



## Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August Panash Steel Orchestra



**Panash Steel Orchestra UK** was formed in 1983 at Mount View High School, Harrow. The school closed but their successful steel band continued as Panash. The original band achieved notable success and disbanded in 1989. Our current leader, Jay Butcher, took over the Panash name in 1990 whilst being the Steel Pan Tutor at Rooks Heath High School (now College), also in Harrow. In this line up the orchestra toured extensively around Europe and appeared on the festival circuit regularly. The band folded in 1996, due to members leaving for university and Jay returning home to South London to take over the Musical Direction for the Comets Steel Band. Jay spent 12 years arranging for the Comets and led them on two tours to Barbados, five Croydon Music Festival wins, two Met Police *Battle of the Bands* wins and 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the Notting Hill Junior Panorama and *Best steel band on the road* competitions.

Panash was reformed in 2008 by Jay and Varina, who have worked tirelessly promoting the Steel Pan and running classes for the community. We are also extremely proud of our close links to Stanford Primary School and undertake weekly hour long sessions for each year group in KS2 (years 3-6).

Panash transcends racial, social and class barriers to create an atmosphere of fun and learning for all.

[adapted from: <https://panashsteel-uk.com/>]

### **Food St Oswald's style**

At St Oswald's we enjoy offering hospitality to our guests and if you decide to have one of our food boxes, you can expect to enjoy a range of home cooked Caribbean and African dishes prepared by our team of cooks. Your food ticket will also entitle you to a soft drink.

What more could you want? Dinner prepared for you and served with a smile as you enjoy the wonderful steel orchestra!