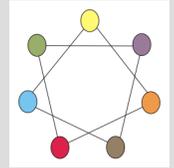


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# TobinMusic

ACCELERATING MUSIC LITERACY

# News

*It's a time of many new, exciting developments for everyone associated with the Tobin Music System. We intend to keep you up to date and inform you of upcoming events in our monthly Newsletters.*

## DVD is finished and well received

The newly completed Tobin System Introductory DVD has been sent out far and wide and we are now beginning to receive feedback.

Julie Hall writes;

*It has been very rewarding to see my school on the Tobin DVD (Birds Bush County Primary School, Tamworth). The DVD shows children ages 4-11 using various aspects of the system. The children were extremely proud to be part of it and loved watching the film. I know many parents and children are logging onto the Tobin Website to see it at home and show their relatives.*

*The film was made in November 2006 and shows what the system has done for my school since I began to use it in September 2005. You will see I am teaching full classes and the film shows various aspects of the system though there is a great deal more. Westminster has now received the DVD and people seem to be very excited by it; John Robertson's parliamentary assistant sent this response only last week;*

*"I have just this minute finished watching the DVD. It is brilliant. I felt after watching it that I have actually learned something from it and probably much more than I did when I did Higher Music at school! I thought the introduction with the comments from Mark and Derek was a brilliant starting point. These are two very highly regarded people and it drew attention to just how effective this system can be to two different people. It was really good to get Julie and the head teacher to say something about it too because that covers all the sceptical music teachers and heads of schools who think that this is something far too complex which will only help a number of people! It was a good transition from barely knowing anything to being able to play their own compositions at the end – it shows how effective the system really is." Jill Cuthbertson*

## Dame Evelyn Glennie adds her support

Gillian Rotherham has been busy sending out DVDs and informing as many people as she can think of about the link on the website. Dame Evelyn Glennie was one of the recipients and sent this response;

*"I have now watched the DVD with great interest. There is no doubt as to the impact that the Tobin system has on not only the children, which is indeed profound, but on the teachers too. The simplicity of the tools required is great as obviously the financial aspect of music education and support is at an all time low. There is no doubt also that this system requires awareness overseas as well - it may already have. I'm a great supporter of engaging all senses in learning anything and I know the Tobin system would benefit not only the young but late beginners (adults) and those with various physical and mental challenges. I would be intrigued to see the system used with hearing impaired children. They have specific challenges to deal with and the Tobin system allows the individual to truly "experience" a sound which evolves into music - their own music which is even more extraordinary!"*





# Tamworth Tobin Partners

by Julie Hall

My husband, Chris, and I successfully launched the Tamworth Tobin Partners group on the 11<sup>th</sup> March. There are a willing group of parents who, like me, feel that the system should be in every school. Many of the parents come to our Saturday morning classes and have seen the children blossom into young composers before their very eyes. The group has already got a whole host of ideas and are going to help raise awareness of the system in other schools and also help market the training days. We also have the local newspaper coming to do a report of the system in my school.

I would be happy for other professionals in the midlands area to contact me if they wish to find out more about being a Tobin partner.

There will also be a taster course in Tamworth on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> May; teachers can come and observe two Saturday morning classes, have lunch with us and then do some training in the afternoon. It is a course suitable for the private instrumental teacher as well as those in the school system.

## SPECIAL EVENT

14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL ST JOHN'S ARC, OLD HARLOW

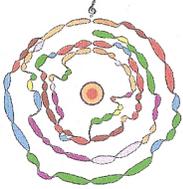
**ACCELERATING MUSIC LITERACY – A TALK GIVEN BY CANDIDA TOBIN**

1.30 - 5.00 pm £25 pp

**JAZZ CONCERT FEATURING THE BO LINDSTROM QUARTET**

The programme includes contemporary jazz; standards, swing, ballads and Latin American numbers. 7.30 pm

**ART EXHIBITION OF ROUNDS**



**ALL PROFITS FROM THE SALE OF ROUNDS AND THE JAZZ CONCERT WILL GO TO THE TOBIN TRUST**

## DIARY COURSE DATES

16<sup>th</sup> March The Tobin Tour – 1 Day Course  
Norfolk Park, Sheffield  
£80 Full, £60 Trainee

25<sup>th</sup> March Associate Level Module 3  
Old Malthouse £80

## SAWBRIDGEWORTH PARTNERS MEETING SUNDAY APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> 12.30pm

Candida is holding a meeting for partners (those interested in promoting Tobin Music) at her house to exchange ideas and information as well to provide updates on their activities since the last meeting.

Please bring a dish to contribute to the buffet lunch.

## NEWS CONTRIBUTIONS

We would love to hear about your news and any outstanding pupils. Please send all contributions, of no more than 200 words, to [newsletter@tobinmusic.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@tobinmusic.co.uk)

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