



5th September 2022

An Invitation to Sing!

Do you like to sing? Would you like to be part of our junior choirs?

Run by churches in **Chew Valley West** group of churches, our choirs provide music-making opportunities for all children aged 7 to 14. There are so many benefits to singing and being part of a choir, so we hope you will enjoy finding out more and will be inspired to join us.

Who can join?

Our choirs are open to everyone, whether you feel you have a connection with our churches or not. **Mini Melodies** is aimed at children between the ages of 7 and 9. **Jubilee!** is for the older age group, between 9 and 14 years old.

What will it involve?

We will meet weekly during school term to make music together. **Mini Melodies** will introduce some of the basics of singing such as rhythm and melody through fun songs and activities. Members of **Jubilee!** learn to sing music in a wide variety of styles.

When do you meet?

Mini Melodies choir meets at **Chew Stoke Church School** on Tuesdays, 3:30–4:30pm during school term. **Jubilee!** meets at Chew Stoke Church School on Thursdays, 3:30–4:30pm during school term.

Start Dates

Mini Melodies	Tuesday 13 th September 2022, 3:30pm
Jubilee!	Thursday 15 th September 2022, 3:30pm

How much does it cost?

Both choirs are free. Tuition and resources are provided.

Who takes the rehearsals?

Rehearsals will be run by our Vicar, **Rev Dr Ian Mills**. Ian was a full-time musician before he was ordained to the ministry and comes to us with years of experience of music-making both in church and in the community. He has worked as a Cathedral Organist and with choirs such

as the National Youth Choir of Northern Ireland as well as recording, broadcasting and giving recitals.

What are the benefits of singing in a choir?

Lots! Increased confidence, help with literacy and numeracy, experience of working as part of a team, and a sense of achievement are just some of the proven advantages of singing together and of course having fun!

What's the next step?

Please complete the attached registration form and either return it to Chew Stoke Church School office, or by email to: office@chewstokeacademy.org

You can download a copy of the registration form and find out more about the work of our group of churches on our website:

www.chewvalleywest.org/childrens-choir



CHEW STOKE St Andrew
FELTON St Katharine
NEMPNETT THRUBWELL St Mary
REGIL St James
WINFORD St Mary & St Peter
www.chewvalleywest.org

Or for further information contact:

Mrs Carole Hope or Mrs Liz Dagger at Chew Stoke Church School – 01275 332354

Registration Slip – Please detach & Return to School Office -----

Child's Name _____ School _____

Parent/Carer's Name _____

Parent/Carer Contact Number _____

I agree to collect my child promptly at 4.30pm signed _____

Photo permission* Yes _____ No _____

Please Tick preferred Choir Group (this is flexible please choose favoured day):

Mini Melodies (Aged 7-9 Tuesdays) _____ Jubilee! (Ages 9+ Thursdays) _____

*From time to time we may require to use choir photos in local newspapers and our website/facebook pages.