

Jamboree Concert

11 June 2005

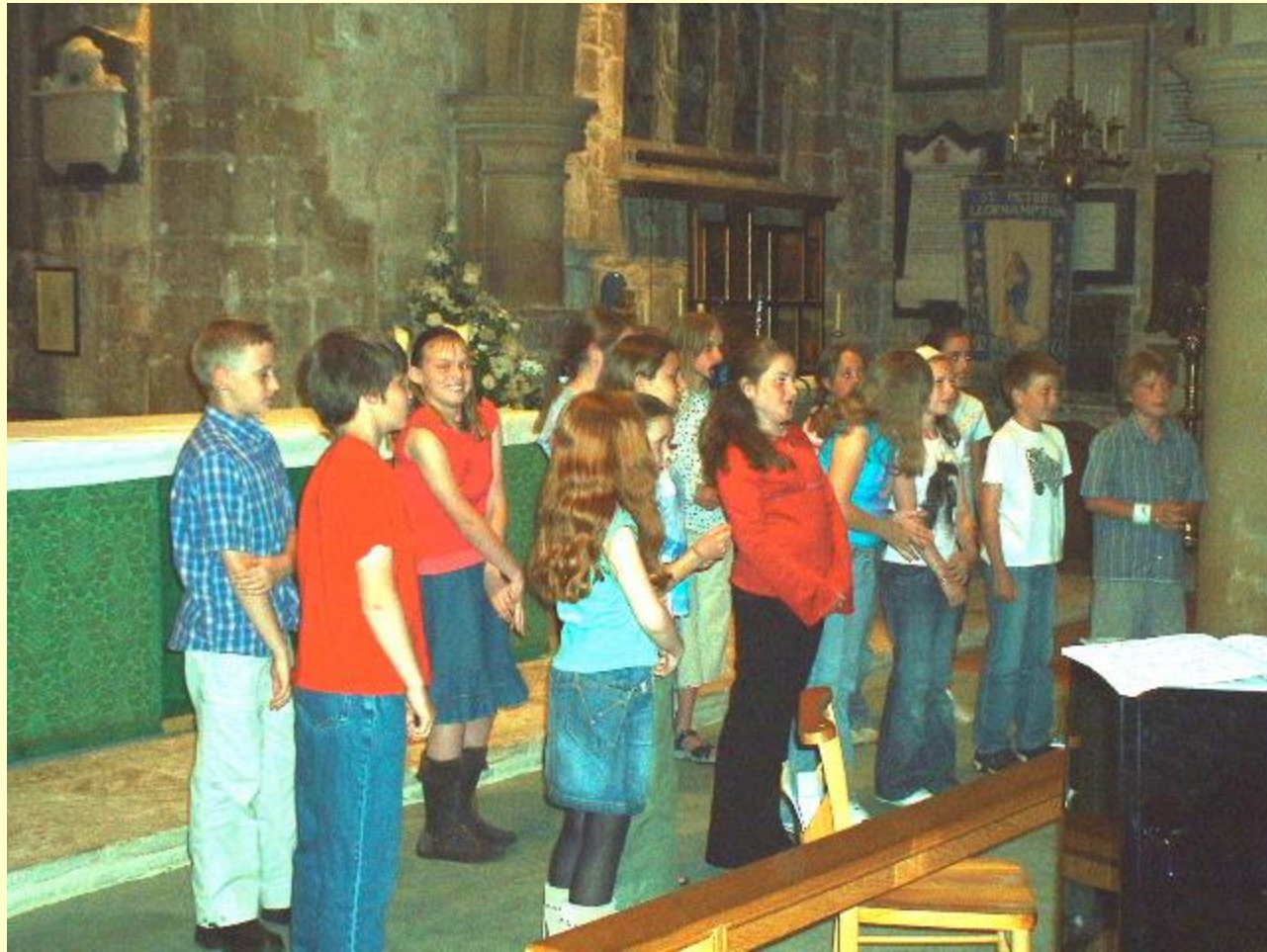
In aid of Church Charities and the
Rock Group

On 11 June there was a concert in the Church in aid of charities and to raise funds for the St Peter's Rock Group for young people. The concert featured soprano Melanie Smallwood singing a range of items from Haydn and Rachmaninov at one end to Cole Porter and Gershwin at the other, accompanied by St Peter's choirmaster John Clift on piano and organ. They were joined by distinguished classical guitarists Gilbert Biberian and Wendy Partridge, playing pieces by Molinaro and Granados and accompanying Melanie in songs by (among others) Giuliani, Villa Lobos and settings by Wendy herself.

