

9<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

**Young Voices Concert at the O<sub>2</sub> 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

I hope you have heard your child practising the songs we have been learning in the Young Voices choir so far!

Payment: **it is time to request payment for the coach to and from the O2, which will be £12.00 per child.**

Payment can be made via the CtS online payment facility or through the school office. Any cheques for payment should be made payable to Christ the Sower School.

- Requests for omission of this charge will be considered for pupils where parents receive Income Support, Family Credit, Income Based Job Seekers Allowance or Disability Working Allowance.
- Requests for assistance with funding can also be made to the Governors Fund. Please contact the school office for an application form.

**The end of the concert.** At the end of the concert, children MUST return to school with the school adults they came with on the coaches. It will NOT be possible to collect your child from the venue, only from school when we return.

- The event organisers have 20 years' experience of running large events such as this and strongly recommend we keep all children with us until we return to school.
- The concert will involve around 8,000 children (all wearing the same T-shirts!) and even more people in the audience. Finding one another in a crowd of nearly 20,000 will be challenging, to say the least! The O2 is a huge venue and it would be virtually impossible to arrange a place for parents to collect their children.
- The audience leave the O2 before the choirs and the number of choirs leaving are restricted to a few at a time. It is therefore likely (from last year's experience) that those who have come to watch will be back in Milton Keynes before us and will be able to collect the children when the coach returns. (Time to be confirmed).

For your information, the concert will start at 7pm and end at 9.15pm. If you have already ordered a school dinner on this day an away day packed lunch will be provided for your child for lunchtime. If you have not yet ordered and would like an away day packed lunch please go online and order by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January. We'll send further details nearer the time regarding teatime snack and drinks.

In the meantime, please keep encouraging your children to learn the words. **The password for the music room on the Young Voices website is YV2020.**

Yours sincerely,

**Miss Emma Underwood**

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Name of Child ..... Class .....

I enclose £12 to pay for the coach to and from the O2 for the Young Voices concert.

I have paid via the online banking system

I have paid through the school office.

Signed.....Parent/Carer

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