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Dear Parents and Carers of KS2 children,

O2- 'Young Voices Concert' and Singing Club

We are pleased to say that subject to Covid guidance, children in Years 3,4,5 and 6 are invited to join a Singing Club which will take place in school every Thursday from 3.20 pm - 4.30 pm in the school hall. Although not compulsory, members of this club will also have opportunity to participate in the 25th Year Anniversary Young Voices concert at the O2 arena which is likely to be Thursday 13th January 2022. This is a fantastic experience whereby not only do the children perform alongside other children and also get to sing with soloists which, in the past, have included Tony Hadley, Stacey Solomon, Alexandra Burke and Joss Stone. Video footage can be seen on www.youngvoices.co.uk. We would thoroughly recommend a look before dismissing this letter!

THE SONGS This year's repertoire includes a medley of Beatles Songs, a Muppets Medley, Lion King Medley, Power in Me and a current pop medley.

REHEARSALS AND CONCERT

Children will need to attend regular weekly rehearsals with Mrs Julier and these will be held after school every Thursday (3.20 pm – 4.30 pm) until the concert date in January. **First rehearsal will be Thursday 9th September 2021.** Please try to ensure they always attend unless they are unwell or have an appointment which cannot be avoided. There are a lot of songs to learn which is tricky if children do not turn up.

WHAT ARE THE COSTS INVOLVED?

The only compulsory (non-refundable) cost is your child's seat on the coach. This price will be calculated once we know how many children are going and what size coach we need to order. (Other years, this was between £15-£20.) Although not compulsory, **most** children wear the official Young Voices T-shirt which costs £12. If you would like your child to participate but have concerns regarding payment, please contact the school office.

EXTRA COSTS WHICH ARE NOT COMPULSORY:

If you as a parent or relative, wish to come and watch the concert, then you will need to purchase tickets which are £23 approx. Although this may seem quite expensive, this is cheap considering the prices people would normally pay to see a concert at the O2. You **do not** need to buy a ticket for your child to take part, however, parents at previous concerts said it is definitely worth seeing.



WHAT TO DO NEXT:

Please return the consent form below by Monday 6th September. At the end of the first rehearsal (on 9th September), we will send a letter home which will ask if your child is DEFINITELY going to take part. We will also request at a non-refundable deposit to cover your child's travel. This will be no more than £20. There will also be another form to order parent tickets and a commemorative T-shirt if you so wish.

Many thanks and best wishes for a Happy Summer Holiday.

Yours sincerely

K Julier

Mrs K Julier

PS. If your child wants to start learning the songs during the summer holidays, please google Young Voices Music Room, <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/music-room> then enter the school's access code which is YV2021.

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Name of Pupil Year Group.....

By signing this consent, you agree that.....

I/We would like my child to join Singing Club on Thursdays at 3.15-.4.20pm and I/we would like him/her to take part in the Young Voices Concert at the O2.

- I/we understand that the coach seat will be non-refundable if our child later decides he/she does not want to take part after the school has booked the coach.

Parent signature..... Date

NB If you want your child to join Singing Club but NOT sing in the Young Voices Concert at the O2, please tick the following box and sign next to it.

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