

12th September 2025

Young Voices 2026

Dear parents/carers of Year 4, 5 and 6 children,

I am delighted to let you know that on **Thursday 29th January 2026** we will be taking a joint choir (Haxby Road Academy and Park Grove Academy) to 'Young Voices' in Sheffield. Young Voices is the largest choir in the world, where thousands of children all come together to sing. It is a very exciting event which the children in previous years have thoroughly enjoyed and we are sure that the children will love it.

We are going to Utilita Arena Sheffield and our concert date is **Thursday 29th January 2026.** The trip will be for the whole day and the coach will drop us back at approximately 10:30pm. Our school is paying for the children to go and for their travel so there is no cost to you for the trip. Children are encouraged (by Young Voices) to buy a t-shirt (£15) and family members can buy tickets to attend the concert (£24) if they wish. Orders can be placed through school and details about this will follow once the choir has been confirmed. Please note there is a quick turnaround of these order forms, so if your child gets a place in the choir and you would like to order concert tickets or a t-shirt for them, please be aware that orders will need to be placed and paid for by no later than Friday 24th October 2025.

We are offering this opportunity to our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils and we only have 30 places available. Names are chosen fairly with a random name generator, but we will give priority to Year 6 pupils, as this will be their final opportunity to attend before going to secondary school next year. We will also prioritise those pupils who were not successful in joining the choir in previous years. We will rehearse once a week each **Friday in Lime Class from 3:20pm-4:20pm**. Rehearsals will begin after the half term break on **Friday 7th November**. We need to have children who are committed to learning lots of songs (and lots of words) who love singing and will give 100% effort during rehearsals.



Please only allow your child to put their name down if they will love singing and dancing, can be fully committed to the experience (and enjoy the long day at the arena!) and will be able to attend the concert day on **Thursday 29th January 2026**.

If your child is interested to join our Young Voices choir, please complete the following Google form: https://forms.gle/nAtuMo6xWUAr6jCq7

We will confirm which children have a place soon after, so all responses must be returned by the time/date above; this will allow the children to meet just before the half term break and we will then be able to begin placing ticket and t-shirt orders for you as quickly as possible.

I hope your children enjoy this very exciting opportunity!

Kind regards,

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