



GRACEVILLE STATE SCHOOL

Established 1928

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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope that all of our families are doing as well as they can be, given the current situation. In light of recent events, we are sending this letter out slightly later than planned, but we would like to confirm that choir rehearsals will begin next week! Joining in a choir can provide many benefits to students who enjoy singing. Our school has a Junior Choir for students in years 2 -3 and a Senior Choir for students in years 4 – 6. The choirs are open to any interested students in years 2 – 6 and there is no audition process. Choir rehearsals are as follows weekly from week 5:

- Junior Choir – (Year 2 - 3 students) Friday mornings in the music room at 7:45am (starting 11 March) and
- Senior Choir – (Year 4 - 6 students) Tuesday mornings in the music room from 7:45am (starting 8 March).

OHSC is able to bring students to the music room for the beginning of the choir rehearsal if they need to be dropped at school early on our rehearsal day. Please advise them via the appropriate form if this is the case.

Students will have opportunities throughout the year to share their songs with the school community and families either via performances or recordings, depending on the restrictions in place at the time. Please refer to the Newsletter in the music news section for updates regarding choir or emails sent to families of choir members for recording/performance dates as they are scheduled throughout the year. Please ensure that your child is able to commit to regular rehearsals and prioritise any events/recordings or performances.

Students should not attend a choir rehearsal if they are displaying any symptoms of illness. If your child is unwell or unable to attend a rehearsal, please let me know via email. Once we begin rehearsals, they will continue throughout the year from the first week/day back each term, until the last recording or performance of the year, unless we inform you otherwise via an email/Newsletter article E.g. due to illness or staff commitments. Students joining the choir for the first time are requested to complete an SRS contract and return it to the office. SRS forms will only need to be completed by new choir members as students who are continuing completed these last year. These forms will be handed out at the first rehearsal. Involvement in the choral program is \$45 annually and we request that full payment is made by Friday of week 8, however for any families that are experiencing financial difficulty or strain due to the current situation, they can contact the school (Anne Nixon or Zoe Smith) to discuss ways the school can support them. All students are requested to complete the permission slip below and bring it to their first rehearsal at the music room or the office. Hard copies of this letter will be available for students on Monday.

The aim of our choirs is to provide an opportunity for children to sing together, perform or share recordings at school and community events and further develop their musicianship, song repertoire and enjoyment of singing. Please contact me if you would like any further information ([nclos1@eq.edu.au](mailto:nclos1@eq.edu.au)) and return the slip below to school either at or before the first choir rehearsal. An email contact list will be created for each choir from the information currently held at the school so please ensure these details have been updated with the office if they have changed. Thank you for supporting your child's involvement in the choir. We look forward to starting rehearsals and sharing our songs with you this year!

Yours sincerely

Naomi Lindh  
Choral Conductor

Zoe Smith  
Principal

*(All choir students please return the slip below to the music department at or before your child's choir rehearsal.)*

***I acknowledge the commitment for my child to attend rehearsals and performances/recordings which are to be shared with families and the school community and I support their involvement in the Junior/ Senior Choir for 2022.***

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_

Name of contact parent/s or guardian/s \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_