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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Young Voices 2026!

Please read carefully – there is a lot of important info in this letter!

We are very much looking forward to taking part in YV 2025 at Birmingham Resorts World Arena on **Wednesday 14th January 2026**, with all of our Key Stage 2 children. As you may recall from our letter in the Summer Term, the aim of Young Voices is 'to inspire a love of music and create memories for the children that will last a lifetime'. To this end, participating schools from all over the country learn a diverse range of songs especially arranged for the event, which they then perform together in a choir of thousands.

All the Otters and Owls children will learn songs, harmonies and dance moves as part of their music curriculum this term, following which we will travel by coach to Birmingham NEC. The afternoon of the concert day is spent rehearsing there, with thousands of other children, which is always great fun, as we get a sneak peak at the live music, dancers, lights etc. The evening concert is open to parents/families/friends, and tickets can be purchased through the YV website Music Room (see attached flyer for instructions).

After the concert, **we will bring all children back to Horsley**. The Young Voices team is very clear in discouraging children from being picked up directly from the arena, as there are thousands of people milling about, and it is a risk to children's safety. We will be directed back to our coach and will not be able to deviate to find meeting points for parents to pick up their children.

To gain access to all the YV information this year, parents need to visit the link below, or scan the QR code at the end of this letter, and sign up your child. You and your child can then access the Music Room for at-home practice of the songs and dance moves. From here, you can also order YV T-shirts (these are NOT essential – a plain white T-shirt can be worn as an alternative) and tickets for adults who wish to attend the concert.

<https://yvmusicroom.com/auth/parent/login>

After the concert, parents are released in blocks, to get back to their carparks, which are spread out across a wide area. This can take a long time, and in previous years, staff have been waiting at school,

with tired children, for up to 2 hours, for parents to get out of the NEC and back down the motorway. This has resulted in staff and children not being able to leave school until gone midnight, which I'm sure you'll agree, is undesirable. It is imperative, therefore, that there is an adult, who has not been to the concert, at school to meet the children returning from the concert, so that tired children (and staff!) can get home. Please email the office to let us know the name of the trusted adult who will collect your child from school after the concert (we usually arrive back at school by around 10.30pm). Children who are tired, may come into school at 10.30am the next morning. Staff will be in as normal!

The school has subsidised the cost of attending the concert, so the only contribution needed is towards the cost of the coach, which is £20.00 per child. Please make payment and give permission via Parentpay, by Friday 12th September. Any financial contribution will be entirely voluntary, and your child will not be denied a place on the visit should you be unable to pay the contribution. However, the school will not proceed with the visit unless there are sufficient contributions for it to be financed. If you are in receipt of Pupil Premium, and wish to be subsidised, please contact the office.

Finally, please see the flyer from Young Voices at the end of this letter, and follow the instructions to sign up your child to the Music Room, and buy tickets/ T-shirts if you would like to.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to making music together!

Yours faithfully
Miss Mansell (Music Lead)





WELCOME to YV26

Prepare for an unforgettable experience as we celebrate 30 years of Young Voices. Your child will join thousands of other young singers at one of the UK's most iconic venues, becoming part of the legendary YV Choir of 26. The full music pack will be available in June, but to get you started, we've included the special song "Power In Me."

What to Expect

Your child will perform alongside choirs from schools across the country in a breathtaking concert featuring spectacular sound, lighting, and special guest performances. Young Voices is more than just a performance! It's a year-long, inspiring and educational programme designed to build confidence, support wellbeing and create lasting musical memories.

The Music Room – Your Child's Rehearsal Hub

The Music Room is an interactive online tool that helps your child rehearse at home and provides useful information about the concert.

Get Ready! Visit the YV Music Room shop to purchase your child's official choir t shirt and audience tickets from late May.

YV Choir of 26 t shirt, to be worn at the concert, is a special keepsake that will remind your child of the unforgettable moment they sang to a sold-out audience at one of the UK's largest venues.

Audience Tickets Don't miss the chance to be part of the excitement! Secure your tickets as soon as they become available. Tickets will sell out, so be sure to get them early to enjoy this memorable concert with your child.



We're super excited for **YV26** as we **celebrate 30 years** of singing together and making memories that will last a lifetime. Your support makes all the difference!

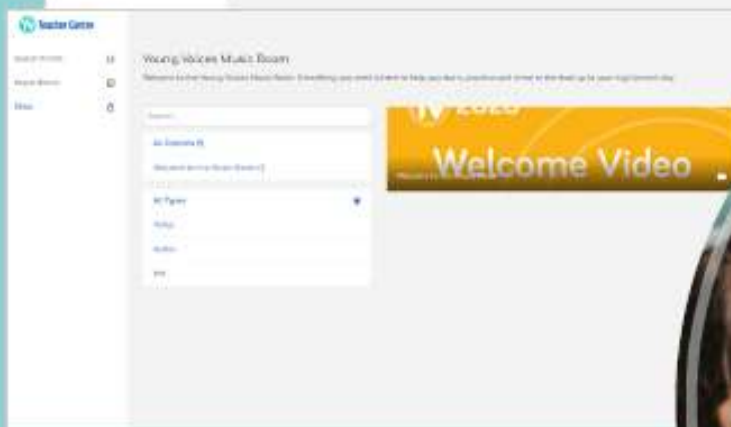
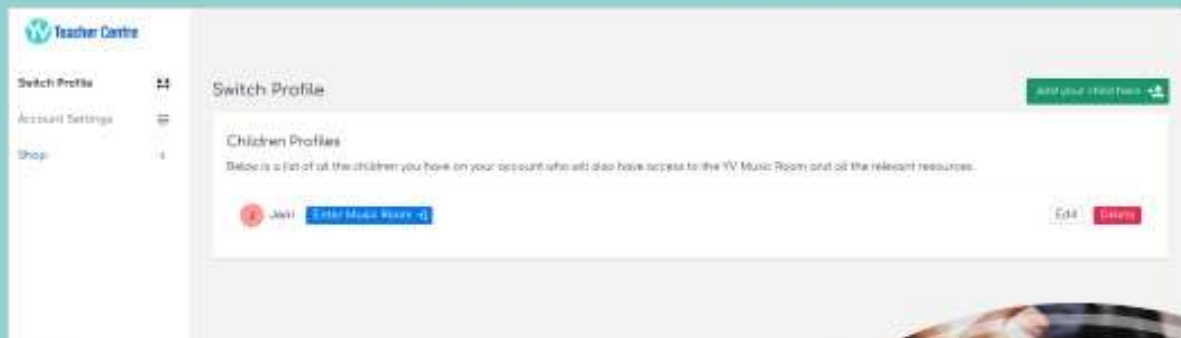
How to use the YV Music Room

Now that you're in the Music Room, you can manage your child's YV26 choir journey, from rehearsals to ordering tickets and t-shirts!

Here's What to Do Next:

- **Sign Your Child Up** – add your child's name to create their profile.
- **Practice Anytime** – access all concert songs and supporting resources.
- **Order your Official YV t shirt and tickets** – purchase YV t shirts and tickets directly from the Music Room Shop from late May. Orders placed will be delivered to your school.

Below, you'll find a helpful visual with key feature descriptions.



WOW!
What an opportunity for these young children to experience singing at this huge arena. A once in a lifetime experience all of us will never forget!
PROUD PARENT

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Email contact@youngvoices.co.uk

Bookmark your browser with <https://yvmusicroom.com>



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