

“PADDINGTON BEAR’S FIRST CONCERT”

WORDS : MICHAEL BOND - MUSIC : HERBERT CHAPPELL

Michael Bond’s story tells of Paddington’s journey from Peru to the Portobello Road and some of the friends he found there. Its climax comes with Paddington’s appearance on the platform of the Royal Albert Hall. The witty and attractive music illustrating the unfolding story is by Herbert Chappell.

“BABAR - THE LITTLE ELEPHANT”

WORDS : JEAN DE BRUNHOFF - MUSIC : FRANCIS POULENC

With words by Jean de Brunhoff and music by Francis Poulenc, this timeless, charming tale of Babar’s adventures has captivated all those who have heard it, since it was first performed in 1940.

“THE SNOWMAN”

WORDS AND MUSIC : HOWARD BLAKE

Howard Blake’s narrated musical story is offered as a Christmas project. This is probably the best known of all of these narrated musical tales and includes the popular song “Walking in the Air” which can become a group singing activity for all concerned !

Victoria & Clive’s *Workshop and School Presentations* usually feature one of these musical tales at their centrepiece - the stories are narrated by Victoria with accompanying trumpet and piano music. In an interactive session that includes an introduction to the trumpet and other members of the trumpet family, there is a wide selection of popular and entertaining music for the young.....and the young at heart !

Away from schools, *Babar - the little elephant* was presented at Lichfield’s Garrick Theatre in 2009 and 2010 sees performances of each of these three narrated musical tales out of a school setting. *Babar - the little elephant* at the Centre for Young Musicians in February, *Paddington Bear’s First Concert* at Alrewas Arts Festival in September and *The Snowman* at Worcester’s Countess of Huntingdon Hall in December.