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Dear Choir Leaders,

Sutton Sings Festival 2025: 'Song Journey'
KS1: Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th June 2025
St. Andrew's United Reformed Church, Cheam (SM2 7HF)

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your choirs at St. Andrew's United Reformed Church in a few weeks for our *Sutton Sings Festival*! Please read the following final information, which includes some reminders about how the day will work.

Here are a few reminders and requests about things to do ahead of the day...

- During the rehearsals, your choir are welcome to sit and watch the other choirs rehearse, however, they will need to sit in silence so they might like to bring a book with them. Alternatively, if it is a nice day, you are welcome to sit outside during your break. We recommend that your singers bring a packed lunch/snack and water bottle.
- We ask that the choirs are dressed in smart school uniform for the concerts. This will enable us to identify individual schools on the day quickly and efficiently.
- Due to space restrictions, we would ask that children keep belongings to a minimum.
- Each school will be provided with 2 plastic boxes labelled with your school's name. All belongings should be placed in these boxes before the performance for storage during the concert. These boxes will be returned to you at the end of the concert for you to distribute back to your children.
- During the concert, your school choir will sit and watch the other choirs perform. The massed sing will take place towards the end of the concert. We would ask that your supervising staff help us with these transitions on and off stage to ensure that everything runs smoothly.
- We would love it if there is a confident child in your choir who might like to introduce your school and solo items before your choir performs. Please practice this before the concert day!

Rehearsal schedule

Please see below the rehearsal schedule for both days. As you can see, each school has a 15-minute rehearsal slot for you to rehearse your school's individual items as well as a massed choir rehearsal. Please arrive promptly for your school/massed choir rehearsal.

Monday 9th June AM

- 9:15 Cheam Park Farm rehearsal (Sally King)
- 9:30 Manor Park Primary Academy rehearsal (Leanne McCormick)
- 9:45 Massed choir (full) rehearsal – **all AM schools must attend**
- 10:30 Seaton House rehearsal (Andrea Milne)
- 10:45 Shawley Community Primary Academy rehearsal (Lisa Robinson)
- 11:00 Doors open
- 11:15 Concert 1 starts
- 12:15 Concert 1 ends

Monday 9th June PM

- 13:00 Tweeddale Primary School rehearsal (Emma Gray)
- 13:15 Hackbridge Primary School rehearsal (Gabby Klein)
- 13:30 Massed choir (full) rehearsal – **all PM schools must attend**
- 14:15 Victor Seymour Infants' School rehearsal (Samantha Morrissy)
- 14:30 West Ashted Primary Academy rehearsal (Sarah Parr)
- 14:45 Doors open
- 15:00 Concert 2 starts
- 16:00 Concert 2 ends

Tuesday 10th June AM

- 9:15 Cheam Common Infants' Academy rehearsal (Bianca Miles-Prouten)
- 9:30 Cheam Fields Primary Academy rehearsal (Sam Ranthe)
- 9:45 Massed choir (full) rehearsal – **all AM schools must attend**
- 10:30 Stanley Park Infants' School rehearsal (Kerry Dring)
- 10:45 Wood Field Primary School rehearsal (Jessica Bourne)
- 11:00 Doors open
- 11:15 Concert 3 starts
- 12:15 Concert 3 ends

Tuesday 10th June PM

- 13:00 Abbey Primary School rehearsal (Helen Foley)
- 13:15 All Saints Benhilton CofE Primary rehearsal (Victoria Mottram)
- 13:30 Massed choir (full) rehearsal – **all PM schools must attend**



14:15 Brookfield Primary Academy rehearsal (Michelle Underwood)
14:30 St. Elphege's RC Infant School rehearsal (Martin Jones)
14:45 Doors open
15:00 Concert 4 starts
16:00 Concert 4 ends

GDPR Permission

During both the rehearsals and the concerts, Sutton Music Trust staff will be taking videos and photo footage to capture the event. Please ensure you have completed the below form:

[GDPR form for schools - Sutton Sings Festival 2025](#)

VIPs

We would like to offer two VIP tickets per school for your Head Teacher/Deputy Head Teacher to attend the concert that your school is performing in. Please let us know how many VIP tickets you require and the VIPs names by **Monday 2nd June.**

Tickets

Tickets are selling fast, however we have some remaining which can be purchased using the below link:

[Sutton Music Trust event tickets from TicketSource.](#)

As there are four KS1 concerts, please remind your parents which concert your choir are singing in and send them the link for that concert.

Once again, many thanks for taking part in our *Sutton Sings Festival!* We look forward to seeing you in a few weeks!

Best wishes,
Emily

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