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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you will have noticed on the newsletter, on Friday 14th February Oak Trees class will be performing in a Big Sing event at Malton Secondary School, organised by myself and Mr Lee, Lead Practitioner of Drama.

For many years now I have taken the children to participate in Young Voices at Sheffield Arena. This year we made a decision to make this a bi-annual event and to take the opportunity to coordinate our own 'Big Sing' in collaboration with Malton Secondary School.

We will be working with other children from local Primary Schools, Malton Secondary School Choir and Malton Secondary School Chamber Choir in an afternoon of rehearsal and choral performances.

The event is scheduled for Friday 14th February at Malton Secondary School, Drama Studio, East Wing.

We will arrive at Malton Secondary School for approximately 1.15pm to start rehearsals at 2pm. We would really appreciate parental support in transporting the children down to Malton Secondary School, **leaving school at 1pm prompt**. Parents would then be free to return to attend the concert at the end of the school day.

In the afternoon, each school will be given time to practise their own songs and will watch the other schools rehearse. We will also rehearse the 'Big Sing' songs together as a massed choir.

Pupils will perform in a concert at the end of the school day. Parents are invited to arrive from 3.45pm to watch the concert starting at 4pm ending at approximately 5.15pm. Parents will be expected to collect their children from Malton Secondary School East Wing at the end of the concert, we will not return to school.

I am sure you would agree that this is a very exciting opportunity to share the musical talents of children across our schools, offering them an opportunity to perform to a wider audience. I do hope you will be able to join us in this venture.

We are looking forward to working together on this event promoting not only the magic of music but equally the benefits of singing.

All pupils in Oak Trees are expected to participate in the afternoon rehearsal and after school concert. I will be in touch soon regarding audience numbers for the concert, however, please confirm that you understand that your child will need to be collected from Malton Secondary School at approximately 5.15pm (time to be confirmed) regardless of whether you intend to support them at the concert. Please also confirm if you are able to help with transport to the event.

Please complete the consent form below for this visit as detailed in the letter:

<https://forms.gle/FTjQG6xcRCg5M45X7>

Many thanks and best wishes

Donna Stockill (Music teacher)