



8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Ettington Church of England  
Primary School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a wonderful break and enjoyed the festivities. I also hope as the children are returning to school, that they are very much looking forward to the Young Voices Concert which is in just two weeks time.

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019 all of the children in classes 5 and 6 (which make our Young Voices Choir), will be off to take part in what will hopefully be a memorable experience for all. Here are the arrangements for the day and the concert itself, so that everyone is clear of what the day entails and what the children will need to bring with them.

Please can the children come to school wearing their school uniform apart from their tops, which should be their Young Voices t-shirt (if they have one from previous years) or a plain white one? If they do not have a plain top their white school top will be fine. They will also need **2 packed lunches (NO NUTS PLEASE)**, as we will be having tea at the arena before the concert. Please ensure the 2<sup>nd</sup> packed lunch is in a named carrier bag, and that they have a water bottle which can be refilled at the Arena when needed. Water bottles are essential as the children will be using their voices continually throughout the day and need to stay hydrated.

We will be leaving school at approximately 12 pm. At 13:30 Choirs will be allowed entrance to the Arena, where they will have lunch and will be shown to their seats. At 14:15 the rehearsal starts and will finish at around 17.00. At this time there will be a one hour break to eat tea, use the toilets, and stretch legs. At **18:00** – the Arena opens for parents with the concert beginning at **19:00**. At **21:15 approximately** the Concert ends.

The children will not need to bring any money with them as there will not be an opportunity to buy any merchandise, but if parents would like to purchase items before the concert, they are most welcome.

As an important part of their concert is the fundraising for charities, Young Voices would also like the children to bring a tin of food to the concert. FareShare, the national award winning charity, will then collect the food and distribute the items to the homeless.

We understand that our concert makes for a late evening and everyone is keen to get home as quickly as they can. Therefore, at the end of the concert **ALL of the children will be returning back to school on the coach**, where parents will be able to collect. Parents who are at the concert need to return to school as soon as possible to collect their children and any parents who are not attending will need to be at school by 10.15pm. **PLEASE HOWEVER BE PREPARED TO WAIT IF THE COACH IS DELAYED.**

We are sure this event will be a wonderful experience for all involved.

Kind regards

  
Mrs Kemp