

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are thrilled to be able to inform you that both Woodside School and Soudley School will take part in "Young Voices" in the New Year. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to sing as part of a choir of around 7,000 at the fantastic at **Resorts World Arena in Birmingham on Thursday 22nd February 2024**

Young Voices began in the late 1990s and brings together hundreds of school choirs every year in venues around the country. Follow this link for more information.

<http://youngvoices.co.uk/for-parents/>

This term we shall have a choir club for children to practise the new songs in preparation for the concert. This will be held after school on a Tuesday starting 19th September at 3.15 – 4.15 pm Please do check out the Young Voices website in order to get an idea of the event!

This opportunity is for KS2 children as it is a very long day. Children will travel by coach to the arena late morning. The concert will finish at 9.15pm and children will need to be collected at school on their return to school around 10.30-11.00pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch and tea along with some snacks to eat. *(You might like to send pasta or soup in a flask for lunch so your child can have a cooked meal.)*

Young Voices t-shirts will be available for purchase through the school but if you do not wish to purchase one, children should wear a white t-shirt, school trousers or skirt and black shoes.

Places are limited, so, if you would like your child to join the choir and attend the concert please sign and return the attached slip by **Wednesday 13th September**. Places will be offered on a first come first serve basis. Whilst the cost of your child attending and all of the music resources have been covered by the school, there will be a **charge for transport**. At this stage, and until we have exact numbers it is difficult to give an exact amount.

Should parents wish to travel up for the concert in the evening, tickets can be ordered through the school at a cost of approximately £23 each. **Please note parents will need to make their own way to the arena**

More detailed information along with order forms for tickets and t-shirts will be provided in the coming weeks.

Kind Regards,

Mr Kemp and Mrs Fawkes

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Young Voices 2024

My Child would like to join the choir Class

Signed

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Executive Head: Mrs M Davis

Executive Deputy Head: Mrs J Fawkes

Deputy Head at Steam Mills: Mrs J Thomas