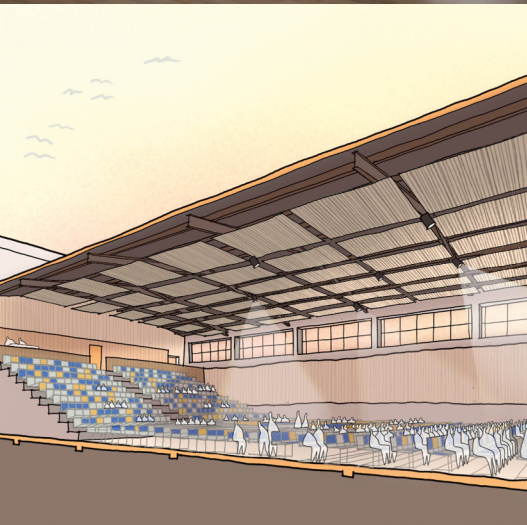
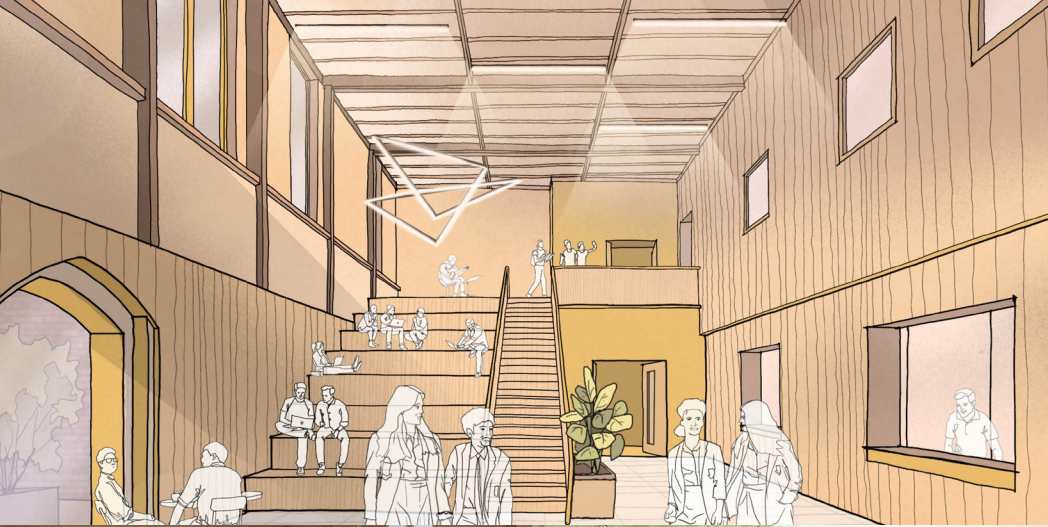
"Music to me is not only a way to relax and enjoy myself but also a way to express my feelings. It is something that helps me process my thoughts and share a part of myself without having to say much."

Isaac, Sixth Form



"As an Old Truronian, I was fortunate to rekindle my connections with Truro School at the Royal Cornwall Show about 12 years ago. Shortly after I was introduced to the Truro School Foundation with which I have been associated with ever since. Through this and my regular meetings with the Head and the Development Team I was made aware of their exciting new Music Project. It's great to see the School's commitment to championing music making and to widening educational access and opportunity across Cornwall. That's the right ambition for the School, and one I am excited to be part of."

Existing Music Centre Project and Bursary Donor



How to Make Your Gift That Resonates

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"The Music Project Building is being constructed in part to be a musical hub for Truro School, however we are determined that this venue should significantly transform the musical life of the local area, becoming a local hub for music-making. A large rehearsal space with excellent acoustics will provide a venue for outside groups to regularly rehearse, and the hall will become a centre of musical excellence for all of central and southern Cornwall, potentially drawing new concert artists to the area. I am hugely excited for the opportunities this new building will provide to the entire community."

Richard Osmond Director of Music, Truro School

"The new music centre will be a place where our youngest pupils can discover the joy of making music together, while giving the wider school community a centre that celebrates creativity, collaboration, and the growth of every budding young musician."

Angela Renshaw Head of Music, Truro School Prep

"Coming from a musical family, I've never known a life without music. I became a chorister at age 8 alongside playing the cornet. Every schoolday I do some form of music and I'm excited that I'll have the opportunity to perform in this amazing facility."

Trystan, Year 11

Please do consider donating via the QR link >





"Imagine a place where every note inspires, every voice is heard, and every young musician can dream without limits. That's the future we aspire to build. Your gift, large or small, will help turn that vision into reality. Together, let's make music the heartbeat of our community."

Nigel Ashcroft MBE, Chair of Truro School Foundation

Updates on the project's progress will be shared here >

