



MANOR COURT Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Reference: 'An Evening of Song & Dance'

Rehearsals for our Summer Show - 'An Evening of Song & Dance' - are underway and we are excited to be preparing to perform to a live audience again. The event will showcase our pupils' talents in singing and dancing. The shows will be on Monday 15th and Thursday 18th June. All Pupils from Foundation Stage to Year 6 will perform, with one class from each year group performing on each night.

If your child is an Arts Councillor, a member of Cheerleading, Choir, Dance Club or Drama Club (or all of them!), we would like them to perform on both nights so please can we ask that when providing consent, you choose this option.

We would like all pupils to wear black school trousers/shorts/skirt/leggings and a brightly coloured top – as plain as possible. It could be the one they wear for Sports Day and needs to be appropriate to wear for a school event. If your child is an Arts Councillor or in Dance Club or Cheerleading, separate information will be sent home about what they are required to wear.

This year, in a change to our usual venue of Holyrood Academy, both shows will be at Chard Guildhall, starting at 6:00pm, and will end at approximately 8:00pm. Foundation children can be collected during the interval if you feel the whole evening will be too long.

Monday 15th June:

Hedgehogs (Foundation)
Bumblebees (Y1)
Nightingales (Y2)
Kingfishers (Y3)
Puffins (Y4)
Badgers (Y5)
Herons (Y6)

Thursday 18th June

Squirrels (Foundation)
Dragonflies (Y1)
Magpies (Y2)
Owls (Y3)
Eagles (Y4)
Foxes (Y5)
Otters (Y6)

Please sign your child up by Friday 5th June via your ParentPay account.

We have been very fortunate to have held our Summer Shows at Holyrood for the last few years, and they allowed us to have the venue for free. Tickets were sold via the online booking system of Eventbrite, which took a commission. All profits have paid for Arts experiences for the whole school the following year. Now that we are unable to use Holyrood's facilities, the logistics of our show become a bit complicated. Due to the booking fees required to hire the Guildhall, we will not be using Eventbrite this year and instead will be selling actual tickets on the playgrounds after school starting the week of 11th May. All tickets will be £3, whether for adults or children. The Guildhall has a much smaller capacity than Holyrood – there are only 220 seats compared to Holyrood's 290. So please be mindful of other families wanting to attend the shows and make sure you buy tickets as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Please pay for tickets with cash, and exact change would be very helpful.

The backstage capacity is also much smaller, but the staff at the Library have kindly offered to open up their facilities on both evenings for us to use at no charge. So children in FS, Y1, 2 & 3 will need to be brought to the library each night. They will walk over to the Guildhall to perform and can be collected from the Guildhall at the end. Children in Y4, 5 & 6 will be at the Guildhall – Y4, 5 & 6 dancers will use the basement dressing rooms and all other children from those year groups will be based in the Town Hall on the top floor of the Guildhall building.

Timings and other details will be sent soon. If you have any questions about this event, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

We look forward to performing for you!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Morton
Summer Show Director

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