

# The largest children's choir concerts in the world!

## Celebrating 25 Years of Singing Together!

Sheffield Arena Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022

### What is Young Voices?

Young Voices provide a musical experience for children that will inspire a love of music and that they will remember for the rest of their lives - Young Voices selects guest artists to take part in their concerts. Each artist is the top of their field and someone who reflects the values of YV. From Gary Barlow to Alexandra Burke, amazing artists have been singing alongside your children and this year is no exception!

Whatever you think a trip to your child's choir concert means, forget it! Think ARENA, think CONCERT, think BIG!! Your child could be taking part in the world's largest school choir concert! They will perform alongside 5,000-8,000 other children as a single choir to capacity audiences of family and friends.

Being a part of YV provides your child the opportunity to perform in some of the world's greatest arenas alongside incredible artists. To achieve this with all their school friends around them for support, it helps their self-belief, self-motivation, confidence, and ability to communicate as part of a team - which is invaluable! Add to this the numerous health benefits of consistent singing in rehearsals, including breathing regulation to relieving stress - it's no wonder that Young Voices is over-subscribed year after year!

However, the concert is the culmination of a lot of hard work from your child's teacher and your child. Our project takes place in your school for the whole of the Autumn term leading up to January where our specially arranged songs, support resources and online music room provide a full and varied introduction to all kinds of music for your child.

### Leading Up to the Concert

You are an integral part of what makes Young Voices work. Without your support we wouldn't be able to have 150,000 children taking part in arenas across the nation!

As the children practice from home, it is our vision to introduce music that might be new to the children but spark a sense of nostalgia in the parents. We then try to balance that with music that the children have heard on the radio but parents might not be familiar with. All in an effort to connect families through music.

All resources are available on the Young Voices website to allow your child to continue rehearsals at home. There is a massive sense of achievement gained from rehearsing over so many months and finally performing in some of the world's largest arenas.

Dear Parent/Carer

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Once again, we will be taking part in the **Young Voices Choir**. The Young Voices Extra Curricular club will begin after half term and will run for 10 weeks (6 weeks up to Christmas and 4 weeks in the New Year)

Mrs Little will be running the Young Voices Choir Extra Curricular Club for Year 5 and 6 children. **The club will be held every Monday and will run from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November to Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December and then again in the New Year from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 to Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January, The club will be from 3.00 pm until 4.00 pm.** Your child will need to be collected from the Hub door at 4pm.

**The club will cost £25. This money will be used towards the cost of the club, purchase their Young Voices Choir t-shirt and the coach to take them to the Sheffield Arena. A payment of £12 is required by 22<sup>nd</sup> October. The remaining £13 needs to be paid by 3<sup>rd</sup> December. All payments to be made on the School Gateway and are non-refundable. Failure to pay will result in your child losing their place.**

**Children that attend the club will be expected to attend the concert at the Sheffield Arena on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022.** Your child will be taken to the Arena in the afternoon, where they will rehearse for the concert later that evening. Parents are invited to the concert, see below for further information. **Your child does not have to have an adult attending the concert to take part.** Children will be required to return to school, on the coach which will arrive at approximately 10pm.

Please note that due to the high demand of after school clubs if your child does not follow the schools behaviour rules the privilege of attending clubs will be withdrawn (You will be informed of this decision).

When collecting your child from the club, please **DO NOT** park in the staff car park. You will need to park on the main road and walk to collect your child from the appropriate door. We would appreciate it if you could pass this message on to any other adults that collect your child from the club on your behalf.

**This is for the safety of ALL our children.**

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Regards,  
Mrs Little

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On the day: We will leave school after lunch to arrive at the arena early afternoon; we will practise in the afternoon with all the other schools; have a packed lunch; the concert starts at **7pm** and we will arrive back at school at approximately **10pm**.