

Curry Fundraiser for Parents and Pupils

Parents and pupils are invited to a musical collaboration in which East meets West together with an Indian curry cooked by our talented team of chefs on **Monday 3rd June 2019**.

A workshop and performance will take place between 15:40 – 17:15 in Ashburton Hall; followed by a curry from 17:15 in the Dining Room. All parents and pupils are invited to this fundraising event.

Anup Biswas, the celebrated international 'cellist and educationalist, will be performing alongside Senior String Orchestra, Junior Strings and Pre-Prep strings. Parents who play a stringed instrument are also most welcome to join the Senior String Orchestra on this occasion too.

We are delighted to be hosting 'cellist Anup Biswas, who was raised in a Christian Kolkata orphanage in West Bengal, India. Anup founded The Mathieson Music School in Kolkata, for underprivileged children. The Mathieson Music School was opened in memory of Anup's mentor, Father Mathieson, who first introduced him to the 'cello. Anup went on to be awarded a scholarship to study at the Royal Academy of Music, London (his teachers included Thomas Igloi, Amaryllis Fleming, Pierre Fournier and Jacqueline du Pré). He now pursues a professional playing career. He has given concerts throughout Great Britain, including The Royal Albert Hall, St James' Palace, Westminster Abbey, St Paul's Cathedral, the House of Commons and Grays Inn (where, in addition to a Vivaldi concerto, he played an Indian raga at the personal request of HRH the Prince of Wales). He has also appeared as a soloist with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

Anup is currently raising money for new buildings at the Mathieson Music School which houses fifty pupils. At St Faith's, Anup will be running workshops in both Indian and Western music, with two colleagues, throughout the day as well as speaking to all pupils in School Assembly. I had the honour of visiting Anup at the school in Kolkata recently and was so inspired that I felt the community at St Faith's might be able to help whilst inspiring our own pupils.

If you would like to join us for this event please can you complete the JotForm at this link: <https://form.jotformeu.com/91193408229358>.