

# 2018 BUNINYONG PRIMARY SCHOOL CONCERT

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

### THEME

The theme for the 2018 concert is....'***A Night at the Library, Where Books Come to Life***'.

### PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Many of our staff will be looking for some help with the development of acts, training up the students and making costumes and props. Please don't hesitate to put your hand up when the call for help comes out. One of the best things about the school concert is the community involvement.

### HOW DO WE INTEND TO USE THE FUNDS RAISED?

The concert is our main fundraiser for 2018 and we expect to raise between \$18-20,000. Our intention is to use the profits for the following projects:

- Buninyong Campus – Replacing the shade sail over the grade 5-6 play equipment and contributing to the refurbishment of the canteen.
- Scotsburn Campus – Contributing to an upgrade of the student toilets

It is important to note that the concert is much more than a fundraiser. The concert provides a great opportunity to bring the school community together to create something special, but also presents fantastic experience for the students in the areas of the Performing Arts.



### DATES AND TIMES

The concert is scheduled for August 22-24. To extend opportunities for family members to attend, we have an additional performance this time round. The concert schedule will be as follows:

- Wednesday August 22 – Rehearsal, starting at 10:30am
- Thursday August 23
  - Thursday Matinee, starting at 10:30am
  - Evening Performance starting at 6pm
- Friday August 24
  - Evening Performance starting at 6pm

The evening concerts have an earlier start time compared to previous years (6pm rather than 7pm). Given the additional performance, we're conscious of not over-taxing the kids with late nights.

### CHANGE OF SCHOOL START TIME ON FRIDAY AUGUST 24

In terms of looking after students and staff, please note that school will not start until midday on Friday August 24<sup>th</sup>. Students will be dismissed at the regular time of 3:30pm on this day and will need to bring their lunch as per usual. The decision to alter the school start time on this day was taken by School Council in the best interests of both students and staff, given it will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of a taxing concert program. It is worth remembering that teaching staff will still have responsibility for our children for approximately 8 hours on this day.

Child care will be organised in the gym (8:30am – midday) for those that require it on August 24. Cost for this service will be \$30 per child with bookings made through the office. Bookings for this service will close at 4pm on August 17 and no late bookings will be taken.

## TICKET PRICE AND AVAILABILITY

The ticket price for the 2018 concert will be:

- \$20 for the Thursday afternoon matinee
- \$25 for each of the evening performances

There are no concession rates or variation of price related to seat location.

Families be restricted to 5 tickets for the evening performances, but be allowed to purchase as many tickets as they like for the Thursday afternoon performance. Tickets will be sold online as per previous concerts and we'll give you plenty of notice as to when that's opening up.



## TICKET SALES

Concert tickets will go on sale from **9am** on **Monday July 30**. Tickets will be sold online.

The link to access the tickets is:

<http://www.trybooking.com/WOIM> **OR** <http://www.trybooking.com/396356>



Those without internet access or a credit card are welcome to come in and see the ladies in the office who will purchase tickets on your behalf.

**Digital or Printing off your tickets** - As with any performance/event where tickets are purchased online, we ask that you either print off your tickets or have email confirmation ready to present at the door.

## SEATING

Everyone who has purchased a ticket will have an allocated seat. There will be ushers in the foyer and auditorium to help guests find their seat. There are 2

level 1 entrances at the rear of the auditorium and there will be signs indicating which door is best for you to use.

## ARRIVAL TIMES

The doors will open for both evening concerts at 5:30pm for a 6pm start. Students need to arrive between 5:30pm and 5:45pm, unless your class teacher has requested otherwise. Unless organised by your child's teacher, please don't come earlier than 5:30...it's a long night for the students and we don't need to make it even longer by arriving early.

It's also worth noting that there is ample parking at the university, so there is no need to arrive early to secure a park.

## WHAT FOOD AND DRINK WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE?

There will be a BBQ operating on the lawn outside Founders Hall between 5pm and 6pm for each evening performance. That should make life easier for lots of parents.

The grade 6 Canteen Team will be running a stall outside, which will include water, juice boxes, slices and other snacks.

Coffee will also be available for purchase outside the foyer of Founders.



**Note:** There will be no Eftpos for food and drink sales....cash only.

### **DO STUDENTS NEED TO TAKE ALONG WATER AND SNACKS?**

We will have water available for students who need it, but it's a good idea for all children to attend with a named water bottle. Also, it is a long evening, so the children might like to bring a small bag with a snack while they wait. Please don't send lollies with your child....the night back stage is long enough without children hyped up by too much sugar.



### **IS THERE AN INTERVAL?**

There is no interval, so once the concert starts there will be non-stop action through to the end.

### **CLASS PHOTOS AND DVD SALES**

There will be a DVD of the concert available after the concert. We are having the concert professionally recorded and expect to have a quality product for parents to purchase. ***It will be the Friday night performance that is recorded.***

You are welcome to take along your own video camera to get exclusive footage of the real star of the show, however we don't want parents taking photos, as the flash will distract our performers.

We are also planning to have professionally taken group photos that will also be available for purchase. Please keep your eye on the newsletters following the concert for details regarding DVDs and group photos.

