

16th March 2023

Dear Year 3 and Year 4 Families,

We have another exciting opportunity for our Year 3 and Year 4 children to work with some visiting international musicians.

We are incredibly grateful to our local community partners Dartington Trust who have managed to secure funding for this event to happen and have invited some of our other Trust schools, Ellacombe and Dunsford, to participate in the event too.

The musicians visiting will be Dr. Rajeeb Chakraborty, an internationally acclaimed Sarod player from India, who is a musician, an educationist, music composer and conductor. Dr Rajeeb belongs to the Maihar gharana of North Indian Classical Music, and trained under his father and lifelong Guru Pandit Rabi Chakraborty. Accompanying him will be Sanju Sahai (also known as Vishnu Sahai) who is currently one of the finest and most sought after Tabla players of his generation and Jaymini Sahai, who is a Kathak artist based in the UK. She is passionate about performing and teaching dance as well as creating new innovative dance projects.

The workshop at Dartington will take place on Tuesday 25th April 2023 and all our Year 3 and 4 children will be involved. The children will experience learning to recite and play Indian rhythms, singing basic Indian melodies and learn about Indian classical and folk dances from the Indian subcontinent through three mini labs: Rhythm, Melody and Dance.

They will have a day filled with workshops of Indian dance, music and storytelling and we would love to invite you all to come and watch the performance at the end of the day. Please join us if you can at 2:30pm in the hall for the performance.

Dartington Trust would like to invite all the children who participated to perform at the actual performance on the Saturday too. I have copied the link for more information below and we will ask you how many can attend this closer to the time. Here is the link [Thrive Festival - Dartington Trust](#)

What an incredible opportunity for our children!

Best wishes



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