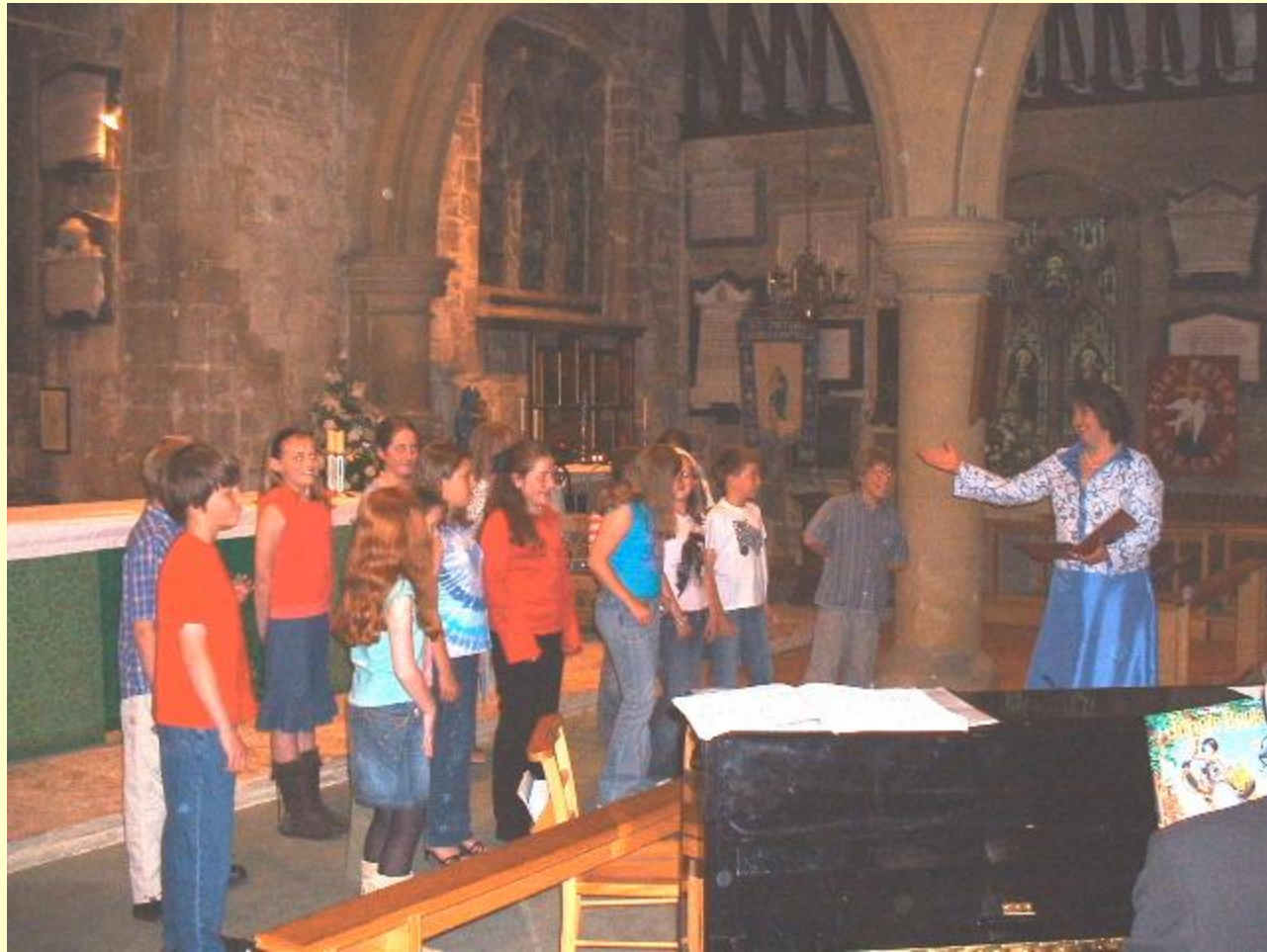
The Leckhampton Primary School Year 6 choir made positively their last appearance before they leave for their secondary schools, giving a delightful and enthusiastic performance which included audience participation. For the rest of the concert the children watched and listened appreciatively, coming to the front of the church to have the rare close-up experience of two international-standard guitarists in full flight.

For a complete change, the new (but perfectly formed) St Peter's Madrigal Group gave their first performance including works by Gibbons and Farmer.

