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Monday 2nd March

Dear Parents,

Basingstoke Primary Schools Music Concert – Tuesday 23rd June and Wednesday 24th June
Dance Opportunity

The Basingstoke Primary Schools Music Concert is an annual event which takes place at The Anvil for two evening performances in June. This concert brings together 17 local primary schools, involving over 400 children in a massed choir, orchestra and dance extravaganza. We have been part of this event for many years and it has always been a very worthwhile and exciting experience for our children. The theme this year is 'Heroes and Villains'.

Your child has expressed an interest in taking part in this event as a dancer. In order to take part children need to be able to learn the routine quickly and be confident performing to an audience. We will be holding auditions on **Friday 6th March at 8:00 am in the Junior School hall**. Your child will need to arrive at school in clothes suitable to dance in and their school uniform in a bag. After the auditions, your child will change into their school uniform and then make their way directly to their classrooms. The Anvil have reduced the numbers of dancers allowed to attend to 8 children in each school participating. Your child will be notified if they are successful in gaining a place by Monday 24th March.

If your child is successful they will need to commit to attending rehearsals on the following dates (please note some are Fridays and some are Mondays):

8.00 am Friday 20th March
8.00 am Monday 23rd March
8.00 am Friday 17th April
8.00 am Friday 24th April,
8.00 am Monday 27th April
8.00 am Friday 8th May
8.00 am Friday 15th May
8.00 am Friday 22nd May
8.00 am Friday 5th June
8.00 am Monday 8th June
8.00 am Friday 19th June

They will also need to practise in their own time. As well as the regular practises at school, your child will need to attend rehearsals with other schools and both evening performance. The dates are:

Date	Rehearsal/Performance	Location	Time
Friday 19th June	Rehearsal	Christ Church, Chineham (we will provide transport)	9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday 23rd June	Rehearsal	The Anvil (children can either meet us at The Anvil or we can transport the dancers)	9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday 23rd June	Performance	The Anvil (parent to transport)	Arrive by 6:30 p.m. for 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 24th June	Performance	The Anvil (parent to transport)	Arrive by 6:30 p.m. for 7:00 p.m.

Both evening performances are due to finish at approximately 8.30 pm. The school will provide transport to and from the rehearsal at Christ Church and the day rehearsal at the Anvil, so you will be able to bring your child to school as usual, but unfortunately we are unable to provide transport for the evening performances so it would also require a commitment by you to ensure your child is transported to and from the concert. If this is a problem please contact us as it might be possible to help arrange car sharing.

Please do not allow your child to attend the auditions if you are not in a position to commit to the above.

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please contact the Federation Admin Office.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs K Branch and Miss N Arnold

BASINGSTOKE PRIMARY SCHOOLS MUSIC CONCERT – 23rd and 24th June 2025

Child's name …….

Child's class……

To be agreed and signed by your child:

- I would like to dance in the BPSM Anvil Concerts. I agree to attend dance rehearsals and I will put in the extra work to learn and practise the dance routine.

Signed…….(Child)

Date……

To be completed by the parent:

I give permission for my child to attend the dance auditions on **Friday 6th March at 8:00 am**.
If my child is successful, I will ensure:

That my child attends all of the rehearsals listed in the letter above.

- That my child attends the evening performances on Tuesday 23rd June and Wednesday 24th June.
- That my child is transported to and from the evening performances.

Signed…… (Parent)

Please print name……..

Date ……