

MUSIC



Sunday morning saw a group of children excitedly waiting to catch the minibus to Chichester. The Choseday Club were off to participate in a music workshop followed by a performance of the BBC's Classical 10 Pieces. The children threw themselves enthusiastically into the workshop and several percussion shakers were made, some effective drums, a decorative didgeridoo and an impressive guitar!

After lunch, the children then joined the BBC Concert Orchestra in the Festival Theatre to explore the stories and secrets hidden in a range of classical pieces. They had to assist the young composer, Emily Presto, whose mission was to write a brand new piece of music for the orchestra. Along the way we met some terrifying trolls, explored space and danced with cowboys.

The programme includes:

Holst - Mars from The Planets
Beethoven - Symphony No. 5 in C minor - 1st Movement
Grieg - In the Hall of the Mountain King from Peer Gynt
Vaughan Williams - The Lark Ascending
Handel - Zadok the Priest
Shostakovich - Symphony No. 10 - Scherzo
Bizet - Habanera from Carmen Suite No. 2
Copland - Hoe-Down from Rodeo
Freestone - The Chichester Rocket
Stravinsky - The Firebird

I've never been to a theatre before (child aged 10).

I can't get that Cowboy song out of my head and I can still remember the dance!

(child aged 8).

Wow, look at all those lights ... these seats are amazing ... isn't it dark? I like live music. (child aged 10).

My children haven't stopped talking about the day. We have had to Google the music and have listened to it at home – the children are loving their instruments too, (me not so much!) Thank you for giving up your weekend. (parent of 2 children who attended)