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Grow Together Shine Forever

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Dear Parents / Carers,

As you may know the choir are working hard to learn songs for the Young Voices Concert at the Genting Arena, Birmingham on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019** where they will be part of a choir of over 5,000 children and professional musicians performing in a stunning arena concert.

We would like to make it possible for **all** the children in the choir to be part of this incredible event so this year we have tried to keep the costs as low as possible.

We are planning to take the children to the venue by coach departing school at 10.30am to arrive at Genting Arena by 1.30pm for an afternoon rehearsal. The concert starts at 7pm finishing at 9.15pm when we will start our return journey. Last year we got back to school just before midnight.

If you would like your child to attend the Young Voices Concert we do need to ask you for a voluntary contribution of £26.00 per child to cover the cost of the transport to and from the Arena. If we do not receive enough voluntary contributions we will not be able to take the children to the concert. Please pay via your Parent Pay account by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

## **Optional Parent Tickets**

Young Voices is a Charity which raises money by selling tickets to parents who would like to see their children perform. Your children will have an amazing experience in any event, but if you would also like to come and be part of the concert please fill in the attached Parent Ticket Order Form, return to the school office and pay £20.00 per ticket via your Parent Pay account by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Unfortunately, we are not able to take parents on the coach with us so you will need to make your own way to the Genting Arena if you are planning to attend the concert. After the concert, due to the requirements stated by the Genting Arena, your child will be required to go back to school on the coach. You will be able to collect your child from school when the coach arrives back - this applies to all parents, including those who are attending the concert.

## **Optional Young Voices T-Shirt and Torch**

Children are required to wear any dark coloured skirt or trousers with a plain white T-shirt or the official Young Voices T-shirt. There is no requirement for anyone to wear the official T-shirt and Mrs Goodger, Miss Kettell and Mrs Howley will be wearing a plain white T-shirt on the day. If, however, your child would like the Young Voices T-shirt please complete your order on the attached T-shirt Order Form and hand it in to school office, also making your payment of £12 per T-shirt on Parent Pay by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. We will receive the shirts at school a few weeks before the concert. This Year all T-shirt orders come with a Charity Wristband and Tiny Torch (see below).

## Tiny Torches

Children are encouraged to bring a tiny battery operated torch to add to the excitement of the lighting effects in the arena. Torches must have a protected bulb for safety and be tiny with no beam. Torches with beams destroy the starlight effect and will be confiscated! If you have ordered a T-shirt for your child it will come with a tiny torch. Otherwise your child my may wish to bring his or her own small torch to the concert with them.

In summary:

<u>Parent Tickets and Young Voices T-Shirt/Torch orders</u> must be paid for via Parent Pay and forms completed and returned to the school office by <u>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November</u>

Payments for coach transport must be paid via Parent Pay by Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November and your consent reply slip returned to the school office.

Unfortunately, due to the Genting Arena deadlines, any order forms received after the timescales stated above will be returned to parents.

Please see reply slip attached.

Thank you for all of your support,

Mrs Sara Boyce Headteacher











