

Opera House Choir

Arts Alive Primary Choral Concerts

9th March 2018

Dear Parents,

Congratulations. Your child has successfully auditioned for a place in this year's Arts Alive Choir, performing at the Sydney Opera House on Thursday 20th September. This choir rehearses separately to the Senior Choir. Rehearsals will be on Friday's either at lunchtime (term1) or before school at 8:30am (term 2 and 3 up to the concert) in Mrs Withford's room (3/4A). Some rehearsals will be for just the Altos, and some will be for just the Sopranos, so your child needs to listen to announcements!

Children must attend all rehearsals unless they are absent from school that day. This is the only time the choir will rehearse. (If you think you cannot make this time please let me know ASAP so I can give your child's place to someone on the reserve list. If you know you are not at school on the day of the concert – Thursday 20th September please also let me know so I can give the place to a reserve.)

We have ten songs to learn and children will either have a soprano or alto part. To help with learning their parts I will copy a CD for the parts and will distribute these for the children to take home, when I have all the music (hopefully by week 10 of this term). This will help them learn the words and the melody for their part.

The ARTS ALIVE combined schools choir will **rehearse together on Thursday 21st June, 2017** at Kuring-gai High School. Travel on this day will be by bus to and from the high school. The cost for this will need to be included in this year's fee. (Last year we were able to get the train, so we used opal cards – this year we will be sharing a bus with Wideview to the venue)

The **concert at the Opera House will be on Thursday 20th September**. This day will involve a day rehearsal and evening performance at the Opera House (travel by train). After the day rehearsal the Choir is released from the Opera House to meet parents. The meeting place and time will be confirmed. (please turn over)



You will need to ensure someone is there to meet your child whether it is yourself or another parent. (This information will be required before the day on the permission note which will be handed out closer to the time.) At approx. 6:15 parents return students to the meeting point where the children move into the Opera House as a group and parents take their seats in the venue.

There is a cost involved for participating in this choir. Each participant will receive a T-Shirt to wear at the performance. The cost will also include the performance fee, administration fees, the t-shirt cost and the cost of the bus to the rehearsal. Please indicate on the slip below which size t-shirt your child will need as well as your permission for your child to participate in the Opera House Choir. We currently have a waiting list for children wanting to be in this choir, so please return this ASAP.

PARTICIPATION FEE

This covers the repertoire book, Concert t-shirt and performance costs. The total cost will be \$70. This must be paid by 10th May 2018 or a child on the waiting list will take the position.

TICKETS

Tickets for the concert will go on sale in Term 3. More information will come out about this later.

Thanking you,
Alison Withford

Berowra Public School
ARTS ALIVE CHORAL CONCERT OPERA HOUSE

I give permission for my childof class
to participate in the Arts Alive Choral Concert at the Sydney Opera House. I agree to pay the participation fee of \$70 by the 10th May 2018.

T SHIRT SIZE		Please tick
8	[80 cm chest, 56 cm length)	
10	[85 cm chest, 60.5cm length)	
12	[90 cm chest, 65cm length)	
XS	[94 cm chest, 67 cm length)	
S	[100cm chest, 70cm length)	
M	[106 cm chest, 72 cm length]	
L	(112cm chest, 74cm length)	
XL	(118cm chest, 76cm length)	
2XL	(124cm chest, 78 length)	
3XL	(130cm chest, 80 cm length)	

Signed:

Name:.....

Please email me if you have any questions at

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I am hoping to communicate by email at times, so please if you have not given me your email yet, please send me an email so I can add it to the list