

# Bojana is thrilled with the support Welldon Park Primary School has offered her daughter in developing her music skills

Bojana and Nicola Lecca live in South Harrow with their children Sean, 11, Joseph, 6, in Year 2 and Chiara, 9, in Year 4.

#### No better choice

Bojana and Nicola initially chose Welldon Park Primary School because it was close to home and offered great facilities for their eldest son. "Being close to home meant it was very convenient and easy to walk to, but it also had a speech therapy provision which was very good for Sean who had some speech problems. We were very pleased with the school and everything it offered, so it made sense for Joseph and Chiara to attend too."

## **Excellent music provision**

There have been some recent changes at Welldon Park Primary School and these have resulted in some new introductions to the school. "For us as a family, the most impressive changes so far relate to the music provision. The variety of music lessons available has increased greatly. Joseph has spent Year 2 learning to play the violin which is wonderful and Chiara's talents have been well catered for. Chiara is quite musical and plays a number of instruments, including the drums, recorder and violin."

### Music scholarship

Chiara's lessons at school meant her teacher was able to identify her potential in music and particularly the violin. "She was successfully nominated for a Borough music scholarship. We are delighted!" explains Bojana. "The scholarship is for four years and allow her access to free music lessons and to visit the theatre to watch some inspiring musical events. She will also be joining the borough orchestra as part of the scholarship to develop her skills further and to gain confidence in performing. It's very exciting and we're very grateful to the school for their support and for the opportunity it gives to Chiara!"

# The importance of a second language

Bojana is also thrilled by the recent introduction of a French teacher; "I think it's so important to learn another language and something all children should do. I think the new dedicated French teacher adds an extra dimension and a new approach to the school's French lessons. Having a teacher who specifically focuses on teaching only French is a great opportunity for the children."

## Approachable and willing to listen

Bojana finds all the teachers to be very approachable. "They always make themselves available. If you have anything you need to discuss I have never had any difficulties. I feel they are quick to make themselves available and always have time to listen, which I think is very important," says Bojana.

## A friendly welcome

Another strength of Welldon Park for Bojana is the friendliness of the staff. "My two youngest children are

split between the first and second school and one stand out point for me is how welcoming and friendly the staff are on a morning. I think it's very good to see the staff on the playground welcoming the parents and the children.

"I've noticed that the Headteacher is always smiling and happy to see everyone. I think it shows her interest in the school and in the children. I like that she is visible to welcome families into school each day."

## Renewed energy and positive introductions

Bojana adds: "Welldon Park Primary School is a lovely school, with a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. The recent introduction of the new Headteacher means there has been some renewed energy and some positive introductions. The provision for music is really very good and we believe it's a particular asset. We feel they want the children to achieve the best they possibly can, wherever their strengths may lie."

## **Children say:**

**Joseph says:** "I like school because I get to learn new things every day."

**Chiara says:** "I really enjoy school because it offers me the chance to play music."







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