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Dear Choir Leaders,

Sutton Sings Festival 2025: KS1 'Up, Up, and Away!'

Many thanks for attending our CPD session last night. I hope you found it useful and that you and your KS1 choirs are excited about taking part in our *Sutton Sings Festival!* Our over-arching theme for the festival is 'Up, Up, and Away!'. This broad theme can include songs about the sun, moon, stars, flying, space - the possibilities are endless!

Resources

Using the link below, you will be able to access a Sharepoint folder which contains all of the resources for the project. Please feel free to photocopy the lyric sheet for your choir to take home and practice the songs. I have also included the PowerPoint from the CPD session last night, as well as some more detailed notes to help you teach the massed songs to your singers. **Please make sure that you read through these notes, especially if you were unable to attend the CPD session!** I do hope that you find these resources useful - please let me know if you have any trouble accessing the folder.

[KS1 Sutton Sings Festival 2026 Resources](#)

In addition to this, you will receive an e-mail from Sing Up with a log in to access the full resources for 'Aitken Drum', 'Let's go fly a kite' and 'Higher and Higher'. You will have access to Sing Up for 12 weeks; please ensure you download all of the resources in good time.

Satellite Vocal workshops

As explained at the CPD session, all choirs will have the opportunity to attend a 1.5 hour satellite vocal workshop, hosted at a local primary school at the end of April/beginning of May. I will group the participating schools geographically and contact the host schools to make arrangements. As soon as this process is complete, I will be in touch to confirm the date, time and location of your

workshop. Whilst I appreciate this will involve some logistics and travel to another school, I hope that you will agree that bringing the children together to sing before the concert will be hugely beneficial and result in a much more confident performance on the day!

The aim of the vocal workshop is to bring the choirs together and work on the massed choir songs in detail. There will not be time to be teaching the songs during this session so please make sure that your choir come prepared, ready to refine the songs, experiment with the harmony parts and have fun!

Song choices

We would like your choir to prepare two individual items (max. 5 minutes in total), related to our theme 'Up, Up, and Away!', to perform in the concert. In order to avoid repetition of pieces within the same concert, please email me your song choices and sheet music/backing tracks by **Monday 27th April**. There will be a house band (piano, drums, bass) available to accompany your choir on the day but you are welcome to bring your own accompanist if you would prefer; please let me know. If you are struggling to source the sheet music for a particular song, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will do my best to help.

Concert allocations

Please see your school's allocation below:

Monday 8th June AM Concert	Monday 8th June PM Concert
Cheam Park Farm Primary Academy	All Saints Benhilton C of E Primary School
Manor Park Primary Academy	Cheam Common Infants
Seaton House	Hackbridge Primary School
	St. Mary's Catholic Nursery & Infants School

Tuesday 9th June AM Concert	Tuesday 9th June PM Concert
Cheam Fields Primary Academy	Brookfield Primary Academy
Robin Hood Infants	St. Elphege's Infants
Shawley Community Primary Academy	West Ashtead Primary School
Stanley Park Infants School	Westbourne Primary School

With regard to the schedule for the day, I will be in contact in due course to confirm arrangements. Once again, many thanks for taking part in our *Sutton Sings*



Festival. We look forward to working with you and your choirs on what promises to be a really exciting event!

Best Wishes,

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