



# St Catherine's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

The Key Stage 2 pupils who attend Choir on Mondays, have been invited to represent St Catherine's Catholic Primary School at a number of Christmas Carol Performances this year.

**Rotary Carol Concert at St Mary's Church, Littlehampton - Free Event**

Thursday 23 November 2023 at 7pm. Doors open at 6pm, all pupils to arrive by 6.30pm.

**Deanery Advent Service at Arundel Cathedral - Free Event**

Tuesday 5 December 2023 at 6.30pm - pupils to arrive at 6pm.

Rehearsal at St Oscar Romero on Thursday 16 November, travelling by train during the school day.

**Choir Visit to Sing Christmas Carols to Residents of Hale Lodge**

Wednesday 13 December 2023 during the school day.

**Arun Choral Society Carol Concert at Arundel Cathedral - Ticketed Event**

Saturday 9 December 2023 at 4.45pm.

Rehearsal 1.30pm to 3pm. Pupils to arrive for performance by 4.30pm.

These events will require pupils from the choir to be at the venue earlier than the start time and also to attend rehearsals. Pupils should wear full school uniform to all events. Please see below for more details.

**Rotary Carol Concert at St Marys Church, Littlehampton - Free Event**

The first event our choir has been invited to perform at is the Rotary Carol Concert which will take place at St Mary's Church, Church Street, Littlehampton, BN17 5EN on **Thursday 23 November**, where we will be performing alongside other local schools. We would like as many of our choir members to take part as possible. The doors open at 6pm and **pupils need to arrive by 6.30pm wearing full school uniform**. The performance is due to start at 7pm and parents are welcome to stay.

**Deanery Advent Service at Arundel Cathedral - Free Event**

Our choir has been selected to form part of a larger choir leading the singing at our Deanery Advent Service this year. We have been learning a selection of Advent songs which will feature in the service at Arundel Cathedral, London Road, Arundel, BN18 9AY, on the evening of Tuesday 5 December.

**Pupils should arrive at Arundel Cathedral wearing full school uniform by 6pm on Tuesday 5 December** and parents are encouraged to join us for this service which will last approximately one hour.

Your child will also be attending a rehearsal at St Oscar Romero Catholic School on Thursday 16 November. We will travel to St Oscar Romero by train and return to school in time for lunch, the cost of the train ticket is £2.80 and we are requesting a £2 contribution from each child to help cover the cost.

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The Advent Service is a lovely family event so I hope you will come along and enjoy it. In previous years the Cathedral has been incredibly full so do arrive early to get a seat.

**Choir Visit to Sing Christmas Carols to Residents of Hale Lodge**

On Wednesday 13 December our Choir will be visiting and singing carols to the residents of Hale Lodge in Littlehampton. The visit will be during the afternoon, immediately after lunch, and we will be back at school for normal home time at 3.15pm. If any parents or carers are able to accompany the choir to Hale Lodge please let the office know.

**Arun Choral Society Carol Concert at Arundel Cathedral - Ticketed Event**

Our Choir have also been invited to sing at the Arun Choral Society Carol Concert at Arundel Cathedral on **Saturday 9 December**. This is a prestigious event and is a fantastic opportunity to demonstrate our singing skills.

On this day the children are required to attend a rehearsal during the afternoon. Please arrive at 1.15pm to meet Mrs Hart, the rehearsal is due to start at 1.30pm and finishes at 3pm. After the rehearsal children will need to meet back at Arundel Cathedral at 4.30pm wearing their school uniform. You will need to arrange your own transportation for this event.

As your child will be performing, you are entitled to cheaper tickets for a period of time. We have a limited number of tickets available to purchase from the School Office and the allocation is a maximum of 2 adult tickets per family and a few available for siblings. The adult tickets are £5.00 each and £2.00 for under 18's. Tickets at these subsidised prices will be on sale until Wednesday 6 December or until they sell out. After this date further tickets can be obtained from the ACS Box Office at the full price of £7.00 per adult and £2.00 per child.

Please indicate on the next page if your child will be taking part in any of these Christmas Carol Events.

Please also complete the ticket slip if you would like to buy tickets for the Arun Choral Society Carol Concert and return to the school office together with the number of tickets and payment for tickets you require.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Croghan  
Headteacher

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**PERMISSION FOR ST CATHERINE'S CHOIR**  
**CHRISTMAS CAROL PERFORMANCES**

Child's Name ..... Class .....

I give permission for my child to take part in the following Christmas performances and rehearsals (Please tick for each event).

**Rotary Carol Concert at St Mary's Church, Littlehampton   ☐ YES   ☐ NO**

- I understand that I will need to transport my child to and from St Mary's Church on Thursday 23 November and they should wear their school uniform for the performance.

**Deanery Advent Service at Arundel Cathedral   ☐ YES   ☐ NO**

- I give permission for my child to attend the rehearsal at St Oscar Romero on Thursday 16 November and travel by train with a member of staff.
- I will make a payment of £2 to help cover the cost of the train fare.
- I understand that I will need to transport my child to and from Arundel Cathedral on Tuesday 5 December and they should wear their school uniform for the performance.

**Choir Visit to Sing Christmas Carols to Residents of Hale Lodge   ☐ YES   ☐ NO**

- I give permission for my child to visit Hale Lodge on Wednesday 13 December.
- I am available to accompany the choir to Hale Lodge.   ☐ YES   ☐ NO   Name .....

**Arun Choral Society Carol Concert at Arundel Cathedral   ☐ YES   ☐ NO**

- I understand that I will need to transport my child to and from Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 9 December for the rehearsal and return for the performance. My child will be wearing their school uniform for the performance.

Parent/Carer Signature ..... Date .....

**ARUN CHORAL SOCIETY CAROL CONCERT**  
**AT ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL ON SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER 2023**

**TICKETS ON SALE UNTIL WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2023**

Child's Name .....

I would like ..... adult tickets (£5.00 each) & ..... under 18 tickets (£2.00 each)

I enclose £..... CASH PAYMENTS ONLY PLEASE

Parent/Carer Signature ..... Date .....

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