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Wednesday 3rd October 2018

Dear Head teacher,

SADDLEWORTH BIG SING

It is with great pleasure and excitement that I invite interested young singers from your primary school to attend a brand new vocal ensemble as part of the Dovestone Learning Partnership's commitment to high quality music making.

The SADDLEWORTH BIG SING is an inclusive choir that will welcome any young singers who wish to make musical progress, who wish to be part of a team and, importantly, have fun on a weekly basis. The SADDLEWORTH BIG SING will work specifically with two different age ranges:

Choir 1 is aimed at students in years 3 and 4 and will rehearse 3:45pm – 4:30pm every Thursday

Choir 2 is aimed at students in years 5 and 6 and will rehearse 4:45pm - 5:30pm every Thursday

It is my vision that these choral ensembles will have the opportunity to join forces at some point throughout the academic year to create a large scale joint performance and celebrate the fine work I am certain the boys and girls of the SADDLEWORTH BIG SING will enjoy presenting. There will be a focus on quality vocal skills, singing for pleasure and presenting enjoyable repertoire with music from the charts, films, musicals and music written especially for children's choir.

This choral project is open to any student from a DLP school and is free of charge to attend. There will be a high focus on having fun and engaging with high quality music making – any boy or girl interested in joining this exciting new ensemble should complete the attached form and return it to your DLP primary school where the letters can be collated and then returned all together to Garrath Beckwith – Curriculum Leader of Music at Saddleworth School. ALL reply forms need to be returned to Saddleworth School by no later than Friday 12th October 2018.

I hope you will join me in spreading the word about this very exciting vocal project – a further musical opportunity in the Saddleworth area to add to our rich and proud musical tradition. I have already made enquiries into performance opportunities in Saddleworth and further afield with some potentially exciting projects in the pipeline for this academic year. More details to follow in due course.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support of all things musical at Saddleworth School and within the Dovestones Learning Partnership - your support is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Garrath Beckwith
Curriculum Leader of Music



SADDLEWORTH BIG SING

FIRST REHEARSAL – THURSDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2018

- Student registration form 2018/2019 academic year (to be completed by parent / carer)

Child's Name	
DLP Primary School	
School Year Group	
Contact Telephone Number 1 + name	
Contact Telephone Number 2 + name	
Email address	
Medical information (if appropriate)	

- **Important rehearsal information.**

SADDLEWORTH BIG SING – YEARS 3/4	
Arrival Time	Between 3:30pm and 3:45pm in the Main Hall, Saddleworth School
Rehearsal Start Time	3:45pm prompt
Pick Up Time	4:30pm prompt – collection from outside School reception
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order for the choir to run smoothly the above times must be adhered to in terms of dropping off and collecting your son / daughter from outside the main reception of Saddleworth School. • Any parent(s) / carer(s) wishing to stay for rehearsals are very welcome to do so – seating will be available at the back of the school hall. 	

SADDLEWORTH BIG SING – YEARS 5/6	
Arrival Time	Between 4:30pm and 4:45pm in the Main Hall, Saddleworth School
Rehearsal Start Time	4:45pm prompt
Pick Up Time	5:30pm prompt – collection from outside School reception
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order for the choir to run smoothly the above times must be adhered to in terms of dropping off and collecting your son / daughter from outside the main reception of Saddleworth School. • Any parent(s) / carer(s) wishing to stay for rehearsals are very welcome to do so – seating will be available at the back of the school hall. 	

Please return this registration form to your primary school reception – to be forwarded to Garrath Beckwith at Saddleworth School by no later than Friday 12th October 2018.