



Dear Parents,

I do hope you have all had a lovely summer break.

The West Burton Songbirds meet regularly during the school term on a Friday afternoon after school and our rehearsals took place in the Chapel Schoolroom.

Our first practise of the new term will be on Friday 14th September 2018. I will meet the children from school at 3.20pm and escort them across to the schoolroom for

rehearsals. We have lots of fun and will be learning some great songs and hymns for the performances we have been asked to do. If your child does not attend West Burton School but would like to be part of the choir, they are very welcome.

I would be grateful if you would complete the slip at the bottom of this form if your child would like to be part of The Songbirds and return it to school (or email me if you prefer) by **Wednesday 12th September**. If your child is already a Songbird please complete to let me know that they would like to continue, I can then let school staff know and create a register.

The Songbirds will be practicing for a very special performance in West Burton Chapel on 6th November. The Armistice Cantata involves drama and music and is in celebration of 100 years since the end of WW1. I have applied for a grant from the Army Covenant Fund and have been successful - more news on that later.

We will also be taking part in the celebrations at St Andrew's Church on 10th November, also we may go 'on the road' with The Armistice Cantata and perform this in Askrigg, a concert at Sycamore Hall with a bit of a sing song will take place towards the end of November and Mr Cartwright has asked if we will consider being in a concert in Aysgarth Institute.

There is no age limit for members so children from Reception to 100 are welcome! All children in KS1 are welcome but will need to be collected at 4.30pm please. If your child is in KS2 we will continue to rehearse until 5.00pm, this is to enable others to join us from Wensleydale School but if this is not convenient then that is fine.

As we will be deciding on parts for our play (I am writing these at present) it is important that your child comes regularly to enable us to be well rehearsed in what is a short amount of time!

If your child is not attending a rehearsal, please let me know and also inform school.

I look forward to hearing from you and seeing the Songbirds.

Best wishes



Julie Greenslade

Rehearsal dates:

14th, 21st, 28th September

5th, 12th, 19th October

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd November

7th, 14th December

By necessity, we may need to include further script rehearsals before The Cantata.

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The West Burton Songbirds

I give permission for my child / ren

To continue to be a Songbird []

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Tee shirt size required 5-6 , 7-8, 8-9, 9-10, 11-12, 13 -14, S , M, L (please circle)

Signed

Date//// 2018

Email address

Contact telephone number.....