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Yes... Werneth Concert Youth Band has turned one. Nurtured with the care of Alan, Jane and the rest of the helpers the youth band has reached that crucial age. It started like an uncoordinated newborn child whose vocabulary consisted of

goo and gar, now it's talking and standing on its own two feet.

After playing in what were unpleasant conditions at the Hayfield Show, through the on and off (though mostly on) rain and the seemingly endless wind, we played very well and had an enjoyable day. In fact we played so well we were asked if we could play at a different event!



One of the main things for me about playing in the youth band is the friendly atmosphere. This cannot be summed up better than by Jack who plays Tenor Horn and Thomas who plays

first Clarinet.

"I have been a member of WYCB since the beginning. They play fun pieces which I can manage on my tenor horn. I have made lots of new friends. My brother and

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sister also play in the band and we enjoy the concerts. Alan and Jane and the other adults have been very helpful and always remember birthdays.” Jack aged 10

“The best thing about being part of the Werneth Concert Youth Band is being able to play with other members. We play a lot of exciting pieces of music, such as Queen, Neil Diamond and Pirates of the Caribbean. Every year we do a concert at Romiley Forum and play with Werneth Main Band. We are lucky because there are people to help us when we get stuck with some of the pieces. We start at 6:30 pm to 8:15 on Friday night with a break and a tuck shop as well.” Thomas aged 14

We are always happy when people help set up and take down before and after the Youth Band, especially with our percussion. We all send our thanks to Gareth who since joining all three of the Werneth bands, Concert, Swing and Youth, has consistently helped to set up and take down percussion.

We would like to congratulate all our new members who have settled in excellently and are playing well (Louis, Alice and Emily). On the same note of congratulation we would like anybody who passes a grade from now on to tell a helper at the rehearsals or via email so they get a mention in the next newsletter.

Remember to tell anyone you know who plays and instrument (ideally to grade 2 standard or above) that youth band rehearsals are at the **Overdale Centre, Powicke Drive, Romiley, SK6 3EF. 6:30 till 8:15.**

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You can come along at anytime even if it's not until the second half. You won't be the only one who does it.



This month's newsletter written/ assembled by Sam aged 13, Drummer and Percussionist