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Friday January 5th 2017

Young Voices 2017
Friday January 27th 2017

Dear Parents

The last three dates for Young Voices Choir rehearsals are Tuesday January 10th, 17th and 24th. It is very important that all children attend all three of these rehearsals, as we have lots of songs to learn off by heart! YV Choir club will end after the Birmingham concert, so children are free to join other clubs during the Spring Term.

The Young Voices Concert on Friday January 27th starting at 7.00 pm at Birmingham Genting Arena is now not far away. Hopefully, we will receive the tickets, T-shirts and torches very soon.

I am writing to let you know the arrangements for the day. We will be leaving school at approximately 12.00 noon on Friday January 27th. We need to arrive at the arena by 1.30 pm to be ready for a rehearsal from 2.15 – 5.00 pm with all the other choirs. The children then have an hour for tea and a break before the concert starts at 7.00 pm. The concert should end by approximately 9.15 pm.

Food

I have checked with the kitchen and children can order a hot dinner instead of having a packed lunch if they prefer – this will be ready by 11.30 am. Please complete the slip at the bottom of the form and return to order a dinner.

ALL children will need to bring a packed tea. *If children are not having a hot dinner they will need to bring a packed lunch AND a packed tea.* Please send a packed lunch in a carrier bag that can be disposed of when finished. Children will need to bring a back-pack to carry their packed tea and drinks for the day. PLEASE ensure that drinks are in plastic bottles (glass bottles are not permitted in the arena.

Please ensure your child has plenty to eat and drink, as this will be a long day.

The children will keep their coats and bags with them and store under their designated seats.

Dress Code

- Young Voices T-shirt
- School Sweat shirt or cardigan (children will remove their sweatshirt prior to the start of the concert)
- Dark trousers or skirts (i.e School uniform trousers or skirts or black leggings)
- School shoes
- Coat and ruck-sac

After the concert

Please note that all children MUST be collected from SCHOOL following the event and not from the arena. Parents are not allowed into the arena after the event to collect children. At the end of the show we will make our way back to the coach and meet parents back at school.

It is very difficult to say what time we will arrive back at school. As a rough estimate, I would think we should return between 10.45 and 11.00 pm.

Video cameras

No video cameras are allowed into the arenas and will be confiscated by the arena.

Tins for charity

We are requested by the organisers to ask if your child could bring with them a tin (soup, meat, fish, veg) on the day of the concert. This will be collected when the children arrive at the arena by FareShare, a national award winning charity that collect and distribute items of food to the homeless. Last year 6 tonnes of food was collected and benefited 240 local community organisations.

Tiny torches

The official YV tiny torches are the only type of torches allowed in the arena. They have a protected bulb for safety and have no beam. Torches with beams destroy the starlight effect and will be confiscated. Please note glowsticks or any other lighting equipment are not permitted at the concert.

Parking

Parents should make their own way to the arena for the evening concert. Please visit the Young Voices website and the Birmingham LG Arena website for more information on parking and the location of suitable car parks affiliated to the arena.

Finally, if you have any further questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to come and ask. It should be a great concert and an amazing experience for the children!

Yours sincerely

Miss S. King
Head Teacher

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Name of pupil: _____ Class: _____

My child would like a hot dinner on Friday January 27th 2017.

Please tick dinner choice:

Fishwich with Chips	
Veggie Hot dog with chips	
Jacket potato with beans	

Signed: _____ (Parent / Carer)