



# Shirley Junior School

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Southampton Schools Christmas Celebration – Guildhall 4th December 23

Dear parent/carer,

We are excited to announce that the SJS choir will be performing in the Southampton Schools Christmas Celebration Concert at the Guildhall on Monday 4th December. Southampton Music Hub have produced some fantastic new songs especially for the event, which will have performers from across Key Stages 1, 2 and 3, with approximately 350 pupils coming together to sing.

In the coming weeks, we will be learning the new songs and we will have a special workshop from the organisers of the event in school time. We are able to take up to 40 children to this event so if you would like your child to be involved, please complete the form below. If we have more than 40 children interested, we will have to select names at random.

On the day of the event, parents are required to collect their children from school at home time and bring them down to the Guildhall to meet as close to 15:45 as possible. We will then have a rehearsal and sound check with all the other schools, before having a packed dinner backstage.

Family and friends are encouraged to join us in this fun, festive event; tickets are available to purchase through the O2 Guildhall website:

<https://www.academymusicgroup.com/o2guildhallsouthampton/events/1443997/schools-christmas-concert-tickets>

The Music Hub informs us that unfortunately, the booking fee is unavoidable, as it is part of the Guildhall's ticket system.

Seating will be unreserved so arrive with plenty of time to get a good view of the show! After slips have been returned and we know numbers for our choir, we will be able to confirm who is going. As a result, you may want to wait to buy your tickets until then. We will send this information out as quickly as possible.

If you would like your child to take part in this event, you need to:

- Express your child's interest by completing the form attached by Monday 13th November (return to the school office)
- Make arrangements for your child to get to the Guildhall (meeting point to be confirmed nearer to the date) for 15:45
- Send your child with a packed dinner
- Send your child in SJS uniform (perhaps with a bit of extra tinsell!)
- Encourage your child to practise the new songs that we are learning
- Buy tickets through the Guildhall website once we have confirmed who is attending

We hope to have as many of the SJS choir as possible!

Mr Richards and Mrs Booth

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Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class .....

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I would like my child to participate in the Southampton Schools Guildhall Christmas Concert on December 4th.

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I will arrange for my child to arrive at the Guildhall for 3:45pm and collect them from the venue at 9pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name and number for the day of the event: \_\_\_\_\_

**Headteacher : Mrs. A Hixon BA Hons NPQH**

**Deputy Headteacher: Mrs. J Tearle, PGCE**

