



## Tinkling the Ivories

Legendary British songwriter and local resident Bill Martin recently donated his own piano to Francis Holland School Sloane Square. The first British songwriter to compose a Eurovision Song Contest winner for the UK thanks to the fact he was the lyrical master behind *Puppet on a String* (to name just a few of his accomplishments), Bill Martin is a hugely influential character in the music business and many of his famous pieces were composed on this very piano, making it as much a collector's item as a musical instrument. Commenting on the generous donation, Headmistress of FHS girls' school Mrs Lucy Elphinstone said: "It is an immense honour to have an instrument with such a prestigious history for our budding pianists to enjoy."

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