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YOUNG VOICES (YV) CONCERT 2022

Dear Parents,

Thank you for expressing an interest in your child taking part in this year's Young Voices Concert. May I take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Miss Bland and I am the PPA teacher/Music Co-ordinator at Westfields Junior School. One of my aims in my role is to provide opportunities for the pupils to perform beyond their immediate community. Therefore, I am excited to announce that Year 5 children will have the opportunity to perform in the O2 arena in London!

On Thursday 20th January 2022, the 'Young Voices' concert is planned to take place at the O2 Arena in London. For the past 25 years, Young Voices has staged the largest children's choir concerts in the world. Each night between 5,000-8,000 children perform as a single choir to a sold-out audience of family and friends.

This year we are giving the opportunity to Year 5 pupils from Westfields Junior School to take part in the concert. Ideally, we would like as many pupils as possible to take part as it is such a fantastic opportunity! As there are over a dozen songs to learn, children who wish to participate must commit to attending weekly rehearsals every Wednesday from 3.15pm – 4.15pm in the Hall, commencing Wednesday 29th September.

The children will travel to the O2 from school in the morning and will rehearse during the day. They will eat both lunch and tea at the O2 (both meals will be packed lunches provided by parents). The evening concert will start at approximately 7.00pm and finish at around 9.15pm.

Before making a decision, please be aware that there may be some costs involved and because of these costs there will be no cost towards rehearsal time. The children are required to wear a YV t-shirt for the concert (priced at £12 each) or alternatively their own plain white t-shirt. In addition, tickets for parents/relatives can also be purchased (priced at £23 per ticket) although this is not compulsory. There will also be a fee for the coach to and from the O2 (priced at approximately £15.00 each, however this is dependent on numbers). Details regarding payment and ordering of t-shirts and tickets will follow in a separate letter, which you will receive next week.

Please note that due to large numbers of children and families exiting the O2 after the concert, parents/guardians will be unable to collect their children from the O2. The children will return to school on the coach with staff as the children's safety is our priority.

If your child would like to take part, please complete the [Young Voices google form](#) giving permission by **Tuesday 28th September 2021** at the latest. Unfortunately, there are restricted spaces for this opportunity, therefore places will be allocated in order of response.

Please note final numbers cannot be changed after these dates as YV have a strict deadline.

If you have any questions regarding the concert, please do not hesitate to contact me for more details. Alternatively, please look at the YV website (www.youngvoices.co.uk).

Many thanks,

Miss Bland
Music Co-ordinator

Mr Chaplin
Year 5 Team Leader

Miss Taylor
Class Teacher

Mr Frame
Class Teacher

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