

HILLCROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Wednesday 1st March 2017

Sing Up Speak Out- Monday 8th May 2017 at 7pm. Royal Albert Hall Performance

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are aware year 5 will be participating in Merton Music Foundations (MMF) forthcoming massed choir project which will take place in the **Royal Albert Hall on Monday 8**th **May 2017 at 7pm.**

This year the project is entitled 'Speak Up, Speak Out' (SUSO) and has been specially commissioned by MMF and Polka Theatre to develop confidence and skills of Literacy, Music and performance.

Rehearsals for the event have been taking place over the last few months and the year 5 children are sounding absolutely amazing! They are well on their way to learning all the songs ready for the big day.

Please find below some important information and dates about the event:

Tuesday 14th March

We will be rehearsing with Abbotsbury Primary School at Abbotsbury from 1:30pm. Although this is during school time we will finish at Abbotsbury at 3pm, therefore it is likely your child will be a little late back to school. Children should be picked up at approximately 3:20pm at Hillcross on this day.

Tuesday 25th April

We will be rehearsing at Harris Academy Morden at 1:30 to 3:30pm. This is for a full rehearsal with the massed choir. We will therefore be late back to school. Children should be picked up from Hillcross at approximately 4pm.

Sunday 7th May

Hillcross will be rehearsing at Harris Academy Morden at 1:30 to 4pm. Although I understand this is at the weekend this is the only date the Jazz band (who are accompanying the massed choir) can rehearse. Please could you drop your child at Harris Academy at 1pm where a member of Hillcross staff will be there to greet them and then please collect from them from there at 4pm.

Monday 8th May

On the day of the event children must come to school at the normal time. We will be travelling to The Royal Albert Hall for an afternoon rehearsal ready for the concert at 7pm. Parents will be expected to collect their children from The Royal Albert Hall or to arrange for another parent to bring them home. Further information will be sent nearer the time.

T-Shirts

Your child will need to wear a SUSO T-shirt for the event. Hillcross families have been asked to purchase **orange** T-shirts which can only be purchased from www.buytshirtsonline.co.uk. Please log on and purchase these for your child in plenty of time!

<u>Tickets</u>

Tickets are now on sale from the Royal Albert Hall Box Office - get yours quickly as they are selling out fast!













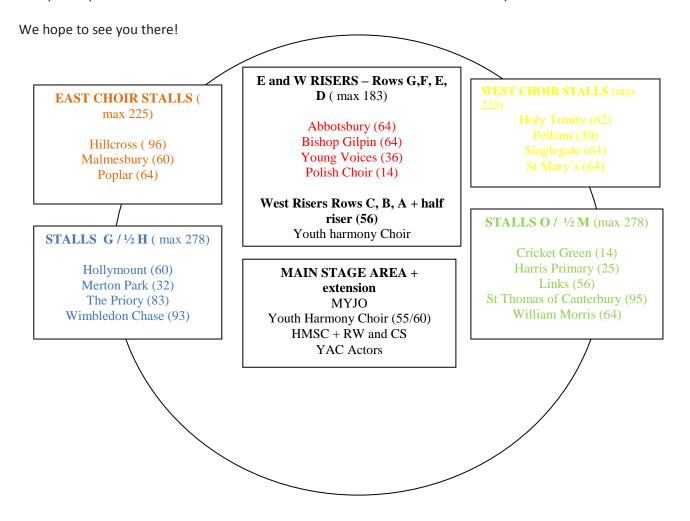






The cheapest ticket via phone or website is £14.79 (Including the RAH booking and other fees). The most expensive box seat is £38.25 and there is a range of prices in-between, so hopefully all parents will find something that is affordable. Please go to http://www.royalalberthall.com/tickets/events/2017/music-is-for-life/ for further details.

For guidance, parents will get the best view if they buy tickets on the opposite side of the hall from where their child is seated i.e. If a child is sitting on the West side, parents should buy tickets on the East side (or towards the middle). See the guide below, which shows that Hillcross will be on the East Side so it is therefore recommended that you buy tickets on West side or the middle sections to have the best view of your child.



All the songs and more information can also be found on the SOSU blog (https://speakupspeakout2017.com/)

Thank you for your continued support.

Cath Reidy (Creative Arts Leader)