### **VENUE**

The venue for the concert is Founders Hall, also known as the Caro Convention Centre at Federation University. At the end of this document you will find a map of the university showing the location of the venue and parking.

### **STUDENT PARTICIPATION**

Where possible, we'd certainly like students to attend each concert, including both evening concerts. If you need help with arrangements to make this possible, talk to your child's teacher.

### **DROPPING OFF AND COLLECTING STUDENTS**

**Rehearsal & Thursday Matinee** - On the days of the rehearsal and Thursday Matinee, children simply come to school as per normal and will be bussed to and from the performance. All students will be back at school in time for the usual 3:30pm dismissal.



**Evening Performances** - We understand that quite a few parents will be dropping off and leaving their child/ren at one (possibly both) of the evening concerts....that's fine. There will be staff members in fluoro vests in Chancellor Drive outside the venue (at the bus stop) ready to meet these children and escort them back stage to join the rest of their class. This means it is very easy for you to drop your child off (without having to find a park) knowing that there will be someone there to take care of them. The map of Federation University on the last page of this document shows the drive through parents can use to drop students off. Then you will need to return to collect your child from their holding room at the conclusion of the concert.

**Note:** The drop off point is the same for all students (the bus stop in Chancellor Drive), regardless of their year level. Students will be greeted by staff in fluoro vests who will escort them to the relevant holding rooms.





### Collecting Students at the end of Each Evening Performance -

We expect the evening concert to finish at around 8:30-8:45pm and we will be asking parents to collect their children from their holding rooms. All children will need to be signed out. The locations of these change rooms is included with the maps at the end of this document. Holding room locations will also be indicated on a map of Founders Hall which will feature on the concert program. Programs will be available for purchase at the concert for a gold coin. We will also have plenty of signage in the venue foyer to help guests find their way round.

There's no getting around the fact that the process of collecting students at the end of each concert is a slow process.....it will take 15-20 minutes, so please be patient. If you want to avoid the crush, consider waiting in the auditorium for 10 minutes as the congestion will have reduced by then. ***Making sure all the students are safely connected with their parents is the priority.***

**What if I'd Like to Collect my Child Before the End of the Evening Performance?** - We understand there will be situations where parents will want to, or will need to, collect children before the end of one or both concerts. Parents can arrange for this to take place. Just speak to your child's teacher closer to the concert. Mind you, most children will be enjoying the social occasion and will want to stay, especially since the final act involves all students.

### INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASS

Class teachers are preparing a note to go home with details regarding your child's act and information you need to know...please keep an eye out for that.

### TOUR OF FOUNDERS HALL

On August 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm we have a tour of our concert facility, Founders Hall at Federation University. Whilst this tour is primarily for staff, it does present the opportunity for any parent who has an anxious child to come along and help familiarise their child with the venue. If you'd like to take up that opportunity, please send a message through to Bernie.



### PROGRAMS

Programs will be available for purchase (gold coin donation) outside the venue. The program will include a running order for acts and a map to indicate where you need to collect your children at the end of each performance.

### PARKING

The map of Federation University, which appears on the next page, shows where you can park and how to find your way to the concert venue.

- The building marked 'M' is Founders Hall (concert venue), also known as the Caro Convention Centre.
- Car parks and car park entrances can be seen on the map. Some parks are deemed permit areas up until 5pm, but most are open to the general public from 5pm onwards. **There is NO PARKING in Chancellor Drive.**
- The closest car parks are across University Drive (gravel car park) and off Chancellor Drive, but these will fill fast. Do not despair, as there will be loads of space in the Main Public Car Park, which is just a 2 or 3 minute walk from Founders Hall. There will be a trail of balloons showing the simplest walking route from the Main Public Car Park to the venue.....parking attendants will also be about to guide you.

- Beside the venue is a drive through (marked on the map), which will be useful for those dropping off the elderly or for dropping off students who are being left for the concert.
- Please don't park on any grassed areas as we don't want to be responsible for making a mess of these areas.



### **CAN MY CHILD TAKE ALONG AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE?**

The teachers are planning to take along things to help keep the students occupied while they are back stage. The grade 4-6 students are welcome to take along their ipads to give them something to do whilst in holding rooms. The preps, 1s, 2s & 3s are asked not to bring any electronic devices, as there is too much potential for them to go missing. These students will get an opportunity during each evening performance to spend some chill out time in our Tech Zone. This is a quiet space where children get to play on an ipad.

### **WHAT DOES MY CHILD WEAR FOR THE FINALE?**

A few parents have asked whether there is anything in particular the children are expected to wear for the concert finale. The simple answer is no.

### **CANTEEN ROUTINE FOR CONCERT WEEK**

The canteen will take lunch orders for the Friday (Aug 24) as per usual, but not on the Wednesday (Aug 22) due to children being at the rehearsal.



# Mt Helen Campus, Ballarat | Mobility Access Map



## Legend

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| Buildings  | Disability Access Toilet (Level)  | Care Convention Centre<br>Prep, Grade 1, 2, 5                        |
| Roads  | Bus Stop<br>Will be used as Student drop off and pick-up point  | B Building<br>Grade 6  |
| Disability Car Spaces Accessible   | Student drop off / pick-up Route  | C Building (Geoffrey Blainey)<br>Auditorium<br>Grade 3, 4, Scottburn |
| Car Park (No) & Temporary Car Park<br>Suggested for Matinee performance.   | Pathway/Route L1<br>Accessible routes do not contain any stairs, however some gradients may not be suitable for some users. |  |
| Car Park (No)<br>Parking Permit required between 3am - 5:00pm is a good option for evening performances in addition to spaces available for Matinee performance. | Concert Area  |  |

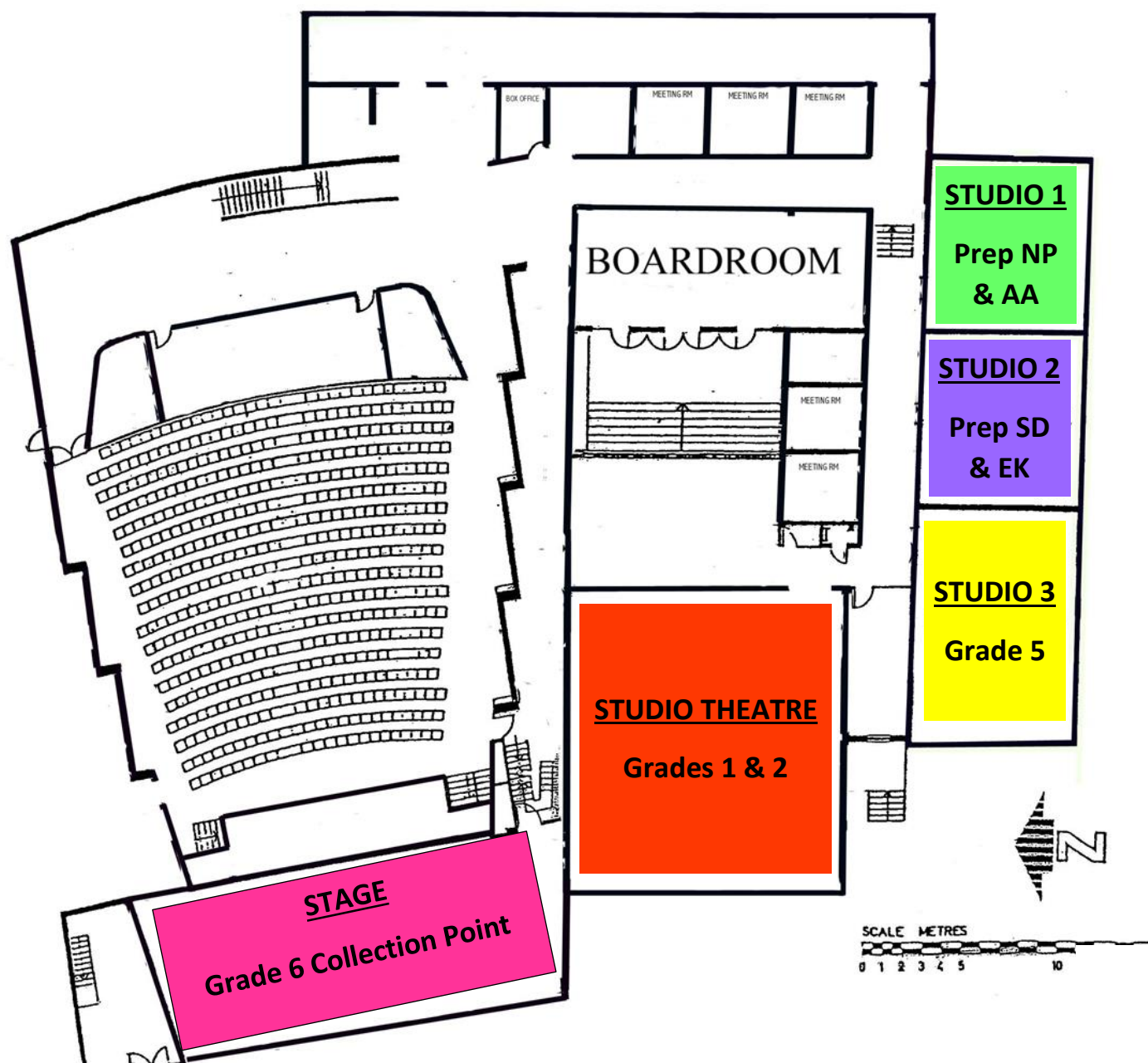
This map has been produced solely for the use of Geelong Primary School concert August 2018.



## MAP OF FOUNDERS HALL (also known as Caro Convention Centre)

This map indicates where students will be housed when back stage. At the end of both evening performances, students are to be collected from and signed out from the relevant rooms as indicated.

### Caro Convention Centre



#### Notes:

- ♦ Grades 3 & 4 and all of Scotsburn will be housed and collected from the Blainey Centre (see block C on the Fed Uni Map).
- ♦ Grade 6 will be housed in the Business School (See block B on the Fed Uni Map), but collected from the stage at the end of the performance.