

Young Voices (Wednesday 31st January 2024)

Dear parent/carers,

As I'm sure you are aware, the Young Voices concert is only in a few weeks and the big night is nearly upon us! I just wanted to remind you of some of the expectations for the day, as well as some finer details you should know to make sure it goes as smoothly as possible.

The Big Day (Wednesday 31st January)

Children will come into school at the usual time. The timetable for the day is as follows:

- 10am** – snack, reminder of timetable and expectations for the day, toilets
- 11am** – board coach to go to O2 Arena
- 12-12.30pm** – arrive at O2 Arena, alight coach to head into arena, toilets, lunch
- 1pm** – enter venue, get seated – refill bottles and toilet breaks as required
- 2pm** – rehearsals begin
- 5pm** – 'tea break' – have snack, go to toilet, refill water bottles
- 6.30pm** – 'tea break' finishes, return to seats, prep for concert
- 7-8.45pm** – Young Voices concert
- 9pm** – head back to coach
- 9.30-9.45** – coach to depart for school
- 10.45-11** – coach return to school, parents/carers to collect children

Food and Drink

As it is going to be a very long day/evening out for our children, it is vitally important that they can feed and hydrate themselves throughout.

For **all** children, the school will provide a snack to have at **10am** and a packed lunch to take with them – parents/carers will be expected to provide something they can have as an evening meal. Please notify the school if you want to provide your children with a packed lunch as well – remember that **fizzy drinks, nuts and sweets are not allowed**.

Although there will be some opportunities for children to get additional water at the venue, we advise that children bring two water bottles with them on the day. The O2 has specified that **no glass bottles** are permitted in the venue.

YV at Home

As mentioned previously, your child can access lyric videos, dance videos and more by following this link: [YV Music Room](#) and registering for access.

Alternatively, you can access a Spotify playlist of the Young Voices 2023 repertoire here: [Young Voices Uk Music Pack 2024 - Album by The Young Voices Choir | Spotify](#). The lyric books is also attached with this email.

The more our children immerse themselves in and learn the repertoire, the more prepared they will be for the big day, so we advise that they practise it at home whenever possible, as well as in school.

Tickets

If you have bought tickets to come and watch the event, you will soon receive an email with a link to download your ticket.

Make sure you get the Axs app so you can download them to your phone if you haven't already. You will need it to enter the venue on the night of the concert.

IOs: <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/axs-tickets/id679805463>

Android: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.axs.android&hl=en_GB&gl=US

Please get in touch with the school if you're having trouble downloading the app/ticket to your phone or if you've changed your email address. Please also check the junk/spam folder in your email to make sure the ticket link hasn't ended up there.

After the concert

Whether you attend the concert as an audience member or not, parents/carers will be expected to pick their child up from school when the coach returns from the venue, which will be at approximately 11pm.

Thursday 1st February – Late drop off

For those children who attended the Young Voice Concert, they can, if they choose to attend school at the later time of 10:30 the following day. This gives them a change to catch up on some sleep following their late night.

Other information

The dress code for the concert is a **white t-shirt/top** and comfortable, darkly-coloured trousers. Children are allowed to wear additional layers during the rest of the day but Young Voices have requested that all participants (including school adults) wear a white top for the concert itself.

If you would like a video recording of your children's Young Voices concert, you can pre-order your own copy from here: [Young Voices \(yv24film.co.uk\)](http://YoungVoices(yv24film.co.uk))

Please get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. We can't wait for your child to take part in this incredible event!

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