



23 January 2017

Dear parents/carers

Year 5 Young Voices Concert at the O2 - Tuesday 7 February 2017

As its now just over two weeks to the concert we'd like to inform you of the practical arrangements for the day. If you have ordered parent tickets to watch the concert these are now awaiting your collection from the school office as we require a parent signature. Please take care of them and **remember to take them with you to the concert** or you will NOT be admitted! The doors of the Arena open at 6:00pm, the concert starts at 7:00pm and finishes at 9:15pm. We have spare tickets for this concert and are offering them to parents at a reduced price. If you are interested in a ticket please call the school office.

Children should arrive at school for registration as normal on Tuesday 7 February. The coach with the Year 5 pupils will leave Thomas Coram at approximately 10:30am.

We expect the coach to return to school by 11:30-45pm. As I am sure you will appreciate, it is hard to gauge an exact arrival time as this is dependent on how long it takes the coach to get out of the car park and the traffic leaving the O2! We will use Twitter to keep you updated during the day and on our return journey. However, if this time differs by more than 30 minutes either side, then a group text will be sent out to advise you of the change.

At the end of the concert the choir will be dismissed after the audience has dispersed and we will return to the coach. Under no circumstances are Year 5 children able to return with their parents.

Your child will need to bring a suitable healthy full packed lunch, sufficient drink for the day and a sizeable tea to see them through the evening to have before the concert. The children will need to wear black trousers/skirt with dark socks/tights with their concert t-shirt, which will be given out on the day, and comfortable dark shoes/trainers and a lightweight waterproof coat. No white trainers or white socks please. Please ensure that long hair is tied back neatly.

Year 5 children, and any siblings, have permission to arrive at school at 10:30am on the following day, Wednesday 8 February, if they need to sleep in after their late night. Any late arrival will be an authorised absence. Please return the slip below by **Friday 27 January** indicating whether your child and any siblings will be arriving at 10:30am and if they require a hot school lunch.

Charity Donations

Young Voices will be supporting Nordoff Robbins, a music therapy charity dedicated to transforming the lives of vulnerable children and adults. They will be collecting donations at the end of every concert if parents would like to donate. They are also asking children to bring a tin of food to the concert which will be donated to Fareshare, a national award winning charity that distributes food to the homeless.

I'm sure you'd like to join with me to thank Miss Walker, Miss Griffin and Mr Phelan for all their hard work preparing the children for the concert and giving up their free time to accompany them on the night

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Briscoe

Music Co-ordinator

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Name of child..... Class..... Requires a hot school lunch

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My child(ren) will be attending school on Wednesday 8 February at morning break (10:30am)

✓ Please indicate as appropriate

Signed.....parent/carer