

Suffolk Schools Christmas Charity Music Project 2008

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One Christmas is a Christmas Music Project being run across many Primary Schools in East Suffolk for Christmas 2008. The project will culminate with the release of a professionally recorded music CD, DVD and a series of seven concerts at the Spa Pavilion theatre in Felixstowe.

It is anticipated that over 2000 children from 42 local primary schools will be participating in the project by singing on the CD, DVD and at the concerts.

The 42 schools involved are listed below:

FELIXSTOWE: Colneis Junior, Kingsfleet Primary, Grange Primary, Trimley St Martin Primary, Trimley St Mary Primary, Causton Junior, Langer Primary, Fairfield infants, Maidstone Rd Infants

WOODBRIDGE: Woodbridge Primary, Creeting St Mary Primary, Eyke Primary, Kyson Primary, Melton Primary, Rendlesham Primary, Sandlings Primary, St Marys Primary

IPSWICH: Henley Primary, Otley Primary, Rushmere Hall Primary, Sidegate Lane Primary, St Johns Primary, St Margaret's Primary, St Marys Primary, St Mathews Primary, Witnesham Primary, St Josephs College KESGRAVE: Beacon Hill Primary (Martlesham), Bucklesham Primary, Birchwood Primary (Martlesham), Cedarwood Primary (Kesgrave), Gorseland Primary (Martlesham Heath), Heath Primary (Kesgrave), Amberfield School DEBENHAM: Sir Robert Hitchams Primary (Debenham), Stonham Aspal CEVAP, Wetheringsett CEVAP, Earl Soham Primary, Helmingham Primary, Occold Primary, Sir Robert Hitcham's CEVAP, Framlingham

The One Christmas Concerts are on the 7^{th} – 13^{th} December inclusive at the Spa Pavilion theatre in Felixstowe, with different schools represented each evening. There will be 200 children on stage singing, with a full live band, singers, dancers and actors and many video inserts. Tickets will be available from mid October from the Spa Box Office on 01394 282126

The One Christmas CD will have 20 tracks and features many Christmas songs old and new, with 6 new songs specially written for the project. The CD will cost £10 and will be released on 29th November. It will be available in local retail outlets in all the towns involved in the project.

The One Christmas DVD will contain music videos of several of the songs on the CD, featuring the children performing the songs. It will also contain additional features on the project including behind the scenes featurettes and also information about the charity Tearfund. The DVD will cost £10 and will be released on the 7th December

The Charity being supported by the project is Tearfund, working in many developing countries throughout the world. The money from One Christmas is going to help projects focussed at helping children in some of the poorest countries in the world. The five previous projects have raised a total of almost £60,000 for Tearfund. The aim is to raise a further £30,000 with this project Tearfund's web site can be found at tearfund.org

The team running the projects all come from local Christian churches across the area

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