



Developing Potential without Limitations

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

RE Year 6 Garsington 'The Big Sing' Friday 6th July 2018

Following the successful project work, we are now heading towards the final 'Big Sing' where the children in year 6 get to perform on the Garsington main stage at Wormsley Park. The schedule for the day is as follows:

9:00 Arrive at Wormsley Estate and register with Mrs Goodchild
9:30 Begin warm ups and rehearsal
12:30 Lunch break
1:15 Performance

For the 'Big Sing', all year 6 children will need to come **wearing a plain bright coloured t-shirt** (it can be one that has been turned inside out) with their **normal grey/black school shorts or skirt**. The opera organisers are hoping that the children's choice of colours will be inspired by birds of paradise - no black or grey t-shirts are allowed. In school, we will be making head bands, also inspired by birds or paradise, to wear on the day.

We ask that parents drop their children off at **Wormsley Park at 9:00** to meet Mrs Goodchild and the accompanying staff by the gateway at the top of the main car park. Parking directions have been issued by the estate and are on the reverse of this letter. You will be able to collect your child from Mrs Goodchild at the end of the performance at **2:15pm**.

Although this is not a ticketed event, I do need to provide final numbers of parents attending the Big Sing Performance which **begins at 1:15pm**. We have been allowed a maximum of 2 adult tickets per child performing. Please indicate below whether you would like 1 or 2 tickets.

If you are not able to attend, please let me know who will be attending and collecting your child by completing the slip below.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jo Reid BA (Hons), PGCE, MA, NPQH
Headteacher

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My child will be collected by _____ at 2:15pm.

I require _____ ticket(s) for the Big Sing. (maximum of 2 tickets per child)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Wormsley Estate Information

Wormsley Estate, Stokenchurch, Buckinghamshire HP14 3YG

Use of the postcode with satellite navigation devices can be unreliable so please follow these directions:

Exit the M40 at junction 5 and take the road signposted to Ibstone. After about a quarter of a mile you'll pass houses on your left. Opposite a bus-stop/layby on your left, turn right into the Wormsley Estate drive. To reach the opera site continue along the drive for one and a half miles.

Parking

- You may be asked to remain on site for up to 20–30 minutes before leaving in order that we can safely manage traffic in and out of the estate.
- The auditorium is just over a mile down the Getty's private drive, on the edge of a deer park. The speed limit on the Estate is strictly 20mph. Please watch out for speed bumps, as well as deer and pheasants! Driving/stopping on the grass verges is prohibited as it ruins the grass – if you meet another vehicle you must reverse to a passing place without the need to drive on the verges.
- All parking is in the main car park (large field adjacent to the cricket ground), which is signposted as you approach a sharp right turn on the drive. It is then a 5-minute walk up the driveway to the auditorium. There is no parking or dropping off at the top of the driveway by the auditorium.

What to bring

- Warm layers of clothing
- An umbrella / raincoat if the weather looks bad
- Comfortable footwear
- A packed lunch/picnic
- Water bottle

Areas to use

There are pathways marked by the mowed grass – we recommend sticking to these rather than walking in the longer grass. Guests should bring a picnic/packed lunch as there will not be catering on site. In good weather, feel free to make use of the grass area by the lake – there are some tables and chairs provided. There are also a few benches on the lawn in front of Home Farm Barn.

Areas to avoid

Our opera house is in an unusual location and there are several areas to avoid – please be aware of the following:

- Beyond Tent 1, at the far end of the lake, there is an electric fence to keep the deer separate from audience. Please avoid going as far as this.
- Please avoid crossing the bridge onto the Island Pavilion, or going close up to the lake in the Deer Park.
- Please do not walk onto the cricket pitch itself but do enjoy the views from around it.
- Please do not cross under the stage, or under the steps at the back of the opera house.
- Please avoid dining in the opera garden (Stage Left).
- There is a 2-metre drop (marked by a rope on the ground) around the edge of the Ha-Ha (the lawn area between the opera garden and the start of the Deer Park).
- Any other backstage / out of bounds areas are clearly marked.