

Massed Choir Festival 2019

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: Tue 27th August, Leave Bull Creek PS 11:10am for Churchlands Senior High School Concert Hall. Return to Bull Creek PS approximately 3:05pm.
- Workshop: Wed 18th September, Leave Bull Creek PS 8:40am for Perth Concert Hall. Return to Bull Creek PS approximately 2:00pm. **NOTE EARLY TIME TO LEAVE.**
- Performance Rehearsal: Fri 20th September, leave Bull Creek PS at 4:45pm for Perth Concert Hall.
- Concert: Fri 20th 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: \$23 Due by 20th August. Please also return the permission slip.
- This note is available on the school website.
- Tickets will be available August 19th from www.perthconcerthall.com.au
- UNIFORM requirements please read below.
- Practise the songs at home using the website www.massedchoirfestival.org.au

Password for the student page is 'percy'.

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 450 voices.

Costs: The cost per student, which contributes to the cost of the transport and festival fees, will be **\$23**, payable before August 20th, along with returning the permission slip. There are also **tickets** to be purchased for parents, family and friends. They will be available from August 19th. See attached note "Ticket Sales" for more information.

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 2:35-3:05. Students can practise the songs at home using CDs and booklets that have been provided and the Massed Choir Festival Website. Go to 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 percy. There are lyrics, music and choreography for the songs. We are a **Side 2** school so all of our music is on the **right** side (in green writing). There are also two workshops during school time before the performance date.

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: Tuesday 27th August, 11:10am-3:05pm

The choir will attend a workshop with other participating schools at the **Churchlands Senior High School Concert Hall**. The bus will leave school 11:10am and return by approximately 3:05pm. Students will eat an early lunch at recess time before boarding the bus. Please:

- Bring a drink bottle of water (no sticky or flavoured drinks).
- Wear your best school uniform.
- Bring your best voice and manners.

Rehearsal Workshop: Wednesday 18th September, 8:40am-2:00pm

Two days before the big concert there will be a workshop with conductors Mirelle Hopwood and Mary-Anne Goyder at the **Perth Concert Hall.** The bus will be leaving school **EARLY** at **8:40am.** Please do not be late. We will return to school by 2:00pm. We will eat morning tea at the rehearsal and lunch when we return to school. Please:

- Bring morning tea in a small bag (no school bags) No nuts. We will eat lunch when
 we return to school.
- Bring a drink bottle of water (no sticky or flavoured drinks).
- Wear your best school uniform.
- Bring your best voice and manners.

Full Dress Rehearsal/Concert: Friday 20th September, 4:45-9:00pm

A bus will be leaving Bull Creek Primary School at **4:45pm sharp.** Please do not be late. Students will attend a full dress rehearsal before the concert.

The concert starts at **7:30pm**. Tickets are reserved seating (see Tickets below).

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 4:45pm
- 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

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.

Photography/DVD

The concert will be professionally filmed and photographed and these will be available to purchase. 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.

Thank you for your support,

Tim Marshall Music Specialist 8 August 2019