Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to the Annual Senior School Music Camp on Sunday 4 December. This camp is a wonderful and important opportunity for our boys to solidify the instrumental skills and musicianship developed throughout the year while bonding with one another in a relaxed environment.

The camp will be held at Crusaders Galston Gorge Conference and Recreation Centre and will culminate in a concert at the venue at 7:00pm on Wednesday 7 December. We hope to have a big audience at the concert to celebrate the work done by boys during the week. Please invite family and friends to attend this concert after which you will be able to take your sons directly home from the camp venue.

Final information regarding the camp and Speech Day is attached. Please be sure to review this carefully, noting transport arrangements as well as details for the final concert in addition to call times for Speech Day.

We look forward to seeing you all at 7:00pm on Wednesday 7 December for the Camp Concert.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Vickers
Director of Music

Music Camp 2016
EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS
Campsite Main Office: (02) 9653 1676 (business hours)
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For all non-urgent enquiries please contact music@tsc.nsw.edu.au
CODE OF CONDUCT

All boys are reminded that the standard of behavior and adherence to school rules expected on Music Camp remains the same as any on-campus activity. This includes respecting one another and any teaching or venue staff, in addition to any personal or venue property.

Boys are not permitted to socialise or convene in their dormitories outside of set times. There should never be any boy in a cabin other than their own.

A reminder that illicit substances and materials– including but not restricted to alcohol, cigarettes, illegal substances or pornographic material – are not permitted and any boy found in possession of such items or viewing such materials will be disciplined in accordance with school regulations and will be removed from camp at the parent’s expense.

TRANSPORT

Sunday 4 December

Boys are to arrive at Crusaders Galston Gorge Conference and Recreation Centre at 3:00pm via parent drop-off or via bus departing 2:00pm from the College, as nominated on your consent form. For boys performing at the Annual Carols Chapel Service the late bus will leave the College at 9:00pm.

Wednesday 7 December

Other than boarders, all boys are to be collected from the venue at the conclusion of the Camp Concert (8:30pm). All parents are invited to attend the Camp Concert – please see further details below.

Music camp will conclude with a concert held in The Gym at 7:00pm on Wednesday 7 December. We would be delighted for parents and families to join us for this free event. Come and enjoy the boys’ performance of repertoire worked on throughout the camp prior to collecting your son at the conclusion of the camp at 8:30pm.

Parking is available at the venue. Staff will be on hand to guide you safely and we ask that you comply with any instructions given.

TIMETABLE

Boys will engage in a variety of session types led by a fantastic group of pedagogues, performers and practitioners. In addition to their ensemble rehearsals, instrument sectionals and preparation of camp items, boys will participate in practical elective sessions of their own choosing including Jazz Improvisation, Percussion for Non-Percussionists, Sight-Reading for Everyone, Big Band Performance and Music Theatre, in addition to workshops on Beat-Boxing, Composition and more.
Boys will also enjoy games and leisure sessions and participate as either performer or audience in informal nightly concerts. We ask that boys wishing to perform at the evening concerts bring music for themselves and the camp accompanist if required.

MEDICAL OFFICER

We are delighted to have Dr Carol Fenton-Lee join us for the duration of camp as our resident Medical Officer. All boys taking medication throughout the course of the camp will be required to give this to Dr Fenton-Lee upon registration on Sunday.

WHAT TO BRING

5 sets of casual clothes including:
1 x Light Jacket (suitable for cooler evenings); and
1 x set of Warm Clothes (in case of sudden change in weather).
Sports Shoes (no open shoes/crocs/thongs)
Toiletries
Towel
Pyjamas
Sleeping Bag or Linen
Swimmers (if you have indicated your son can swim 100m on consent form)
Pillow and Pillow Case
Prescription Medication
Water Bottle

MUSICAL EQUIPMENT
Instrument
Music in a black display folder
Spare reeds/valve oil/strings/other accessories
Fold-up music stand
2B Pencil x 2

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Electronic devices including iPods, iPhones or other mobile phones, laptops, gaming devices etc. are discouraged. No lollies, chewing gum etc.

THURSDAY 8 DECEMBER – REHEARSAL AT BELLEVUE HILL

All musicians are to be in attendance at the Senior School Campus on Thursday 8 December in preparation for Speech Day.
Rehearsals begin at 8:30am in Anderson Hall for all boys. Year 7 Beginner Musicians have been sent specific information by Ms Lowe regarding the return of instruments on this day.

**SPEECH DAY**

A separate letter with information for musicians regarding Speech Day is attached. Please review this carefully and note the arrival time of 7:00am for members of the Speech Day Orchestra and Big Band musicians and at 8:00am for all other musicians and choristers.