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Headteacher Mr A Gallagher

Dear Parents,

**JUNIOR MUSIC FESTIVAL 2021 – Change is a Comin’!
HEXAGON, READING UPDATE!**

Due to the rising number of COVID cases in the area at the moment, a decision has been made by Maestros to change the Reading Area Junior Music Festival in November. In order to keep students and staff safe, there will no longer be a live audience at the event, but Maestros will instead produce a filmed recording. This will ensure distancing between school groups, as they can be seated around the whole auditorium.

All recording will take place on Wednesday 24th November 2021. The schools will be separated into concert day groups in order to ensure there is enough room for everyone with plenty of social distancing. We will arrive at the Hexagon between **10.45 – 11.30**

11.30 – 13.00 Rehearsal & recordings.

13.00 – 13.30 Lunch break. Please bring a packed lunch. Ideally this will be eaten outside but if weather doesn't allow we will allocate spaces within the building.

13.30 – 15.00 Rehearsal & recordings.

15.00 Finish

(Our area rehearsal will now take place virtually at school on Thursday 11th November.

The day will be as much like a live experience for the children as possible, so that they can still experience the buzz of singing with a massed ensemble, and with a live orchestra accompanying them. Given the large number of performers involved and the huge recording and editing task at hand, there will be one recording to include both Tuesday and Wednesday schools. As a result, your children may not be recorded performing every song. In order for our school to participate in the video recording of this event, it's essential that we have video permissions for **EVERY** child.

Parents will still be able to purchase tickets to watch the video recording of the event at a later date online, but this won't be through the Hexagon box office. Details will be sent out as soon as they are confirmed.

Please complete the consent form below and return to the school office no later than **Friday 12th November.**

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Eyre

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JUNIOR MUSIC FESTIVAL 2021

HEXAGON, READING – WEDNESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER RECORDING

Name would like to take part in the Junior Music Festival at The Hexagon on Wednesday 24th November. I give permission for my child to be filmed during the recording.

..... signeddate

.....please print name