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Dear Parents/Carers,

KS2 Choir

I am delighted to share that KS2 choir will be back up and running again this term. This will continue to be held on Mondays after school from 3-4pm and will be for **KS2 children only**. The choir will include vocal warm ups, singing songs for fun, part singing, solos, groups and learning new songs for performances. Please note, this does not run in the same way as the other after school clubs we offer. The choir will be for the whole academic year and therefore the children need to be committed to being part of the choir.

On **Monday 21st September 3-4pm** we will hold an auditions session which will be carried out in an informal way. Children will be given familiar songs to sing together and short warm-ups. I will also observe their participation in our singing assemblies and offer an opportunity to sing in groups across a few lunchtimes. I will then take the time to select the children to become part of the school choir for this academic year, based on singing ability and engagement. Numbers will need to be limited to ideally around 30. I will ensure I speak to all the children in person explaining the reasons and then send an email to confirm whether your child will be part of the choir going forward.

Choir practise will then commence on **Monday 5th October.** Children who join the choir, need to be committed to rehearsal sessions after school and also to the performances that we prepare for and of course, enjoy singing! Very often, we may perform in school assemblies and other school events during the school day, however several times a year we give performances that require the children to commit to time outside of the school day, e.g. an evening concert, Summer Fayre, community events etc. We try to give parents as much notice as possible for these events and we recognise that sometimes family commitments mean that there is a clash of interests. However, it is expected that all the children attend these. Please can you spend time discussing this with your children before they choose to attend the audition session. This is more than just a singing club.

Please complete the online google form (link below) by **9am on Friday 18th September**, if your child would like to attend the audition session on Monday 21st September. Existing children who were part of our school choir in July, do not need to audition again, however please can you indicate on the google form if they wish to continue this year. They will also need to attend the choir session on Monday 21st September.

Google Form link: https://forms.gle/2mXD9MEhgRShsEVe6

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lammin, Headteacher