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SENIOR CHOIR INFORMATION 2015

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Dear Parents

We are pleased to be able to let you know that the Senior Choir has been accepted into the Performing Arts Unit Concert, “The Australis Concert”, at the Opera House on Wednesday 28 October 2015.

We have had an overwhelming response to tryouts for Senior Choir this year. Concert organisers have room for only 36 children from each school and at present we have more than 40 in our choir. This unfortunately means that a number of choir members will not be able to participate in the Opera House Concert. Whilst we regret this, the situation is beyond our control. However, all choir members will be able to enjoy learning about singing and perform the same songs during school assemblies and additional opportunities to perform will also be provided during the year.

Because our repertoire is challenging and the time available for learning it is limited, the expectations in terms of Senior Choir members’ commitment and co-operation are very high. We hope that they see it as a privilege to represent their school in this way. Those who are unable to commit themselves to displaying exemplary behaviour at rehearsals, learning their part, working on the songs at home and attending all practices cannot reasonably expect to remain in the choir or be considered as representatives of our school in the Opera House concert. Selection of the final 36 students for this concert will take place in early Term 3 and will be largely based on students’ attendance and their commitment to learning their parts. If your child is not in this group it does not mean that he or she has not participated admirably – it’s just a question of numbers.

Senior Choir members are required to pay for their own book of music. This covers the costs of the arrangements, copyright, printing etc. A fee of $18.00 will be charged on your Term 2 Family Account to cover this. Those who actually perform in the concert will be required later in the year to pay a further $18.00 for their t-shirt and concert costs. We will also have two rehearsals and will require bus fares for these. The ticket prices for the concert will be $40.00 for adults and $33.00 concession. Please note that if your child gains a place, at least one parent must attend the concert.

If you are happy with these arrangements please complete the accompanying page and return to the Administration Office as soon as possible. Once again we look forward to a year of great singing and performances that are enjoyed by many.

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