

## St Stephen Churchtown Academy & St Stephen Churchtown Nursery

Head of School: Miss L James



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We are excited to announce that plans for Songfest 2021 have now been put into place which will enable all our students, not just a single choir of 12, to take part! Usually, we take a group of year 4 pupils although last year's group got as far as the dress rehearsal before the event unfortunately had to be cancelled.

There will be 4 online, virtual Songfest concerts in March (for schools in the North, East, Mid and West of the county) for the children to sing along to either at home or from their bubbles in school. These will be on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March, during the school day. Over 100 schools are taking part so potentially there will be hundreds of children all singing in a massed concert together.

To learn the songs our area's leader Patrick Bailey, is creating a series of films which will be released each week for you to practice at home, as well as being able to use them in the classroom with students still in school. They are films teaching the songs as though he is leading the children in person including a warmup.

It would be fantastic if as many of our children as possible can take part in this opportunity. Because of the lyrics and difficulty of the songs it is recommended for year 4 and above but if you have a sibling at home of a younger (or older) age there is no reason why they cannot join in too.

The links for the first two songs are below, no word sheets are needed as the words come up on screen.

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Song 1 I'm still singing (3) Songfest 21: song #1 I'm Still Singing - YouTube Song 2 Happy https://youtu.be/jB2010YT1JQ

Many thanks for supporting your children

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