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Dear Parents,

I hope your child has told you that they are part of this year's Chamber Choir. This is a prestigious choir and I am pleased to tell you about some of the events they will be taking part in.

St. Paul's Church in Covent Garden, London

This concert is part of a festival organised to showcase young choirs and it is a real privilege for our choir to be asked again to participate. The concert is on Saturday 11th November at 2.30 p.m.

This is a really wonderful opportunity for the children, and one that is not offered to very many schools. It is also a lovely chance for you to hear your children perform in a central London venue – a great memory for the future! We need to know if there will be enough children available to sing in the choir. Could I ask that you please return the slip letting us know if your child will be available to sing or not as soon as possible. If we do not have enough singers, we will sadly not be able to take part.

We will provide transport for the children to and from the venue (St. Paul's Church, Covent Garden) from school. We anticipate that the children will need to be in school by 11.30 a.m. and will arrive back around 6.00 p.m. We are going to book a bus to take us up to London and there will be room for one person to accompany each child. Once we are in London, we will take care of the children and you will be free to enjoy Covent Garden before the start of the concert.

Tickets for the concert are £9.00 for adults and free for children under 8. I will let you know about booking tickets once I have the details.

As many people as you like can come and watch the concert, but I am afraid we are only able to offer transport to one person per child at this time. If there are spare seats on the coach, we will offer them to other family members (please fill in the slip below to request further seats if they are available). Covent Garden is easily reachable by train if you would rather make your own way to London, meet us there and then be free to enjoy a trip to London after the concert.

Southend Music Festival

This is an annual event that is held at Crowstone Christian Centre in Wescliff. The children will sing two of the pieces they have worked on to a professional adjudicator and have the opportunity to listen to the groups entered by other local schools. It is a wonderful opportunity for the children to gain experience of performing and hopefully, receive some very useful encouragement.

The festival is on Friday 25th November and our class is in the morning. We will travel to the Festival by coach and will provide Choir uniform, so please send your child in school in normal school uniform. They can take a named bottle of water with them. We aim to arrive back in school for lunch.

Parents are welcome at this event as the festival is open to members of the public and tickets are available on the door. We have not received the final details for this, I will share them with you as soon as we do.

Carol Singing

During the run up to Christmas, we are sometimes asked to sing in local nursing homes in school time. I will send out details of any events nearer the time, but to save you filling out numerous permission slips, please tick the box on this reply slip.

As you can see, this is a busy time for our young singers. We look forward to singing to you very soon and thank you for all your support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss S. Goldsmith

Chamber Choir

Please complete and return to Miss Goldsmith

Childs Name Class

I give permission for my son/daughter to take part in the St Pauls Covent Garden concert on Saturday 11th November

I am afraid my child is not available to perform on Saturday 11th November

I would like to book a place on the bus to London Yes
No

I would like to book _____ further seats if they are available

I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the Southend Music Festival

I give permission for my son/daughter to go Carol Singing within school time