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Name of child: Class:

1st February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

ROYAL ALBERT HALL CONCERT – MONDAY 26TH MARCH 2018

We are delighted to inform you that our school choir has been invited to perform at the **Royal Albert Hall in London** on **Monday 26th March 2018 at 7.00pm** as part of a massed choir of 2,000 singers, accompanied by a professional West End band and singers. The event is being organised by Armonico Consort and promises to be a very exciting evening!

There is no cost to your child for this performance, apart from the cost of a special performance T-shirt (£6) and the cost of coach travel on the day. We anticipate that the coach will cost approximately £12 per seat, although this may increase slightly once we know final numbers.

Parents are very welcome to come on the coach with the children. If you would like to join us for the performance in the evening and require a seat on the coach, please indicate this on the slip below. **Once we know final numbers, we will then be able to confirm the exact amount due and will send a further letter requesting payment.**

Alternatively, if you would prefer to make your own way to the concert and collect your child afterwards, you are very welcome to do so. If you plan to make your own way to London, please indicate this on the reply slip below.

If you would like tickets to watch the performance (£18.50 per ticket), please indicate the number of tickets you require on the reply slip below. **Once we know the number of tickets required, we will send out a further letter requesting payment.**

Itinerary

The children will need to arrive at school as usual on the Monday morning (8.45am). The timings for the day will be as follows:

11.00am	Coach to depart from St John's Primary School
1.00pm	Arrive at Royal Albert Hall / children taken to the rehearsal area to eat lunch Please note that parents will not be allowed backstage or in the children's waiting area at any point during the day
2.30pm	Dress rehearsal with band, professional singers, sound and lighting crew
5.30pm	Break for tea / children to return to designated holding areas
6.30pm	Children seated on stage
7.00pm – 8.45pm	Concert (two halves plus an interval)
9.30pm	Coach to depart from Royal Albert Hall
11.30pm	Coach to arrive back at school Please note that parents will be updated via text message regarding exact timings once we are on our way home

We appreciate that, due to the fact that this will be a late night for the children, they may wish to come in to school later on Tuesday. Therefore, all absence for choir children on the morning of Tuesday 27th March will be authorised.

What to bring

Along with their special t-shirt, the children will need to wear jeans and trainers please (NOT school uniform). Please ensure that your child brings a packed lunch **and** tea with them on the day, in a named, disposable bag. We strongly recommend that your child brings TWO named bottles of water with them for the rehearsals and evening concert (plastic, no glass please) so that their throats do not become dehydrated. No hot food is to be brought into the hall and please avoid bringing anything with nuts in case there are other children nearby with severe allergies.

If you would like your child to be part of this exciting opportunity, please return the attached consent form to the school office **no later than Monday 5th February**.

We hope that your child will enjoy what promises to be an exciting and unique event!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M Baker & Miss E Cossins

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I give* / do not give* permission for my child to take part in the concert at the Royal Albert Hall on Monday 26th March 2018 (estimated cost: £6 t-shirt + £12 coach) (* delete as appropriate)

I would like to request additional seats on the coach (estimated cost: £12 per seat)

No of seats required

I will be making my own way to London, so will not require seats on the coach

I would like to request tickets for the performance (£18.50 per ticket)

No of tickets required

I will be unable to join you at the concert due to other commitments

Signed: Date: