

# It's Concert time at WPAS!

Student Name:

You are going to LOVE our Production of the 'Enchanted House' inspired by Disney's Encanto

All information for the Concert will be handed out over the coming weeks and available on our website for immediate access. We want this to be as easy as possible for all of our parents, please check in with us as to how we can best communicate with you about your child's concert and needs!

Providing a performance opportunity and outlet for your little artist is one of those experiences you can't easily find! Being onstage builds confidence, joy, resilience and growth!

**At WPAS we aim to provide the most positive concert experience possible for you and your child**



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*What's first?*

## **Sunday 27th November - Costume Rehearsal!**

This is our first 'Rehearsal' outside of our regular class that we come together to finalise and fix any last minute adjustments to your child's costume for the concert. Students perform their dance and theatre routines in costume and our costume helpers take notes on any last minute alterations or additions.

*Please keep this date free, a specific timetable will be arranged so that you know what time your child is needed at the Costume Rehearsal. This will be held at WPAS*

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*What's next?*

## **Tuesday 29th November - Concert Rehearsal #1**

## **Thursday 1st December - Concert Rehearsal #2**

We do not have regular classes this week, only rehearsals on Tuesday 29th Nov and Thursday 1st Dec. You won't be needed for the whole time, we will make sure you know when to arrive for your rehearsal! These 2 rehearsals are important for your child's confidence and exposure to 'audiences' watching. Our community of dancers and theatre students all watch each other during this rehearsal process, encourage each other and build each other up! It's also important for your child to understand their concert structure and storyline so they know what their 'role' is within the concert. This helps ease any stress and anxiety about performing

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*Now, we're ready to perform! It's Concert time!*

## **Saturday 3rd December - Performances on stage**

## **Sunday 4th December - Performances on stage**

Now it's time to move to the stage! These are our dates for the Concerts and for now, we would love you to keep both dates free! The Inter students will be performing both days and our Primary, Intro & Junior students will be split up between 1 day each. Don't worry - we've got you! We will have everything so well planned and articulated, all you will need to do is drop your child to the theatre and enjoy the show!

We are currently still awaiting some extra details about this concert weekend so we will have all of the information available for you via handout and on the website very soon!

### **What if we can't make the concert / my child can not participate?**

That's okay! We don't expect everyone to be able to perform in the concert every year.. Students are welcome to still be in their classes and our teachers include everyone regardless of if they are performing or not. However, we do work on the assumption that everyone is doing the concert , so please communicate with us if you are unable to make the concerts

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### **Are there any extra costs involved with the Concert?**

Yes, however this extra cost is outlined when you enrol and is included in your tuition and fee information in the enrolment pack! Towards the end of Term 3 we add a \$40.00 Production Fee for each performer (families with multiple performers receive a discount) to help assist with the cost and expense of the Concerts & Production. This ranges from our music licences (Apra/Amcos) to venue hire to sets, props and lighting!

Aside from purchasing your tickets for the concerts, there are no added expenses or charges on top of this

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### **Where will I find all the concert information when I need it?**

You will find it in a handout given to your child, on our WPAS noticeboards, in your emails and on the website

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### **Will there be a Handbook with schedules for the rehearsal, hair and makeup information etc?**

Yes! We will create a Handbook for you with everything you need to know. Families who have multiple children etc, we even tailor your own Handbook so that you only receive information relative to you! This handbook will also include ticket information and any extra personal requirements such as stockings, shoes etc.

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### **How can I prepare in the meantime?**

Here are some easy things you can practise before the Concert!

**Shoes!** Make sure your child has the correct dance shoes, you can purchase them at the office or Market St Stitches

**Hair!** It's always a good idea to practise styling your child's hair in a bun so that when it's Concert Day, you can do so as quickly and easily as possible.

**Makeup!** Get ready for an event and why not practise some stage makeup? The more times you can practise the easier it will be. We always have helpers on hand for the 'harder' things like Eyeliner and Lipstick etc. We wear makeup onstage due to the harsh lighting elements that tend to 'wash' children's faces and expression away - the way we design our stage makeup is purely to enhance young performers' expression onstage, it's also a fun part of the process and preparation!



### **What do I do now?**

Pencil in all of the dates below and we will be in touch with your Concert Handbook very soon!

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