Dear Parents/Guardians

Congratulations on your child making it into the choir at Connells Point Public School. This was an extremely difficult task of picking students, as we had a record numbers of students auditioning. The students have been successful in making it into the Sydney Region Music Festival, which will consist of 2 rehearsals (Tuesday the 18th of May and Tuesday the 27th of July) and a performance showcase at the Sydney Opera House on Sunday the 1st of August.

With the students making it into the festival, I have been told by the officials organising the concert that I am only allowed to take 25 students with me to the rehearsals and the performance night itself. This is due to seating restrictions and the fact that around 20 other schools are competing. This will unfortunately mean some students will miss out on performing on this occasion. Please remember that your student will still be actively involved in the school choir at performances such as Open Day, Education Week, school assemblies and the annual School Performance Night.

Preference will be given to Year 6 students, as this is their final year at Connells Point. Many apologies to the Year 5 students for this year, but please keep in mind that they will receive preference next year. There are a total of 29 students in Year 6 who were successful in making it into the choir – meaning that I will have to leave 4 students out. If you know that you are away on any of the dates shown above for the rehearsals or are away for the performance night, please let me be aware of this as it will free up space for other students to go along. Also if your child would be uncomfortable performing to an audience in the Opera House, you should keep that in mind as well. Students will be responsible for organizing their transport arrangements to and from the Opera House.

If all notes are returned by the due date and all students are willing to participate, students will then be drawn out of a hat as the selection process.

Please return this slip (Year 6 students) by Friday the 30th of April.

Any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact me at school or call the office and I will do my best to respond as soon as possible.

Mr N. Parsons
Senior Choir Teacher

I, ___________________, give permission for my son/daughter to be involved in the Sydney Region Music Festival.

I understand that this performance will be on Sunday the 1st of August at the Opera House. Students will need to be at the Opera House at 3.00pm at the latest and the completion time is TBA.

I understand that students will be responsible for organising their transport arrangements to and from the Opera House.

I understand there will be a cost involved for the 2 buses to and from both rehearsals at approximately $35.

I understand there may be a few practice sessions out of school hours in preparation for the concert.

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Parent/Guardian