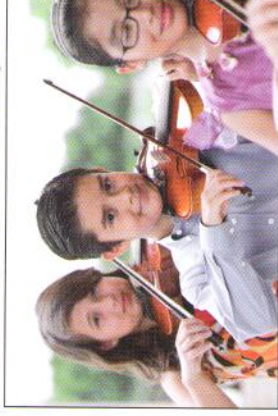


## GRESHAM'S TO HOST SUMMER MUSIC COURSE FOR ASPIRING YOUNG MUSICIANS

Musically talented children from 8-13 years are invited to take part in this year's Britten Music Course (BMC), hosted by Gresham's School in Holt from Tuesday 18th to Sunday 23rd July.

Named after former Gresham's pupil, Benjamin Britten, the five-day residential course offers first-class music tuition with a mix of orchestral and choral workshops and an opportunity to perform in both solo and ensemble concerts.

Now in its seventh year, the BMC is led by former Monteverdi Choir member, Tom Appleton, and Gresham's own team of teaching, support and boarding staff. The week will come to an end with a fantastic crescendo as the children perform Carl Orff's hugely popular



Carmina Burana together with a specially formed adult choir as part of the opening day of the 2017 Holt Festival.

Children joining the course will also have the opportunity to visit Aldeburgh in Suffolk to give a recital on the

iconic stage in Britten's concert hall, Snape Maltings, and to recreate some of Britten's music on the islands on Thorpeness Meare. Plenty of activities ranging from a pizza night to a visit to an award-winning north Norfolk beach are also offered during the fun-packed week.

For the first time, course participants will be able to make the most of Gresham's new Britten Building, a state of the art Music School which will offer modern and comfortable practice and performance spaces, a new 140 seat auditorium and a recording studio.

Fiona Ross, BMC organiser and Gresham's Music Administrator, said: "I am delighted that Gresham's is again able to offer this fantastic experience for young musicians to develop their talent in a wonderfully creative environment. If you're an aspiring young musician, want to make new friends and have lots of music-making fun, the Britten Music Course is definitely for you."

The cost for this extraordinary week of music-making and fun is £350 which includes accommodation at Gresham's Prep School in Holt, food, tuition and music.

For more information, please see [www.greshams.com/bmc](http://www.greshams.com/bmc) or contact Fiona Ross at [fross@greshams.com](mailto:fross@greshams.com).