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Dear Parents / Carers,

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Young Voices Concert at the O2 Arena – Tuesday 24th February 2026

We would like to invite all children in KS2 to take part in the 2026 Young Voices concert at the O2 Arena in London, on 24th February. The children will be travelling to and from the Arena by coach, leaving at approximately midday from school and will spend the day rehearsing for a final performance, which starts at 7pm. This is a wonderful event and one we believe the children will thoroughly enjoy. Each year we have attended as a school, the feedback from our families has been incredibly positive. To get a good idea of what this day involves, please look at www.youngvoices.co.uk.

This year we have a limited number of spaces. Therefore, should the demand rise above these places, participating in the experience will be generated through a ballot system where names will be picked out at random. The two other schools across the Compass Federation have also got limited spaces. However, should there be spare tickets from across the schools, we will seek to make them available to the children who did not get them first time around.

The cost of the experience is £30 per child. This includes the cost of the coach to and from the Arena and the Young Voices 2026 T-shirt pack, which includes a printed Young Voices 2026 T-shirt and Young Voices torch, which the children can shine, to light up the Arena on the night. When all torches are shining together, it really is quite a spectacle! We appreciate that this represents a slight rise in cost. This is because the coach company and Young Voices have put prices up; the school is supplementing part of the cost to keep prices lower.

We will confirm the arrangements for transport with you closer to the time, **but please note that children will need to be collected from school and this will be a very late night.**

Once your child has a confirmed place on the trip, Parents/Carers will be able to book tickets to come and see the performance at the O2. You can place your ticket orders once you have been invited to the Music Room via a unique web link that we will send out. Once you have entered the Parent Music Room, you can access your dashboard and shop to place and pay for your tickets and add your children to the Music Room for at-home practice of the songs and dance moves. The deadline to purchase tickets for adult spectator tickets is **31st October 2025** and it is expected that tickets will sell fast. **Please do not purchase Choir T-Shirts through this portal as this is included in the £30.** There will also be a 'Night of Young Voices' concert in the summer term at St. Peter's Church in Hextable. This will be an opportunity to hear the songs sung by the whole school choir.

We have set-up a register on SchoolComms called '**Young Voices 2026 Sign-up**' where you need to tell us that your child wishes to attend and you are prepared to pay £30. **If you would like your child to take part, please confirm this by Monday 22nd September 2025.** Should your child gain a place, we will then require the payment of £30 by **30th September 2025** in order to progress with the order.

I am sure the event will be very memorable for all of the children and parents involved.

Yours faithfully,

Ruth Stoneham
Head of School

St. Edmund's is a welcoming and nurturing environment, where each individual is supported to develop morally, spiritually, socially, culturally and academically. Our extended community, through our Christian values of Love, Courage, Trust and Respect encourage each other in faith to 'Let your light shine.' (Matthew 5).