

YOUNG VOICES

30th JANUARY 2020



The Young Voices concert is drawing near and the excitement is building!

Choir

On Thursday 30th, the children need to come to school in their own clothes. Please bring a pair of dark trousers (T-shirts will be arriving soon for them to change in to!) We will be changing **after** the afternoon rehearsal and tea. Supervising staff are Mrs White, Mrs Walton, Mr McQuillan, Gillian Morris & Pat Mitchell.

I appreciate that this will be a very long day for the children. We are therefore prepared to authorise a late arrival at school on Thursday morning for choir members if you, as the parent, feel it is appropriate for your child. However, **all** children will be expected to be in school by **10:30am**. We will also authorise a late arrival on the Friday 31st January, again if you, as the parent, feel it is necessary.

The children need to bring a packed lunch **and** a packed tea in a rucksack. The choir and teachers travelling on the coach will be leaving school at approximately 11:15am. Children will be eating lunch on the coach. There is a tea break at 5pm after the rehearsal. Please make sure that your child has **at least two non-fizzy drinks** with them. Singing can be quite dehydrating and there is a long rehearsal in the afternoon. Space is limited at the arena so the children really must bring just one bag. Please see Manchester Arena restrictions below.

AHEAD OF YOUR VISIT WE ASK ALL CONCERTGOERS CHECK AND ADHERE TO THE BELOW GUIDELINES.

Only bring essential items. Please keep belongings to a minimum.

PERMITTED



Small bags, including handbags (under 40cm x 35cm x 19cm*)



Drawstring or pump bags (under 40cm x 35cm x 19cm*) of course our JD merch bags are permitted

*approximately the size of an A3 sheet of paper

NOT PERMITTED



No backpacks of any size



No large bags, including shopping bags, over 40cm x 35cm x 19cm*

*approximately the size of an A3 sheet of paper

Please note, there are no temporary storage facilities for non-permitted bags within the venue and it will be left to the patron to find a safe temporary facility to hold the item.

The venue will not be responsible for late admission or non-admission as a result of this policy.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION.



If your child is prone to travel sickness please make sure that they have the appropriate medicine for the outward journey. Travel sickness tablets for the return journey should be put in a named envelope and given to the School Office before departure. If your child suffers from asthma, please could you ensure that they carry an inhaler with them.

Audience

The concert starts at 7pm and the doors open at 6pm. Seats are allocated and the details are on your tickets (still some to collect from office).

One spare audience ticket has become available. If you are able to use it, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Parents Coach

Sarah Briggs (Annie & Emily's Mum) has very kindly organised a 24 seater coach for parents leaving at 4pm. There are a few seats still available. The cost per seat will be £15.00. Please come to office for more information & to book a place.

Everyone!

The concert ends at approximately 9pm. At the end of the concert, staff at the Arena will not allow children to be taken by parents and we will not be allowed to leave until the audience has dispersed. Consequently, parents should return to their coach or cars and make their way back to Burneside. The school coach will set off back to school as soon as possible.

The children have worked extremely hard and I am confident that we are all in for a truly memorable evening.

Many thanks for your support.

TIMETABLE

10.30am	all choir children to be in school with 2 packed meals, plenty of drinks and black trousers
11am	school coach leaves
12.30	arrive at Manchester arena for lunch
1.30	venue doors open
2.15	rehearsals start
4pm	parent's coach leaves school
6pm	get ready for the concert
7pm	YOUNG VOICES concert commences
9pm	approx. end of concert
11pm	approx. children return to school for collection

Please find enclosed your concert tickets.

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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

We recommend that you either photocopy each ticket or make a note of all the details such as Block, Row and Seat number in case somebody loses their tickets.

PLEASE NOTE - MANCHESTER ARENA DO NOT PERMIT BACKPACKS OF ANY SIZE OR LARGE BAGS YOU WILL BE SCREENED UPON ARRIVAL. For info: <http://www.manchester-arena.com/your-visit/>

CONCERT TIMES

Start **7pm**. Finish **9pm**. Please arrive in good time for increased entrance security.

TICKETS

If you require any further tickets (subject to availability) call the **Arena Box Office on: 0844 847 8000** (0161 950 5229 - Disabled Access Line)

PARKING

<http://www.manchester-arena.com/accessibility/arriving-at-the-venue/>

MERCHANDISE

Programmes are available to purchase on the night for £5.00 credit card or cash is accepted. Your school will be listed in the programme. Other merchandise can be purchased at the arena stands. DVDs of the concert can be ordered through your school as part of a bulk school order.

VIDEO CAMERAS

Video equipment and SLR cameras with removable large lenses are strictly prohibited in the arena. Please bring binoculars so you can spot your child in the choir.

END OF SHOW

Please make your way to the exits as soon as the concert has finished.

For information about the concert visit: youngvoices.co.uk

