



# Birley Primary Academy

A L.E.A.D Academy

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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

We are excited to announce that this year Birley Primary Academy will once again be taking part in the Young Voices Choir Event. We have the opportunity to take up to 50 children to perform at the Sheffield Arena alongside other schools and your child has been selected to take part. This is not compulsory however it is a great opportunity to perform in front of a large audience and it is a lot of fun! Being in the choir requires children to give up some of their free time to practice. Please ensure your child is fully committed and definitely would like to take part before giving permission. Also it is important to note that whilst the event itself is free for your child there are some additional costs. All of these are given in detail further down the form.

## **The rehearsals:**

Your child will be required to attend weekly rehearsals after school every Wednesday starting from Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The rehearsal will start straight after school and finish at 4:20pm. You will be required to collect your children from the main school gate (next to the Foundation building). All children must be collected (including Year 6) as it gets dark earlier during the winter months. As we get closer to the event we may need to add extra rehearsals during lunchtime. We will send another letter about this nearer the time if they are needed.

## **The main event:**

Our performance is on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at the FlyDSA arena with other Sheffield Schools. On the day of the concert we will arrive at the arena for 2:15pm and the concert will finish at 8:45pm (times to be confirmed). The children will travel from school to the event via tram, however they will need to be collected from the venue. They will have their lunch at school as normal and will need to bring a snack and packed lunch for their tea.

## **Tickets:**

You can buy tickets to see the show and from past experience we know that they sell out quickly. They are priced at £23 each. Audience tickets must be paid for via School Comms. The deadline for orders will be the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023. We will order tickets as a group so all Birley supporters will be sat together. After this, you will have to contact the Sheffield Arena box office for tickets.



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## T-shirt bundles:

There are also Young Voices T-shirt and torch bundles available to buy for the children priced at £15 each. Please note that these are optional. We have been informed any children or staff without a Young Voices T-shirt must wear a plain white T-shirt. Please specify what size T-shirt your child will require on School Comms. The options are 7-8 youth, 9-11 youth, 12-13 youth, adult (small) or adult (medium).

## Practice at home:

If your child wishes to practice at home please visit the following website and sign up:

<https://myclassmate.ai/parentRegisterReferral?code=GhsfGEiJEun9ty5z>

This is the first time 'My Classmate' has been used. Please let us know how you find the experience so we can pass this on to Young Voices.

Please confirm your child is taking part in Young Voices and that you give permission for your child to attend our after school rehearsals, every Wednesday (except October half term) until the performance on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 by giving consent on School Comms by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September (our first rehearsal). .

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Lewin, Miss Heath, Miss Slater and Miss Else

Yours sincerely

MRS D MCAUGHEY  
HEADTEACHER



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