



## Massed Choir Festival 2017

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND KEEP THIS NOTE HANDY!**  
It contains everything you need to know about this event.

### **At a Glance** please read the whole note!

- **Cluster Rehearsal:** Fri 11<sup>th</sup> August, Leave Bull Creek PS 11:35am for Churchlands Senior High School Concert Hall. Return to Bull Creek PS approximately 2:50pm.
- **Workshop:** Wed 20<sup>th</sup> September, Leave Bull Creek PS 8:50am for Perth Concert Hall. Return to Bull Creek PS approximately 1:40pm.
- **Performance Rehearsal:** Thur 21<sup>st</sup> September, leave Bull Creek PS at 5:10pm for Perth Concert Hall.
- **Concert:** Thur 21<sup>st</sup> September, 7:30-9:00pm at Perth Concert Hall. There is **no return bus trip** from the concert. Parents are to take students home from Perth Concert Hall.
- **Cost per student:** \$20 (Term Three). Note will go home in Term Three for billing. Do not pay yet.
- **This note** is available on the school website.
- **Tickets will be available from August 7<sup>th</sup>.**
- **UNIFORM requirements** – please read below
- **Practise** the songs at home using the website – [www.massedchoirfestival.org.au](http://www.massedchoirfestival.org.au)

Password for the student page is 'carpetofsilver'

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Your child is taking part in the Massed Choir Festival at the Perth Concert Hall. This is a prestigious event where primary schools join together to form a choir of over 400 voices. This is the first year for it to be held at the Perth Concert Hall.

**Costs:** The cost per student, which contributes to the cost of the transport and festival fees, will be **\$20**, payable near the start of Term Three from your school account. A permission slip will go home next term. Please do not pay yet.

There are also tickets to be purchased for parents, family and friends. They will be available online from August 7<sup>th</sup>. More details will go home at the start of Term 3. Information may also become available on the parent page of the Massed Choir website.

### **Rehearsals and Practising**

There is a lot of preparation to get ready for this event. The selection of songs is at a high level for primary students. Choir rehearsals are held at school every Thursday at 1:55-2:35.

Students can practise the songs at home using the Massed Choir Festival Website. Go to [www.massedchoirfestival.org.au](http://www.massedchoirfestival.org.au) (if you Google Massed Choir Festival it will be the first link) and go to the student page. The password is **carpetofsilver**. There are lyrics, music and choreography for the songs. We are a **Side 1** school so all of our music is on the **right** side (in purple writing). There are also two workshops during school time before the performance date. CDs and music booklets have also been provided to every student.

Here are the finer details for the workshops and concerts. Keep this note in a handy place. If you lose this note you will be able to find it on the Bull Creek Primary School website.

### **Cluster Rehearsal: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 11:35am-2:50pm**

The choir will attend a workshop with other participating schools at the **Churchlands Senior High School Concert Hall**. The bus will leave school at 11:35am and return by approximately 2:50pm. Lunch will be eaten at school beforehand.

Please: (For Cluster Rehearsal on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August)

- Bring a drink bottle of **water** (no sticky or flavoured drinks)
- Wear your best school uniform with either a light blue choir shirt or new school shirt
- Bring your best voice and manners

### **Rehearsal Workshop: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 8:50-1:40**

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The day before the big concert there will be a workshop with conductors Mirelle Hopwood and Mary-Anne Goyder at **Perth Concert Hall**. The bus will be leaving school at **8:50am**. Please do not be late. We will return to school by 1:40pm.

Please:

- Bring **morning tea** and **lunch** in a small plastic bag (no school bags) – No nuts
- Bring a drink bottle of **water** (no sticky or flavoured drinks)
- Wear your best school uniform with either a light blue choir shirt or new school shirt
- Bring your best voice and manners

### **Full Dress Rehearsal/Concert: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 5:10-9:00pm**

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A bus will be leaving Bull Creek Primary School at **5:10pm sharp**. Please do not be late. Students will attend a full dress rehearsal before the concert.

The concert starts at **7:30pm**. This year tickets are reserved seating.

**There will be no return bus.** Parents will take their children home following the concert. If you are unable to attend the concert then you will need to arrange transport for your child.

Please:

- Eat an early dinner before you get to Bull Creek at 5:10pm
- Bring a bottle of **water** (again, no sticky drinks!)
- Wear **choir uniform** – **see below**
- Parents - don't forget to take your star performer home after the concert!

### **Choir Uniform**

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The school will loan students a choir neckpiece for the concert.

You will need to provide: White buttoned collared shirt/blouse (long or short sleeves, not polo), long black pants, black socks, black shoes. No nail polish or jewellery. Long hair to be tied back with navy blue ribbon.

### **Costs, Permission Slips and Tickets**

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The cost per student, which contributes to the cost of transport and festival fees, will be **\$20**. Tickets will go on sale online from August 7th. Seating is reserved. More information will go home in the first week of term Three.

### **Photography/DVD**

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The concert will be professionally filmed and available to purchase on DVD. An order form will go home in the first week of Term Three.

**If you do not wish your child photographed or filmed then they will not be able to take part in the festival.**

The Massed Choir Festival is a prestigious event, a highlight of the year. It is truly amazing how good all of the schools sound when they come together.

If you have any queries, please contact me. I am at school Thursdays and Fridays or you can email me at [timothy.marshall@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:timothy.marshall@education.wa.edu.au).

Thank you for your support,

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