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Dress rehearsal and Anvil performances with the school Choir

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is not long now until the school choir performs at the BPSM concert at the Anvil! The children have been working really hard and the choir have sounded amazing at the group rehearsals that we have been to in recent weeks. This letter is to outline arrangements for the dress rehearsal day and Anvil evening performances. **Please read this very carefully as it lets you know arrangements for both choir and chamber choir** so not all of this information will be relevant to your child. Also, not all children are performing on both nights: if your child is only performing on one night you were informed of this in an earlier letter.

We still need some parent helpers to walk with us to and from the Anvil dress rehearsal on the 23rd June. If you are able to help us with this, then please let the school office know as soon as possible.

Dress rehearsal at the Anvil - Tuesday 23rd June 9.30am - 2.30pm

- All children will attend this dress rehearsal, regardless of which night they are performing.
- For this rehearsal, children will walk from school to the Anvil with school staff. When the rehearsal finishes they will return to school before the end of the school day. Please make sure your child arrives at school promptly so that we can leave at 8.50am and arrive in time for the rehearsal starting at 9.30am.
- All children should bring their lunch, preferably in a throw away container. Lunch boxes are easily mislaid and lost in such a large area (no nuts allowed).
- All children should bring a bottle of water to drink but no glass or metal bottles or fizzy drinks please.

Evening performances at the Anvil 23rd and 24th June

- All children to wear school uniform with **no coats or jumpers/sweatshirts**. It gets very hot under the lights and jumpers are easily mislaid. There is no interval or need for snacks. Please make sure your child has been to the toilet before they leave home and please no water bottles unless your child has a medical need to have water with them.

Arriving at the Anvil: choir

- The choir will meet Mr Gardner **outside the front entrance to the Anvil at 6.15pm**. Please be prompt as there are a large number of children to get into the building and seated for the start of the concert.

Arriving at the Anvil: chamber choir

- Chamber Choir to arrive **at 6.30pm** and go to the **Stage Door** where their names will be registered by a member of staff. There will be a queue - please be patient as we need to check everyone in very carefully and make sure everyone gets to the right dressing room. Parents are not allowed in.

Reuniting with your child after the concert

If you are in the audience:

- You will only be allowed into the Anvil building with a valid ticket – please purchase this BEFORE the concert day from the Anvil, either in person or online.
- At the end of the concert, please remain in your seats until you are requested to collect your child.

If you are not in the audience:

- You will need a PARENT ACCESS PASS to enter the Anvil.
- Please complete the pass at the end of this letter and bring this with you.
- The front auditorium doors will be opened at approximately 8:30pm.
- For security reasons, if you do not have a pass or a valid concert ticket for that night, you will not be allowed into the Anvil building to collect your child. This is for the safety of all the children.

Reuniting with your child: choir

- The children will be taken by Mr Gardner to a designated area in the Anvil foyer (please see attached map). You can then collect your child from Mr Gardner.

Reuniting with your child: chamber choir

- The children should be collected from the front of the stage. Please do **not** venture on to the stage area.

Programmes

If you would like to purchase programmes for the concert, these will be available on the evening for £5. Make sure you have cash.

If you have any further questions about any of the above information, then please contact me via the school office.


Yours sincerely

Mr Gardner

BPSM 2026 parent/ carer access pass

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School _____




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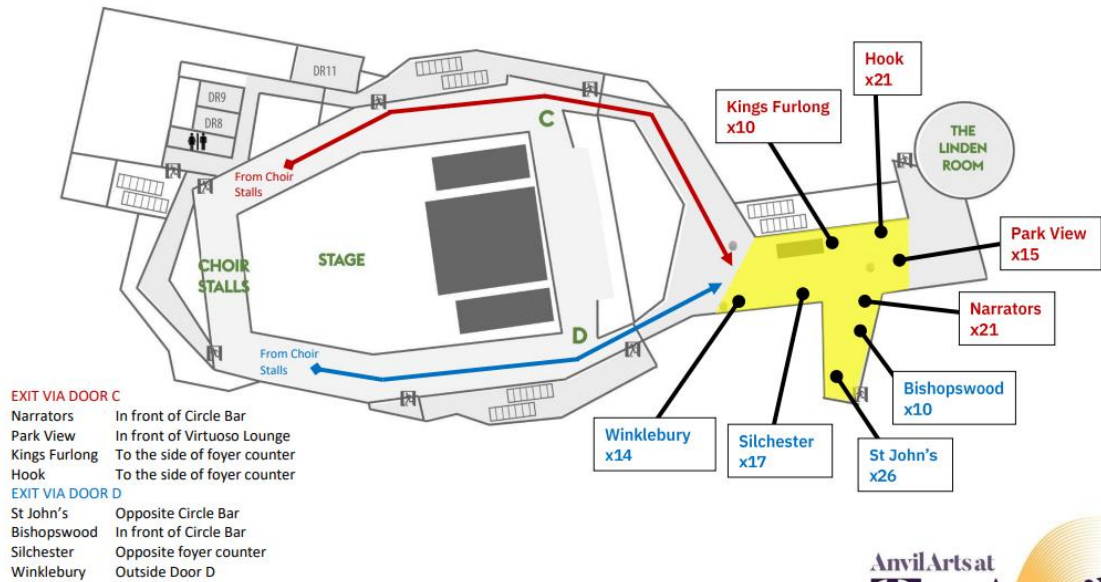
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