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Young Voices – YR 5 **Concert date: Monday 20th January 2025**

Year 5 participation in Young Voices 2025

We are delighted and excited to inform you that, as part of our Year 5 music curriculum this year, we intend to take the children to **Young Voices 2025**, an amazing children's choir concert being held at the O2 Arena in London on Monday 20th January 2025.

Young Voices www.youngvoices.co.uk has been organising and hosting large-scale children's choir concerts since 1997, offering children from all over the country the chance to come together and sing songs that they have rehearsed in their schools to create an amazing sound and electric atmosphere. In January, we will have the chance to join around 7,000 other children to perform a medley of fun and fantastic songs in front of an audience and it promises to be an unforgettable event. We took the Year 5 class in January 2024 and many of them have since cited the concert as one of their highlights of the entire year!

Preparation

Throughout the Autumn Term, we will be rehearsing the songs (with dance moves!) in our scheduled music lessons, so that we are fully prepared for the event. We are very keen to take all children with us to the concert so they can enjoy this amazing experience.

On the day

We will travel to London by coach, leaving school at around 10.30am to give us time to rehearse with the full choir before the performance at 7pm. The concert will finish at 8.45pm and we hope to be back at school by approximately 11pm. Although this is a late night, we will give the children the chance to come into school a little later the following day to allow them extra sleep time.

What do the children wear?

Children should wear a Young Voices t-shirt (see below for more information about how to purchase) or a plain white t-shirt. On the bottom half they should wear normal uniform or navy/black leggings, tracksuit bottoms and trainers or school shoes. Please ensure your child also has a coat.

What bag does my child need to bring?

A small rucksack, (or plastic bag – that can be disposed of) which contains your child's food and water.

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Costs

Please see below details of registration of your child, t-shirt purchase and audience tickets.

You pay these costs directly to young voices (This is different from previous years.)

We invite you to pay a contribution of £41.98 to the school for the cost of the coach to and from the event and for your child to attend the event. This can be paid on-line via Scopay by **Friday 29th November**. If you are unable to contribute for any reason, please speak to Mrs. Buckley in confidence.

IMPORTANT ACTIONS

You are invited to join the **Young Voices Music Room** via link below. Here you will be able to:

1. Purchase your audience tickets to go and watch the concert (you do not need to purchase a ticket for your child singing in the choir).
2. Purchase a young voices T-shirt of the correct size.
3. Add your child to the music room for at home practice of the songs and dance moves (this also acts as permission for your child to attend)

<https://yvmusicroom.com/auth/parent/register-referral?code=MTAwNjAvMTcyNjQ5NDY0OA%3D%3D>

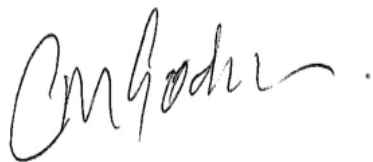
Please be aware that audience tickets and T-shirts sell very quickly so please do this as soon as you get the link and by the 20th October at the latest.

T-shirts will be sent directly to the school and we will distribute them to the children. We will receive your audience tickets digitally and email them to you.

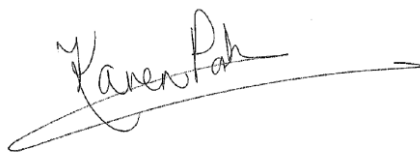
Further information will come out nearer the time of the event.

Any questions regarding parent registration please contact admin2@stmarys-godalming.surrey.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Chris Godwin
Music Teacher



Mrs Karen Porter
Year 5 Class Teacher

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