



**2017 ANNUAL RECITAL – “The Little Mermaid”**  
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION NOTE**

Our Annual Recital is seen by most of our students and teachers as the highlight of our school year. It involves all students from Kinder to Senior giving them the opportunity to perform in a fully developed production at Townsville’s wonderful Civic Theatre. Our school has a reputation for presenting an excellent show with outstanding production qualities, and our students have a brilliant time performing in it. Of course, it takes an enormous amount of planning and coordination to make this happen and we rely upon the cooperation of our parents and families to ensure everything runs smoothly and the students have a great experience.

We encourage you to read all the information in this note carefully before completing the permission note. It would be wise to print or save it, as it contains important dates that you may need to refer to later. We will, of course, send out more information regarding rehearsals and theatre protocols later in the year.

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Our school has grown to the point where it is impossible to include all students and classes in just one concert, and to have enough seats available in the audience for all family and friends who wish to see it. Therefore, the decision was made a few years ago to split our recital into two separate concerts, each with two performances. The storyline remains the same for both concerts, but the items change according to the individual classes performing.

- **Concert 1** – 2 performances – Thursday 30th November at 6.30pm and Saturday 2nd December at 6.30pm
- **Concert 2** – 2 performances – Friday 1st December at 6.30pm and Saturday 2nd December at 1.00pm.
- **Children from Kinder up to and including Grade 4 will perform in ONE of these concerts (two performances) and you will be advised which concert your child is performing in as soon as possible.**
- **Children from Grade 5 and above will perform in BOTH concerts (4 performances)**
- Some children in the younger grades will be involved in both concerts due to multiple dance disciplines or studios. Some families will have children performing in different items in both concerts. In these instances, a voucher for two complimentary tickets ONLY will be issued by our office to parents for the alternate concert. Parents will need to contact our office to verify their eligibility for the complimentary tickets. The voucher is to be presented at the theatre when purchasing tickets and cannot be used for on-line bookings. Complimentary tickets only apply to students who are in *different items* in each concert, *not to students in Grade 5 and up* who perform the same item in both concerts.



- **Recital tickets will go on sale at the beginning of November and are available from the Townsville Civic Theatre and associated booking sites. All parents, family members and friends who wish to see the performance must have a valid ticket, as do any students who plan to watch any section of the concert.**
- Ballet students in Grades 3 and above are invited to perform in the Finale. Students in Grades 3 & 5 performing in the Finale will require their own white tutu, comprised of a white lycra leotard with separate Tutu skirt, in addition to their other costumes. First Class Dancewear has tutus available for sale at an approximate cost of \$135. They will also have a tutu overlay or other embellishments which are provided by the school at an additional cost - \$30.
- **This year we are changing our costume payment arrangements by insisting upon payment for all costumes when the permission form is submitted. All permission notes and costume payments must be finalized no later than Saturday 22nd July. Please note that if for some reason your child is unable to perform in the concert you will still receive your costume but we cannot offer any refunds once the costumes are ordered. If you foresee any problem in paying by 22nd July please contact our office as soon as possible.**

### **VERY IMPORTANT DATES**

- “Full Run” rehearsals to be held at Pirani Hall – compulsory for all students.  
Saturday 18th November from 2.30pm Concert 1  
Sunday 19th November from 10am Concert 2
- Theatre Rehearsals – compulsory for all students  
From Sunday 26th November to Wednesday 29th November- Orientation and run-through. Most students will only need to attend on one of these days.  
Tuesday 28th November – Dress Rehearsal Concert 1  
Wednesday 29th November – Dress Rehearsal Concert 2

A complete schedule for these rehearsals will be provided later in the year.

### **CONDITIONS FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN THE RECITAL**

- ❖ Students must attend all classes in terms 3 and 4
- ❖ Students must attend all additional recital rehearsals including the “Full Run” rehearsals at Pirani Hall and all rehearsals at the Civic Theatre
- ❖ All fees must be paid, including Eisteddfod and private lessons
- ❖ A completed permission note and full costume payment must be received by our office not later than Saturday 22nd July.

**These conditions are compulsory for all students and will be strictly adhered to.**