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Dear

Enfield Arts Support Service - Your Local Music Service

Young people's music making in the UK sets the standard for the rest of the world and Enfield Arts Support Service (EASS) is crucial in delivering music education in the London Borough of Enfield.

Music education is key to improving standards in the London Borough of Enfield with national research showing that music improves student attainment in English and Maths as well as Music. As an example, research has shown that students who have studied Music can remember 17% more verbal information than those without musical training.

Our world class music education system is also supported by the public. Polling conducted by YouGov and the Incorporated Society of Musicians (ISM) demonstrates that 91% of the public back music education in schools with more than 75% backing the current funding level.

In the current economic climate, music services are being placed under more and more pressure, and yet the services they provide are more and more important to the country.

Music services are not just crucial in promoting academic attainment in our schools. They also help generate one of the most successful parts of the UK economy. Ten per cent of the UK's GDP is derived from the creative sector; the only sector to grow during the recession.

If you can commit to supporting Enfield Arts Support Service, which is the borough's music service, please reply to this letter to let me know.

We hope that you are willing to support EASS's work and campaign for the future of music education in this country.

Yours sincerely,