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"Barnabas, the Encourager"

YOUNG VOICES CONCERT – TUESDAY 16TH JANUARY 2018 IMPORTANT INFORMATION

15th December 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

We are making the final arrangements for the Young Voices concert and the children are very excited about it. Please read the information below carefully and **return the attached contact details form before the end of term if possible and by Tuesday 9th January at the latest.**

What to wear

Children should wear their school uniform bottoms and jumper/cardigan. If you ordered a Young Voices T-shirt for your child, we give them to the children to put on before they set off on the day. We will also give out other torches / wristbands. If you didn't order a t-shirt, children should wear a plain white t-shirt (no logos). They should also wear a warm coat as they have to walk to/from the coach park to the arena.

What to bring (including food)

Children should not bring mobile phones/cameras or other items.

We will be leaving school just after 10:30am so please send children with a packed early lunch that they will eat at school at about 10am. This should include a snack to eat on arrival at the arena.

They should also bring a packed tea that they will eat between 5-6pm. Glass bottles are not permitted. Children should bring at least 2 drinks, one of which should be a sports bottle of water that they can sip from when singing.

Bags should be as small as possible for security reasons.

Timings

The children will be aiming to arrive at the arena for 1:30pm and will spend from 2pm – 5pm rehearsing. The concert will begin at 7pm and end at 9:15pm. At the end of the concert, children will go directly to their coach and will not have chance to meet or be collected by parents as this will take a very long time and delay us leaving.

All children will be taken back to school and should be collected from there.

Arrival at school is likely to be at approximately 10:45pm.

It is important that we know who will be collecting your child and if this person will be attending the concert. If the same person is collecting the children/coming to the concert, might be helpful to have a back up plan in case you get delayed.

Please put 2 contacts for this day/night on the attached form in case of emergency.

Staff members accompanying the children are, Mr Hazeldine, Miss Connolly, Mrs Lennon and myself.

If you are coming to see the concert....

We will send out any tickets that you ordered via us as soon as they arrive.

You may like to download the Young Voices app which has a 'find my child' function, telling you exactly where your child is sitting.

All parents (at the concert or not) can view any photos that we take in the secure photo area of the app. To download the app go to <http://www.youngvoicesapp.co.uk/>

Then enter the code PAR21697

This is a fantastic opportunity for children to sing in a huge arena with thousands of other children and I'm sure they will enjoy it. It will be a long and tiring day so please make your children aware of this. We will be reminding them of the importance of excellent behaviour and following instructions at all times so please also remind them of this.

The next day

As children may be tired after their late night, children can arrive at school upto 10:30am without receiving a late mark however we will need to be informed by 9:30am if your child is having a hot dinner on this day so please contact school to let us know.

There are a lot of songs to learn and children are not able to have word sheets so please help them at home to learn the songs well as they will enjoy the concert so much more if they feel confident with the songs. These can be accessed via

<https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/childrens-music-room>

Then enter the access code: YVConcerts2018

Choir Performance at School

The choir will perform a couple of their songs at Celebration Assembly on Friday 19th January. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me or Mr Hazeldine.

Best wishes

Miss K Boardman
Headteacher

Checklist of what children should bring:

- Packed (early) lunch to eat at school if not having school dinner
- Packed tea and 2 drinks including a sports bottle of water
- School uniform with either Young Voices t-shirt or plain white t-shirt
- Coat
- No mobile phones or cameras or money
(bear in mind that whatever children bring will need to be stored under their seat)

Remember to return the attached form by Tuesday 9th January at the latest please.

NB If you have not yet returned your child's original permission slip, another one is also attached to this form. Your child will not be able to attend the concert if the permission / contact forms have not been returned.