

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to tell you that Year 5 have been given the opportunity to be part of the exciting music project **'Change is Coming' Royal Albert Hall Massed Choral Project**.

This performance project will consist of a **series of choral rehearsals** between October 2023 and March 2024, culminating in an evening performance at the **Royal Albert Hall** on **Monday 11 March 2024**.

The project is being provided as part of Merton Music Foundation's (MMF) **'With One Voice' Singing Strategy** (a core element of the National Music Plan) and aims to provide children in Years 5, 6 and KS3+ with access to high quality and inspiring choral opportunities. This intensive project will provide challenging opportunities for pupils (and staff!) to develop their vocal, choral and general musicianship skills.

The MMF have teamed up with **Pete Churchill** and **Adam Saunders**, who have written the music with 2 young singer-songwriters, **Ineza Kerschkamp** and **Immy Churchill**. This 'Song Squad' will also lead some of the rehearsals, alongside **Soo Bishop** from the MMF.

Pupils will receive a series of 5 half-day choral workshops + a final dress rehearsal and performance at the RAH. These rehearsals will take place largely in Merton schools.

Here is the current schedule for upcoming rehearsals and the final performance for your diaries

Date	Time	Location	Leading adults
Tuesday 18 th October 2023	11:00am – 12:20pm	Morden Primary	Soo
Friday 3 rd November 2023	9.45am – 11.30am	Abbotsbury Primary	Soo & Immy
Friday 12 th January 2024	9.45am – 11.30am	Hillcross Primary	Soo
Friday 9 th February 2024	9.45am – 11.30am	Abbotsbury Primary	Soo & Immy
Mon 4 th or Tues 5 th March 2024 TBC	TBC	St Mark's Church	Soo, Pete, Adam, Immy & Ineza
Monday 11th March 2024	3:00pm – 5:15pm (Arrival time TBC)	The Royal Albert Hall	Soo, Pete, Adam, Immy & Ineza
Monday 11th March 2024	7:00pm – 10:00pm	The Royal Albert Hall	Soo, Pete, Adam, Immy & Ineza

Visiting the Royal Albert Hall will be a fantastic opportunity for our children, especially after learning about The Victorians this half-term.

More information about the up-coming event will be brought to your attention when it is available.

The following links may be of interest to you, on our journey towards the exciting musical event: www.royalalberthall.com
www.mmf.org.uk

Kind regards,

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