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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Young Voices at Genting Arena, 28th January 2019

It's getting closer! We will start rehearsing as a choir from Monday 11th November 2019
The songs are available for children to access and practice online this year, at the website:

<https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/childrens-music-room>

The code you will need for this is YV2020.

Tickets and t-shirts are available to order. Please complete the order forms. DO NOT send in any money. We will be asking for payment via Schoolmoney on receipt of your order.

Please complete the permission form at the bottom of the Ticket Order Form – and return even if you are not ordering tickets, this needs to be returned.

The dress code is a Young Voices t-shirt OR plain white t-shirt, with school trousers or skirt.

Extra information about the day, for children

- Children should come into school in their uniform as usual, bringing their concert outfits with them to change into later on after tea.
- The coach will leave school at 12.45; lunch will be at 12.00 and hot lunches will be available as usual, please order as normal through Schoolmoney
- A packed tea will be needed for 'tea-time' at the Arena. Please remember to include plenty to drink, we will be doing a lot of singing at the rehearsal, but no glass bottles or fizzy drinks, thank you.
- The coach will return the children back to school for approximately 10.30pm.
- At the end of the concert children and teachers are not allowed to leave their seats until the audience has disbursed. Arena staff supervise our exit from the building, so please be aware our coach could be back at school later than parents.
- Children will not be allowed to leave the Arena with their parents, everyone comes back to school on the coach. This is a 'Young Voices' recommendation for safety reasons, and a sensible one given the thousands of children involved in the event.
- Given the late arrival back in school, those children who are representing the school at young voices may arrive in school at 10.00am on Wednesday morning (29th January). Siblings will be expected to arrive in school at normal time.
- The concert supports an organisation called 'FareShare' which distributes food to the homeless. Young Voices asks that each child brings a tin of food to the concert as contribution.



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Extra information about the day, for the audience

- Please note that video or SLR cameras are not allowed at the venue.
- Please visit the arena website for information on parking and the location of suitable car parks – car shares where possible may be a good option. Young Voices recommend pre-booking parking, as it is cheaper than on the day.
- The concert starts at 7.00pm, ends at 9.15pm.
- A reminder that in the unfortunate event you cannot make the concert, there are no refunds on tickets. If you can't make it we can advertise spare tickets to other parents on your behalf.

If you have any further queries please come and see me, we're looking forward to a fabulous day on the 28th January 2020!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Stokes
Music Support Teacher



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