



The Hospice of St. Francis Carol Service
Friday 2nd December Rehearsal, and Sunday 4th December CONCERT
FINAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Dear Parents and choir members,

As the rehearsal and concert dates draw near, I wanted to write to you with some important final details for the event. The Hospice are looking forward to us coming and bringing that all important Christmas feeling to the event, with our fantastic music! Please see all the details below for the day: **PLEASE READ ALL DETAILS CAREFULLY**

- **The rehearsal on Friday 2nd of December starts at 4.30pm prompt.** You child will need their water bottle and a snack. Please try to arrive from **4.10pm** onwards for the rehearsal to start on time.
- The rehearsal will now be held in a different part of The Hemel Hempstead school, in order to get our staging and in place, ahead of Sunday. Our rehearsal will be held in a building called **PA34**, and details of how to find it are below:
- Please arrive at The Hemel Hempstead School via the **ANCHOR LANE** entrance. When you go through the blue main gates, turn immediately right and park in the car park. Walk to the bottom of the car park, where you will head through some further black gates. **PA34** is directly ahead of you. It is a white building. PA34 is written in the door and is on a small blue sign. Please try to park in the main carpark, as the one immediately outside PA34 is much smaller.
- If the weather permits, please meet your teacher outside PA34 to register and then your group can all come in together. If it is raining, please come straight in and meet your teachers inside. **There is not room for parents to wait in PA34.** All teachers will bring the children out at 6.00pm. Please bear with us as each school will leave one at a time.
- **DMS SMMS** choir can come directly into the building on arrival and will be last leaving at 6.00pm

On **Sunday 4th December** at the Cathedral concert, please meet your school/music centre choirs at the Cathedral. Our rehearsal slot is from 1.45pm, so please arrive by **1.15pm** in order to start promptly. Parents can leave children from 1.15pm and be back at the event for a **3pm start**. All children will need a drink and snack for the time in between the rehearsal and performance. At the end of the performance, please check with your school as to how they will ensure children and parents are united safely. **DMS children** will remain seated and we will be asking parents to come to us, to collect them. Concert dress is School uniform trousers/skirt and a Christmas Jumper.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at this very special event.

Best Wishes,

Nyree O'Brien
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Hertfordshire Music Service.