Dear Parents,

Show week is fast approaching and it promises to be extremely hectic. The following is a timetable of where we need to be and at what time. **I will not be organising transport on Friday evening or Saturday. It will be up to parents to make their own arrangements for these times.** The following times are only approximations and on any given day the children may be running late with finishing times.

**Wednesday 28th August:**
Combined rehearsal at Smiths Hill High School Wollongong.

*Bus will:*
• **Depart Lake Illawarra South Public School at 7:30 am to arrive at Smiths Hill by 8:20am.**

• **Arrive back at Lake Illawarra South School by 4:15pm.** Students will need to bring their lunch and drinks on the day. **School uniform to be worn.**

**Thursday 29th August:**
Technical and dress rehearsal at the Wollongong Entertainment Centre

*Bus will:*
• **Depart school by bus at 7:00 am. We need to arrive at the WEC by 7:45am.**

• **Arrive back at school approximately 6:30pm.**

**PLEASE WEAR BLACK PANTS AND A WHITE SHIRT. This is not the performance outfit and tights and dark jeans or trackies are permitted for this rehearsal.** This is a very long day so please ensure your child has plenty of food, snacks and water. Soft drink and sticky food will not be permitted. Fruit, sandwiches etc are ideal for sustained energy.

**Friday 30th August:**
*Matinee Performance :*

*Bus will:*
**Depart school at 7:40am. We must arrive at the WEC by 8:30am.**

**Depart the WEC at 1:30pm. Return to school before the bell.**

*Evening Performance: Meet at the WEC at 6:00pm. We will meet near the play equipment in the adjacent park for arrival and pick up. Show finishes at approximately 10:15pm. OWN TRANSPORT*
Saturday 31st August:

Matinee Performance:
Arrive at the WEC at 12:40pm. We will meet near the play equipment in the adjacent park for arrival and pick up. Show finishes at 5:00pm. OWN TRANSPORT

IN BETWEEN SHOWS
Students will have dinner in the park next to the WEC. Parents are more than welcome to join us during this time. We will not be ordering dinner as there are over 2,000 students involved and the wait on food is usually too long with only a 1 hour break between shows. Please ensure you have packed plenty of food for and snacks. Sandwiches are great but please pack extra as they will be very hungry. Students will also need a jumper and different top to put over their choir outfits during this time so they stay reasonably clean!!

Evening Performance:
We will move from the park back into the WEC at 6:15pm. Show finishes at approximately 10:30pm. Pick up will be in the park near the play equipment. OWN TRANSPORT

On Friday and Saturday performances, parents have in the past organised a car pool with each other and this has been successful.

Choir Outfit
If you have not already purchased your child’s black dress pants, black shoes and black socks please do so. Mrs Lewis or Mrs Piggott will also need to see the outfit by Friday 16th August to make sure it is as requested by the Southern Stars team.

Southern Stars Meeting
We will be holding a Southern Stars meeting for parents and carers this Friday, 16th August to clarify any questions or concerns that you may have. It will be held in the school library at 2:00pm.

Well Done
All your children have been working so hard learning songs and choralography and should be congratulated.
I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Lewis for all her hard work in preparing your children for the show. She has spent many hours preparing CD’s and lyrics, props and a million other things that all go together to ensure your children are given a wonderful and positive experience.
We are blessed to have such a wonderful teacher!

With Thanks
J.Piggott
Principal