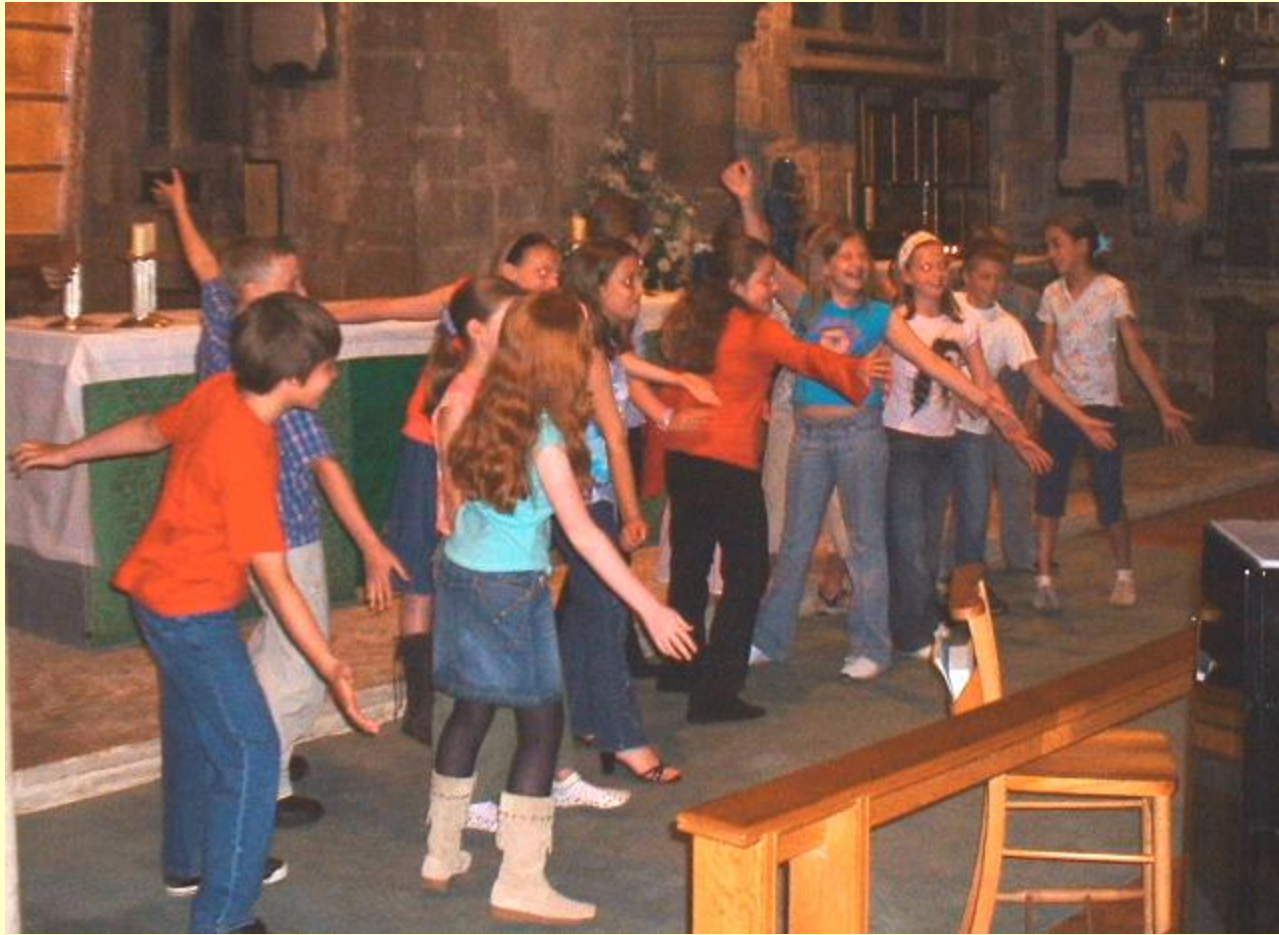
This well-attended event was organised by the St Peter's Social Committee, with a glass of wine and nibbles in the interval for the audience. Everyone - performers, audience, even the organisers! - seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. A very successful evening.



The Year 6 Choir ready to perform.



The choir and Melanie Smallwood



The choir really enjoying giving their performance.



All different kinds of music in St Peter's.



John Clift at the piano

Gilbert Biberian and
Wendy Partridge





Melanie Smallwood with Gilbert and Wendy