

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear parent/ guardian,

RE- Arrangements for Young Voices concert.

As you know, on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025, we will be attending the Young Voices concert in Birmingham. The children have been working extremely hard since September, and I know they cannot wait to take part in the concert. Please ensure that you have read all the attached information and are confident of the plans for the day.

If you have any questions, please contact myself, or Mrs Ferdinando. The itinerary for the children on the day will be as follows:

- Leave school at 11.15am
- Doors open for schools at 1pm
- Schools need to be seated by 2pm
- Rehearsals start 2-5pm
- You will break for an hour 5-6pm
- Audience start arriving from 6pm
- Concert 7-8.45pm
- Children will arrive at Wilton Road carpark (across the road from Weatherspoons) at approximately 10.30pm

#### **Concert only (for Parents):**

- Doors open from 6pm
- Concert 7pm - 8.45pm

Whilst the concert is scheduled to finish at 8.45pm, please bear in mind that there will be a large number of schools attending, and leaving the arena will be staggered, and controlled by concert staff. With this in mind, we may have to wait a little while before we are able to return to our coach to come home. This may also be the case for adults leaving the venue- patience will be key.

#### **Children will need to bring with them:**

- 2 packed lunches- one for lunch and one for dinner (If a child is entitled to free school meals, they are entitled to a packed lunch from school, but they will need to bring their own dinner).
- Plenty to drink throughout the day (water and squash are fine, please no fizzy pop).

Children may also bring extra snacks with them if they wish, and they may want to bring a fiddle/puzzle book/ reading book. Please be aware though that children will need to be able to carry anything they bring in a backpack as staff will not be able to carry anything for them.

## Children should wear:

- Dark trousers (these can be school trousers, but their PE jogging bottoms or leggings are recommended for comfort!)
- A white t-shirt (if they have not opted to buy one of the Young Voices t-shirts. YV t-shirts will be given out on the day)
- A school jumper (this is essential as it helps us to identify our own children at the event- **please do not send them in their own clothes**)
- A coat (again, this is essential as it will be very cold when they leave the venue)

Mrs Ferdinando and I will liaise with class teachers to ensure all medication is in order, but if your child has any medical needs the school are not already aware of, or you are aware that any medication may be coming to the end of its use by date, please ensure this is all in order before Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January.

**Please make sure that all coach money has been paid to the office 13<sup>th</sup> January latest.**

May I take this opportunity to say how proud we are of the hard work the children have put in and thank you for your support at home- I am sure by now you know the songs as well as we do! Looking forward to seeing many of you at the concert. I would also like to thank all the staff that have supported the children with their rehearsals and the team. We can't wait for the concert day to arrive.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Evans

(Assistant Head)