

## Autumn term 2 musical appreciation

### 'Music of war & remembrance', 'Thank you!' & 'a choral Christmas'

Week beginning	Value	Artist/ composer/ genre	Links
3.11.20	Perseverance and respect	<p>Music of war and remembrance</p> <p>Górecki – Symphony of Sorrowful Songs</p> <p>Henryk Górecki was one of the composers responsible for the post-war Renaissance of Polish music – and his 1976 Symphony No. 3 was wonderfully melancholy. A solo soprano sings Polish texts in all three movements of the Symphony of Sorrowful Songs. For the second movement, the composer was inspired by the words etched into the walls of a Gestapo prison by an 18-year-old girl during the Second World War. The words read:</p> <p>"No, Mother, do not weep, Most chaste Queen of Heaven Support me always."</p>	<p>Second movement of Górecki – Symphony of Sorrowful Songs</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8MkjkNo92I">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8MkjkNo92I</a></p>
9.11.20	Perseverance and respect	<p>Music of war and remembrance</p> <p>"Harry Patch (In Memory Of)" is a song by the English alternative rock band Radiohead. The song is a tribute to</p> <p><b>Henry John Patch</b> (17 June 1898 – 25 July 2009), dubbed in his later years "the Last Fighting Tommy", was an English supercentenarian, briefly the oldest man in Europe and the last surviving combat soldier of the First World War from any country</p>	<p>Radiohead Harry Patch (In memory of)</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XY0E3PaNli4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XY0E3PaNli4</a></p> <p>The last post <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PBHZwMz70fQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PBHZwMz70fQ</a></p>

		<p><i>I am the only one that got through The others died wherever they fell It was an ambush They came up from all sides</i></p> <p><b>The last post:</b> The mournful solo bugle with its sparse melodic military call is played at services throughout the country on Remembrance Sunday. Respectful and regal, the march-like rhythms gradually die away until the music comes to rest on a long held note</p>	
16.11.20	<b>Generosity and thankfulness</b>	<p>Music of war and remembrance</p> <p><b>Butterworth – the banks of Green Willow.</b> A beautiful piece of pastoral music, conjuring idyllic scenes of rolling countryside. Butterworth composed the piece in 1913, and it was first performed in the following year. He was killed at the age of 31 during the Battle of the Somme in 1916.</p>	<p><b>Butterworth – the banks of Green Willow.</b> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AUsisFkLCxo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AUsisFkLCxo</a></p>
23.11.20	<b>Generosity and thankfulness</b>	<p>Thank you!</p> <p><b>Earth, wind and fire ‘Gratitude’</b> (abbreviated as EW&amp;F or simply EWF) is an American band that has spanned the musical genres of <a href="#">R&amp;B</a>, <a href="#">soul</a>, <a href="#">funk</a>, <a href="#">jazz</a>, <a href="#">disco</a>, <a href="#">pop</a>, <a href="#">rock</a>, <a href="#">dance</a>, <a href="#">Latin</a>, and <a href="#">Afro pop</a></p> <p><b>Gratitude was released in 1975</b></p> <p>Wanna thank you, Wanna thank you Freedom in stride, love, peace of mind We just wanna give Gratitude Got plenty love we wanna give to you With good music and we're tryin' to say That the Good Lord's gonna make a way Open up your heart, let your body find Freedom in your stride, love, peace of mind</p>	<p><b>Earth, wind and fire ‘Gratitude’</b> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9nKTWkiWMHE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9nKTWkiWMHE</a></p>

		One more time and we got to say That the Good Lord gonna make a way	
30.11.20	Generosity and thankfulness	<p><b>Choral Christmas</b>  <b>Edward Benjamin Britten</b>, (22 November 1913 – 4 December 1976) was an English composer, conductor, and pianist. He was a central figure of 20th-century British music, with a range of works including opera, other vocal music, orchestral and chamber pieces  <b><i>A Ceremony of Carols, Op. 28</i></b>, is a choral piece by Benjamin Britten, scored for three-part treble chorus, solo voices, and harp. Written for Christmas, it consists of eleven movements, with text from <i>The English Galaxy of Shorter Poems</i>, edited by Gerald Bullett. The text is principally in Middle English, with some Latin and Early Modern English. The piece was written in 1942 while Britten was at sea, travelling from the United States to England.</p>	<p><b>Britten ceremony of carols ‘this little babe’</b>  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_Tux6tixN0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_Tux6tixN0</a></p>
7.12.20	Generosity and thankfulness	<p><b>Choral Christmas</b>  <b>Saint Lucy's Day</b>, also called <b>Lucia Day</b> or <b>the feast of Saint Lucy</b>, is a Christian feast day_ on 13 December. The observance commemorates Lucia of Syracuse who according to legend brought food and aid to Christians hiding in the Roman catacombs, wearing a candlelit wreath on her head to light her way and leave her hands free to carry as much food as possible. It is widely celebrated as a festival of light.<sup>[</sup>  Saint Lucy's Day is celebrated most widely in Scandinavia, where Lucy is called Santa Lucia. She is represented as a lady in a white dress, and a red sash (symbolizing the blood of her martyrdom), with a crown or wreath of candles on her head.</p>	<p><b>Santa Lucia</b> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i2-Q_ObdE-4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i2-Q_ObdE-4</a></p>

		In Norway, Sweden and Swedish-speaking regions of Finland, as songs are sung, girls dressed as Saint Lucy carry cookies and saffron buns in procession, which symbolizes bringing the Light of Christ into the world's darkness.	
<b>14.12.20</b>	<b>Generosity and thankfulness</b>	Pentatonix – our old favourites singing their Christmas hits!	<a href="#"><u>Mary did you know</u></a> <a href="#"><u>White winter hymnal</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Little drummer boy</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Deck the halls</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Silent night</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Joy to the world</u></a> <a href="#"><u>God rest you merry gentlemen</u></a> <a href="#"><u>O come all ye faithful</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Away in a Manger</u></a>