



# Westlands Primary School

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Dear parents/carers,

Here is some further information for you regarding the concert.

It is time to order your child's 'Choir T-Shirt' online at <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/> You can also purchase parent tickets to watch the concert. It is important to do this soon because they do sell out. If you do buy tickets to attend the concert you will need to arrange transport as unfortunately we can only take the children on our coach.

We will be holding after school rehearsals every other week starting next Tuesday 24th September. These rehearsals will be from 3.30 to 4.30.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Tuesday 24th September	Tuesday 8th October	Tuesday 22nd October	Thursday 7th November	Thursday 21st November	Thursday 5th December
3.30-4.30	3.30-4.30	3.30-4.30	3.30-4.30	3.30-4.30	3.30-4.30

After Christmas we will hold shorter weekly rehearsals during the school day.

Your child will be bringing home lyrics sheets to learn. We will also need to learn the dance routines. The songs on Spotify are the original versions of the songs. The arrangements for the concert can be a little different so login to the Young Voices Music Room to singalong to the concert versions. The dance routines are also on there.

Tips for learning lyrics:

- Practice for short amounts of time
- Focus on part of a song. When you know it, move on.
- Warm up your voice first with some silly mouth exercises.
- Stand up to sing - it is easier.
- Try singing small sections without looking at the lyrics - your brain will remember it better and not rely on the sheet. You aren't allowed the sheets at the concert.
- Where it says, 'Part 1 and Part 2' we will be singing in groups. When you practise, just sing one of the parts.
- Practise taking quick breaths through your mouth to help you sing - you can't sing without enough air.
- Open your mouth wide - it helps the sound come out and you don't have to work so hard.

- You mustn't be too loud or shout when you are singing - it can damage your voice and you will get a sore throat and be really tired.

Have fun singing!

Any questions, please email the school and it will be forwarded to me.

Many thanks,



Ms Clifton



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