



Growing Together For Success

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Kia ora e te whānau,

Christchurch Schools' Music Festival

As we are sure you are already aware, Ashgrove School is excited to be participating in this year's Christchurch Schools' Music Festival.

To date, your child has been participating in our practises and we feel it is pertinent to let you know that because the number of spaces allocated to us is limited we require dedication and commitment to practises. We practise twice a week during lunchtime.

Your child is required to attend both of these practises where possible and a minimum of one per week. While this seems like a big task, we have a lot of songs to learn and perfect, however the programme is fun and the experience is one your child will remember for a lifetime.

You will have the opportunity to purchase tickets to our Town Hall performance and we are excited to be sharing our efforts with you.

Dates you will need for your calendar are as follows:

19th October: This will be our first rehearsal with other groups at Avonhead School. This is during school hours and will be facilitated by the teachers in charge. There will be a small charge for the cost of the bus charter. This will be advised. Our understanding is that this is a 'staggered' rehearsal with numbers for each rehearsal group limited to the Level 2 protocols.

2nd November: This is our evening performance you will be able to purchase tickets for. Information for this will follow when available.

- We will have a rehearsal during the day coordinated by the teachers in charge.
- For the evening performance, students are required to return with their whānau, perform and then be taken home..

Please note, if Christchurch is not at Level 1 by the beginning of Term 4, they will be cancelling the full Town Hall Massed choirs aspect of the Music Festival and looking into a smaller concert for the Representative Groups only. We can only hope that this action does not have to be taken.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me anitaramsay@ashgrove.school.nz. I thank you in advance for your support with this and I look forward to sharing this experience with you all.

Ngā manakitanga,

Whaea Anita

