

## 02 Young Voices trip 2025

*“We're the heartbeat of music for primary schools across the UK, where children and teachers unite in an electrifying choir experience. Through our unforgettable concerts, children discover their voices, gain confidence and create lasting memories.” Young Voices website.*

This year, we invited children in Key Stage 2 to join a Young Voices Choir which met every Wednesday lunchtime through the Autumn and Spring terms with Mrs Burton, our Music lead, to learn, rehearse and prepare for the annual concert. Young Voices is always a spectacular event with over 8000 school children coming together to sing a collection of medleys and hits, old and new, to an audience of family and friends.

The day trip saw the choir and teachers meeting at Haywards Heath train station in the morning to journey to London Bridge and then take the tube in order to get to the O2 arena. There were rehearsals first in the afternoon and then the concert started at 7pm so it was a long day but the children thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience and as one parent said, *‘It will be a life long memory for them.’*

Enrichment plays such an important part in educating our pupils and in helping them flourish as those special moments, trips, visits, sporting events and church services really do carve memories and can help shape the future. One artist who performed a solo at the O2 this year was herself in a Young Voices school choir eight years ago at the same venue. Dreams can come true and we truly believe our school vision which says, *‘children leave us as fearless lifelong learners, ready to meet the world with curiosity and resilience.’*

