



The South Australian Public Primary Schools' Choir

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Hello everyone,

I hope you all had a chance to enjoy the lovely autumn weather today.

This Monday is the last rehearsal for this term.



UNIFORM - NEW POLO SHIRTS

These will be available on Monday at rehearsal for those who placed an order.

FEES & OTHER MONIES

It would be appreciated if everyone who hasn't paid the Participation Fee and the Music levy fee, would complete their payments before the end of term. There are still a few outstanding.

Fees are \$180, (plus the \$30 music levy if new to the choir), \$135 for school card holders (plus the \$30). The \$30 music levy is refundable on the return of all music, in good order. I would encourage you to point out to your child that the music has to be returned in good order.

Please contact me if this poses difficulties.

Full camp payment of \$115 is also due by the end of term.

Payment for all fees is by EFT to: SAPPS Music Society, BSB: 065 141, Acct No: 1027 2582, Ref: SAPPSSurname (eg. SAPPShepworth) with some indication of the purpose.

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE DETAILS (Thursday week 2 of the holidays)

Date: Thursday 25th April

Meet: Behind the War Memorial on the western side, corner of North Terrace and Kintore Avenue. It will be obvious where we will be singing.

Time: 5.20am at the latest

Wear: Full choir uniform of black pants (NO LEGGINGS), **black mid length sox**, black shoes, polo top (under which your child might wear a long sleeved top for warmth), a black jumper or jacket or parka on top. I will have rain ponchos for everyone.

Please have hair tied back from faces and ensure that coloured ribbons and headbands are not worn.

Collect: Immediately after the service from where we have been singing - west of the War Memorial.

Bring: The smallest tetrapak of fruit juice/drink you can fit in your pocket

Breakfast: PLEASE ensure that all students have had something to eat prior to coming. The adrenalin and excitement of the ceremony can be a little overwhelming and we don't want anyone feeling unwell.

The very early start to the day, finding a car park, delivering and collecting your child, may be a challenge, but I'm sure that the experience on such an important day will remain in the children's memories for many years to come. A huge crowd is expected so might I suggest that

you think through where you could park prior to setting off. There will also be some road blocks, so please be aware of these. Victoria Drive, that goes between the Parade Ground and the River Torrens behind the University will be closed from King William Rd to Kintore Ave. Kintore Ave will be closed. North Tce will be closed between King William St and Pulteney St.

It is vitally important that you deliver your child to me, as I will be marking off each child as I accept responsibility for him/her. **Please speak to me and watch me mark your child off.** I don't want to lose anyone and I'm sure that you don't want that either. If it is raining, I have purchased ponchos which I will give your child, when he/she is dropped off. The children will not be able to use umbrellas as they won't be able to manage a programme as well as an umbrella. **When you come to collect your child at the end of the service, please do not just take her/him.** Once again, I will mark off your child as I hand her/him back to you.

Given the expected crowd we will all have to be vigilant in looking after each other. While I will have my phone with me, I can't guarantee that I will hear it ring because of the expected noise.

Please let me know by return email if your child will not be at this event.

***** **NOTE FROM CATHY** – This is a really prestigious occasion to be part of. It will be two weeks since our last practice, so please take some time to check your words and music during the holiday break before our performance.*****

OTHER DATES AND EVENTS

- STATE OPERA'S 'CUNNING LITTLE VIXEN'. The choir has been invited to give a foyer performance, of our own repertoire, on opening night, Saturday May 18 at 7:00pm, at the Ridley Centre in the Adelaide Show Grounds. I will share with you the details as I receive them. Please add this date to your calendar.
- ADELAIDE CHORAL EISTEDDFODS
Each year the Eisteddfod Society runs a competitive choral section for primary schools. This year we have decided to offer a SAPPS Choir performance during the Eisteddfod to cover the adjudication time. This way we can watch the competitors and support the Eisteddfods, and not compete. The tentative dates are either 19 or 20 June at 6pm in the city. Again, I will confirm arrangements asap.
- SAPPS CHOIR WINTER CONCERT
Sunday afternoon, 30 June at the Burnside Uniting Church
- BARTON SINGERS
Sunday afternoon, 7 July at St Augustine's Church in Unley

Please let me know if your child will not be at these events.

PARENT COMMITTEE

We had our first meeting on Monday 25 March. Thanks to the parents who have kindly volunteered to be involved.

TERM 2

Rehearsals commence on the first Monday of next term, Monday 29th April.

Enjoy the holidays everyone!
Kind Regards,
Deb, Cathy, Gaby and Cheryl