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Minister of State in the Ministry of National Security, the Hon. Juliet Cuthbert-Flynn (right) shares a light moment with Principal of the Old Harbour High School, Lynton Weir (second right) during the handing-over ceremony of musical instruments to the school yesterday (May 27). Head Boy, Acado Brown and choir member Gianna Francis look on.

Striking the Chord against Crime: LIV GUD Campaign partners with All Together Sing

With the power of music being the catalyst, the Ministry of National Security, through its LIV GUD Anti-Violence Campaign continues to establish partnerships to aid in the disruption of school violence in Jamaica.

Through a partnership with TVJ's All Together Sing Competition, new musical instruments were presented to the Old Harbour High School during a handing over ceremony yesterday (May 27).

Speaking at the ceremony, Minister of State in the Ministry of National Security, the Hon. Juliet Cuthbert-Flynn declared that **“these instruments are more than tools for making music; they are weapons in our fight against crime.”**

She further added that **“by investing in music, we are investing in a future where our youth will choose harmony over violence.”**

The State Minister noted that music, sports and technology are key elements through which the Ministry aims to positively impact students.



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Minster Cuthbert-Flynn reaffirmed the Government of Jamaica’s commitment to supporting positive youth initiatives.

“We will continue to support initiatives that offer our youth both constructive and engaging alternatives to crime.” she reiterated.

Attributing the school’s low violence rate to the numerous extracurricular programmes, principal of the Old Harbour High School, Lynton Weir reinforced the importance of students to not only be competent in core curriculum subjects, but to develop soft skills that will influence positive behaviour.

He stated that **“It is very important for us to have students participating in extracurricular activities to further develop certain soft skills that are necessary to make them better citizens in society.”**

For the second consecutive year, the LIV GUD campaign has partnered with the TVJ’s All Together Sing competition to promote a safer and more harmonious Jamaica.

