

Friday 5 May 2023

Dear Everyone

A shame that it's the 5th: I so wanted to say May the Fourth be with you.

Earlier in the week, I sent a link to *Bohemian Rhapsody* played on a squeaky chicken toy. Dawn played this and discovered something we'd never seen before. Turn the sound up a bit and stay with it...

<https://youtu.be/RAjQgTYt9oA>

On the subject of singing, following our announcement a year ago that we will be establishing a dedicated programme for girl choristers, we are delighted to bring you an update that we can now offer probationary places for girls from September 2023.

As we are planning for additional boarding facilities to accommodate girls to come on stream in due course, initial probationer places for girls at St Paul's Cathedral School will be for day pupils only for the first year, for both existing pupils and external applicants.

More information will be available at an online event on 24th May at 6pm – to register for this event, please email the Cathedral's Music Administrator, Angela Palotai on apalotai@stpaulscathedral.org.uk.

Next week, the Choir Schools Association holds its annual conference, this year hosted at The King's School, Worcester. Joining me representing SPCS will be Judith Fremont-Barnes. I'll be back in School from Thursday.

Enjoy the weekend, and if you were able to find tarragon in Waitrose, congratulations.

Best wishes

Simon