



26 March 2018

Dear Parents

SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES: TERM 2 OF 2018

I am very excited about our performances for the coming term and look forward to a wonderful season of singing and music making.

We will continue with our morning rehearsals throughout the term on a Tuesday and Thursday morning from 7:15 to 7:50.

1. Choir Workshop – 14 April 2018

To be adequately prepared for our performances this term, we will have an extra rehearsal on Saturday 14 April. Rehearsal will be in the Haydock hall from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. All senior choir members are expected to attend this workshop.

2. Choir Festival with Laurika Rauch and Loki Rothman – 19 April 2018

Our first performance of Term 2 is with the iconic Laurika Rauch and the virtuosic singer and guitarist Loki Rothman. The evening, shared with the choirs of Laerskool Hendrik Louw, Laerskool Lochnerhof and Reddam House Somerset, will surely have something for everyone's taste.

The concert starts at 19:00, but we have a mass choir rehearsal before the concert. All choir children must be at Parel Vallei High School Hall by 17:30, to be seated in the hall by 17:45. Children cannot bring bags along, as they will be in the hall for the entire concert. They must please have something substantial to eat before the rehearsal. Please ensure they bring along a filled water bottle to keep in the hall. The choir should be dressed in full winter uniform (navy or teal jerseys), polished shoes, and neat hair, ready to represent Somerset House in public.

A tuck shop will be open for parents from 18:00. Children will not have the opportunity to visit the tuck shop.

Tickets for this event are available at R120 per person. You can indicate how many tickets you would like in this [Google Form](#). The cost of tickets will be added to your school account. Once Mr Diesel has received your completed [Google Form](#), you can collect your tickets from him.

3. Stellenbosch Eisteddfod – 26 May 2018

We are participating in the Stellenbosch Eisteddfod again this year, as the experience of singing in such a wonderful venue as the Endler Hall is just too good to miss.

Children must please arrive in the foyer of the Endler Hall by 17:00 on 26 May, where they will be taken to their warm-up and rehearsal venue. Their performance is at 18:00 and will be completed around 18:25. Again, full winter uniform with jerseys (navy or teal), neat hair and polished shoes are required.

Parents and children are welcome to purchase tickets to watch all the choirs perform – it is always nice to expose children to the standard of the other choirs taking part in this event. Tickets sell on the day at the door. The concert starts at 17:20 and will end at 21:10, but the audience may move in and out of the hall at any time in between performances.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to discuss them with me. [Please follow the link](#) to confirm your child's participation in these events.

Your Sincerely

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