JUNIOR CHOIR AUDITIONS

28 February 2013

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a large number of Year 3 and Year 4 students interested in joining the Connells Point Public School Junior Choir. Our Junior Choir is limited to approximately 50 students. Therefore, this year it will be necessary for students to audition.

The auditions will take place next Monday, 4 March at lunch time. Students will be asked to sing a verse of the Australian national anthem in small groups.

Junior Choir is an enjoyable group to be involved in. Students who audition and are selected, need to understand the commitment they are making. The following points outline the commitments involved:

- Choir is held during CAPA time. Lessons take place each Wednesday.

- Choir is a yearlong commitment. Students need to understand the responsibility to perform and behave correctly, bringing credit to their school and themselves.

- Students will learn valuable singing skills, such as singing in tune, singing in parts to create harmony and singing rounds.

- Students should spend approximately 20-30 minutes per week learning and practising songs at home.

- There is a fee to cover the cost of the copyright for the music, as well as for the CD of the music (approximately $7)

- Year 3 students will have an opportunity to perform at a variety of school events through the year. They will also perform at the school’s Showcase evening towards the end of year. They will not perform in the St George Performing Arts Festival (SPAF) as we are limited to approximately 20 children to send to this event, so each year it is the Year 4 children who attend.

- Year 4 students will have an opportunity to perform at a variety of school events through the year. They will also perform at the school’s Showcase evening towards the end of year. Year 4 students will perform in the SPAF concert. There will be 20 Year 4 students selected to be in the CPPS choir as we are limited to sending only 20 to perform in the SPAF concert. Students will join with 15 other schools as part of a massed choir. The SPAF concert requires an extra commitment from Year 4 students. During the year they will attend 2 full day rehearsals at Oatley West Public school, as well as a full day rehearsal and matinee performance at Sutherland Entertainment Centre. There is also an evening performance at Sutherland Entertainment Centre on the same night. There is a fee payable for the 3 rehearsal days to cover buses (approximately $10 per rehearsal)

- If selected as part of the CPPS Junior Choir, students will be asked to sign a Code of Conduct to acknowledge their commitment and responsibility. Parents will also be asked to give permission and sign to acknowledge they understand what is involved.

These above guidelines were discussed with students today. Please go through them with your child and if they would like to audition, please sign the form below and have them bring it along with them to the auditions next Monday. Please note, they will need a signed permission note if they want to audition.

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I give permission for my child ___________________________ of class __________ to audition for the Connells Point Public School Junior Choir. I understand that if selected there are extra commitments involved.

Signed ___________________________ Date ________________