

# Travelling with Tuba

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May Stewart and Chris came to Radford with their instruments to help celebrate St George's Day



- The show opened with a flag-waving British procession before stepping back in time with two of the early invaders: the Vikings with the animal horn and the Romans with their Cornu.
- From the Tudor period they featured the Sackbut and Cornett playing a typical courtly dance. We then saw and heard the first type of Tuba, the snake-like Serpent originally used in the church.
- In the Industrial Revolution we saw how the valve developed with the unique valve machine. The Victorians performed music in their parlours; hear tunes from the time and see how they would have dressed.
- Finally they continued the patriotic theme in the tribute to 'The Last Night of the Proms' with an exploding Tuba!!

The first instrument Chris showed us  
was a cornu-a Roman instrument



Nyesha and Ibraheem had a go at  
blowing it-good effort from both of  
them





**Stewart was the main piano player.**





He also played an old pipe that the Victorians would have used





He told us about an unusual instrument known as a serpent.





Chris played it for us



**He told us more about his Tuba. The  
horn was so big Zain could put his  
head in it**



**Chris and Stewart showed how long the tubes would be if they were unravelled and then tried to blow it.**





# Zain had a go at blowing the long tube





**Zaiden became the conductor and  
Chris had to play slowly and then very  
fast.**



**Chris played his tuba to some of the teachers.**



# The tribute to 'The Last Night of the Proms' started with an exploding Tuba!!





Stewart conducted some of the children with a variety of instruments





**Chris played the tuba to end the concert with Rule Britannia.**



We all had time to practice with Chris and Stewart and then performed together and parents came to watch.













**We all had a great time!!**

