



St. Michael's C.E. Junior School (Controlled)

Church Lane East, Aldershot, Hampshire, GU11 3SS
Headteacher: Mrs Lynne Hignett BA(Hons), NPQH

11th January 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Young Voices Concert – 17th January 2017

I would like to take this opportunity to share some details of the day with you. Firstly, the children should arrive at school for registration as normal; the coach will then leave later that morning.

What to take

We will arrive at the O2 in time for lunch. Children will need to take a packed lunch, a packed evening tea and plenty of water. (refillable plastic bottles are best). They may bring books or magazines to read between rehearsals and the performance, however **no electronic games or phones please**.

What to wear

Please send your child to school in their school uniform, their Young Voices t-shirt will be given out the morning of the trip. The organisers of the concert encourage the children to bring a tiny, battery operated torch so that they can participate in the light show. Please note that all torches must have a protected bulb for safety reasons. A free torch will come with each Young Voices t-shirt that has been pre-ordered.

Safety

Once at the O2 the children must stay in the arena for the afternoon rehearsal and the duration of the concert. They will remain with accompanying staff and **must** travel back on the coach, even if parents have come to see the concert themselves.

Collection from the coach

We will arrive back at school at approximately 11.30pm. The coach will park directly outside the school gates where all children must be signed out by a member of staff; no child will be allowed to go without an adult.

Telephone Tree

This is in the process of being done and will be sent out no later than Monday 16th January – **this will only be activated if the coach is going to be more than 20 minutes late**. Please do not contact Mrs Vacher, the lead teacher, unless it is an emergency.

Mrs Vacher will contact the first person in each group. This person should then contact the person below them in their group only. You will only need to contact one person. If however you are unable to contact the next person, please move down the



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list and contact the person below that in your group. This ensures the message will be passed on.

T-Shirts

Pre ordered T-shirts have arrived and are being stored in the school office for safe keeping, these will be given out on the morning of the trip.

Young Voices pre ordered Tickets

For those of you who have pre ordered tickets these are now ready for collection from the school office.

Parents travelling to the O2

Young Voices and The O2 recommend that you travel to the arena by public transport if possible. However, should you decide to drive and park at the O2 please be aware that there is a charge for parking. Please visit the O2 website for further information.

School coach

If your child suffers from travel sickness it might be advisable to consider a suitable travel sickness tablet from the chemist. If you would like the tablet to be given at school please ask at the office for a permission form.

All children attending the O2 can come into school at break time (10.30am) the following morning.

If you have any other queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs R Vacher
Year 6 Teacher