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Thursday, 25 January 2018

Dear Parents,

The countdown has begun for Young Voices on Wednesday 31st January 2018, so just a final reminder about the details and arrangements of the trip.

- Every year Young Voices selects a special charity to work alongside; this year one of the charities is Fareshare. If you are able to donate an item of canned foodstuff, please bring it in a carrier bag and we will pass all donations to Fareshare at the O2.
- Please ensure the children are in school on Wednesday 31st at the usual time for bell and registration. Parents travelling with us on the coach need to be in school by 9:20am for a briefing of the day.
- Please ensure your child continues to learn the songs which can be found on the YV website. Word sheets will not be allowed at the performance!

<https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/childrens-music-room/>

The code is YVConcerts2018

- On Thursday 1st February, children are expected in school however we are prepared to hold open the register until 10:30am. If they require a school lunch on Thursday 1st February, please let the school know by Tuesday 30th January
- Due to new Government and County Health and Safety trip regulations for schools, you are unable to collect your child from the O2. All pupils **MUST** return to school on the coach. Please collect your children from school between 12:00am and 12:30am we will text parents, not on the coach, to update the return time
- For parents who have not attended the O2 Young Voices before, may we remind you that parents and spectators will not be sitting with the children. There will no access to children after arrival at the O2. Parents and spectators are free to sightsee and shop all afternoon. Please return to the O2 between 6:00 and 6:30pm in time for the performance at 7pm. You are advised to leave adequate time to go through security. Please be prepared for bag checks and searches and only bring small bags into the arena. The coach company have said it may be possible to return to the coach and leave shopping bags etc on the coach before the performance
- Please ensure all children are provided with a **packed lunch, packed tea and a named water bottle**. Please do not include any glass bottles, cans or fizzy drinks
- Following national guidelines, the school has written a detailed off-site educational risk assessment which has been submitted to Hampshire County Council
- Adults tickets - for those adults on the coach, Mrs Lloyd will distribute tickets on the day, Spectators not travelling by coach will receive their tickets next week.
- Young Voices T shirts have been ordered for the children to wear on the day. They must arrive in their school uniforms and the T-shirts will be given out on the day. Please also ensure the children wear their coats

If you have any further questions regarding the trip, please speak to Mrs Lloyd or Miss Thompson
Thank you

