



GRACEVILLE STATE SCHOOL

Established 1928

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope everyone is settling into the new school year well! Students in years 2 – 6 are welcome to join one of our school choirs. We have a Junior Choir for students in years 2/3 and a Senior Choir for students in years 4 – 6. The rehearsal days will be on Tuesday mornings for Senior Choir and Thursday mornings for Junior Choir this year.

Due to some family commitments and long service leave days I am taking this term, the **Junior Choir rehearsals will start in week 5, on Thursday 23 February**. The **Senior Choir rehearsals will start on Tuesday in week 3, on Tuesday 7 February**. Senior and Junior Choir rehearsals are held in the music room at 7:45am. Students in the Senior Choir please note that there will be no Senior Choir rehearsal on Tuesday 7 March (week 7) as I will be on long service leave. (I will be back at school on Thursday 9 March for the Junior Choir rehearsal.)

Students will have opportunities throughout the year to share their songs with the school community and families at assemblies/performance. Please refer to the Newsletter in the music news section for updates regarding choir and/or emails sent to families of choir members for performance dates as they are scheduled throughout the year. It is important that students and families commit to regular rehearsals and prioritise any events/performance, as every member of the choir is integral the success of performance. If your child has another commitment such as an appointment, or is unwell not able to attend a rehearsal, please send an email to advise of their absence. Students should not attend a choir rehearsal if they are displaying any symptoms of illness.

Once we begin rehearsals, they will continue throughout the year from the first week/day back each term, until the last 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 9. 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 (from the music room).

The aim of our choirs is to provide an opportunity for children to sing together, perform 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) 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

Lisa McKeaten
Deputy 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 and I support their involvement in the Junior/Senior Choir for 2023.

Student's name _____

Class _____

Name of contact parent/s or guardian/s _____

Signed _____ Date _____