

Dear Parents

Our Head of Music (Mr Worth) is helping to produce a show at the Palace Theatre on Thursday 18th May entitled 'Billy's Band Family Concert', details of which are below. Although not a school event, we wanted to make you aware of this great opportunity to introduce primary aged children to live music in a fun and interactive concert:



Southend Music Education Hub would like to announce that on **18th May** the **Palace Theatre** is holding a **Billy's Band and Southend Sings Family Concert**.

'**Billy's Band**' is featured in a series of books written by professional trumpeter Danny Newell (billysband.co.uk)

Billy's Band & Southend Sings will see Billy's Band working with Southend Music Education Hub, Southend Borough Council Services for Schools, and Palace Theatre to bring children together with top professional musicians in a Billy's Band Family Concert where children and families will be encouraged to sing, play, clap, dance, and even conduct the band.

Award-winning musicians, including Gavin Greenaway (conductor of Hollywood blockbusters such as *Gladiator*, *Shrek*, and *Chicken Run*), have written and arranged music especially for the concert.

Cartoons of Billy (voiced by Simon Callow) will introduce families to fun musical activities during the concert which lasts for one hour and is packed full of famous tunes and fun opportunities for children to get involved.

Tickets can be booked through the box office website:

<https://southendtheatres.org.uk/Online/tickets-billys-band-southend-2017>

... or by phone: **01702 35113**

Demand is likely to be high so we advise that you book swiftly to avoid disappointment.

