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## YOUNG VOICES CHILDREN'S CHOIR AND CONCERT

Dear Parents and Carers,

In line with our school vision of having ambition and aiming high, we are funding an exciting and unique opportunity for pupils to take part in a Young Voices concert. The Young Voices Foundation has been providing primary school children with access to high quality music making experiences for over 29 years. It is currently the largest children's choir concert in the world, with children performing in events up and down the United Kingdom.

We have arranged for our children to take part in the Young Voices concert at Resorts World Arena in Birmingham on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025**. Children and staff will travel by coach from our Orchard site to the venue around midday, take part in the rehearsal in the afternoon, followed by the concert at **7:00pm**. After the concert, all children and staff will travel by coach back to Orchard site where they are to be collected by parents. Due to the size of the event children will not be permitted to leave the venue early or with family, but must be collected from school when they return at approximately **10:00pm**. We are pleased to confirm that as a school we will be fully funding the cost of the coach for this event, meaning there is no parental contribution required on this occasion.

In order to prepare for the concert, Mrs Gill will be running an afterschool choir club for those attending. This will run every Friday after school, until **4:10pm**, starting from **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**. Children wishing to take part in the concert in February must be able to attend the choir club as during the club the children will learn and practice their songs and dance moves ready for their performance. In order to support the running of the choir club we are asking parents for a contribution of **50p per child per week**, this will be payable via Parentpay.

The choir will be open to pupils across Years 5 and 6, however places are limited to 30, should your child wish to take part their place must be confirmed on Parentpay by no later than Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you require help in setting up your ParentPay account please contact the School Office on 01283 247420.

Being part of the Young Voices choir will be an unforgettable experience, children will gain new skills and make memories in a choir with up to 9,000 other young voices, all coming together in an impressive venue. Should you wish to watch your child in the performance, adult tickets will be available at a later date, once pupil attendance has been confirmed. A letter will be sent out in due course for you to purchase your tickets, these will be approximately £25.00 per ticket, however prices are still to be confirmed by the venue. If you would like to find out more about young voices foundation you can visit their website www.youngvoices.co.uk.

We look forward to supporting our first Samuel Allsopp choir.

Yours sincerely,

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