



Ordsall Primary School

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Play, Learn and Grow...Together!

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Dear Parents/Carers,

OrdFest – Whole School Singing Event – Thursday 25th June 2026

We are delighted to invite you to OrdFest 2026, our annual whole-school singing event, which will take place on **Thursday 25th June at 1.30pm**. Parents and carers are welcome to arrive from 1.15pm and make their way to the Phase 2 field. Signage will be in place to direct you whether you enter through the top gate or the main entrance.

OrdFest is one of the highlights of our school year and provides an opportunity for our whole school community to come together and celebrate the children's achievements through music and singing. The event has a relaxed, festival-style atmosphere and children are encouraged to come to school dressed in comfortable and appropriate 'OrdFest' festival-style clothing.

Throughout the afternoon, each year group, along with our school choir, will perform a song. Between performances, parents and carers will be entertained by our compere, Johnny Flinton, who will help keep the festival atmosphere going throughout the event.

To help improve transitions between performances and reduce congestion around the performance area, we will be making a slight change to the format this year. Rather than joining their families after they have performed, children will remain seated with their class and enjoy watching the other performances. We hope this will create a smoother-running event and ensure all children can enjoy the full afternoon together.

The event will conclude with a whole-school (and parent/carer!) performance of Sweet Caroline, so please be ready to join in and help bring the afternoon to a memorable close.

Morning Nursery children are welcome to return for the event. Please drop them off at the Sensory Hub door (opposite the School Bungalow) at **1.15pm** – a member of Nursery staff will be by the door if you are unsure.

The following will be available to purchase before and after school each day from Monday 22nd June. Sales will take place outside the school office near the school car park. **Please note that all purchases will be cash only.**

- **50/50 raffle tickets** – £1 per strip (the winning ticket will receive half of the total pot, with the remaining proceeds going towards new music resources)
- **OrdFest merchandise** (coloured hats, head garlands, ribbons, heart/star-shaped sunglasses and shutter shades) – £1 to £2 per item. Photos of the merchandise will be shared on our Facebook page nearer to the date.

In addition to the above, ice lollies will be on sale for £1 from the School Bungalow after the event.

Please be aware, due to OrdFest taking place and children leaving slightly earlier than the typical school day, all after school enrichment clubs will be cancelled on this day. Treehouse wraparound care will continue as normal.

The event is expected to last approximately one hour. To support the smooth running of the afternoon, children will not be able to leave early during the performance. At the end of the event, children will return to their classrooms and should be collected from their usual classroom doors.

You are welcome to take photographs and videos for personal use, although do not share these on social media.

We are really looking forward to what promises to be a joyful and memorable afternoon.

Yours sincerely,

Karl Hopkinson - Headteacher