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## **Information for Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 Musicians**

### **Anna Markland - Piano Masterclass: Monday 20 June 2016**

As a new initiative in my role as Director of Music I am very keen to bring professional musicians into school to talk, perform and give guidance to pupils. To start off the NSB Masterclass sessions we have been able to arrange for Anna Markland to come in on Monday 20 June.

Anna is a former winner of the BBC Young Musician of the Year Award: a pianist, singer and all round musical inspiration. The Masterclass is not just open to pianists although Anna will be listening to several pianists performing. Anybody who is keen to learn more about performing, practice and the pressure that both of those have on busy lifestyles can attend.

I have managed to ensure that Anna is here for the duration of Mrs Davies' Year 10 GCSE lesson (periods 4 and 5). Any other pupil who is free at that point is very welcome to attend. Anna will be giving some helpful guidance to several pupils on their playing ability and technique, talking about practice regimes, and finish off the session playing a couple of pieces for us all.

I am keen for this to be the first of many sessions with a wide range of top professional instrumentalists coming into school to give our budding musicians inspiration.

Mr O Druker  
Director of Music