



Instrumental Music Program

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ACT Primary Concert Choir Auditions for 2018

Applications close at the end of Week 6, Term 4, Friday November 17

The ACT Instrumental Music Program is seeking students who will be in Year 4 to Year 6 in 2018 to audition for the ACT Primary Concert Choir (PCC). The PCC rehearses on Thursday afternoons from 4.30pm till 5.30pm during school terms at the IMP in Kaleen. The Primary Concert Choir is conducted by Katharine Finlayson. The choir is an extension and performance opportunity for students in ACT Education and such as the nationally televised Australia vs New Zealand Brumbies Game, Parliament House Open Day, the National Eisteddfod, Step Into the Limelight, Wattle Day Citizenship ceremony and IMP Concerts.

The choir is an excellent opportunity for talented, skilled and committed young singers to work together in an enriching environment. The choir members study and perform challenging repertoire, often by contemporary Australian choral composers. Membership in the PCC is for one year. Students will be required to audition each year for the choir.

Students auditioning for the PCC will have the opportunity to demonstrate their skills in musicianship, intonation (in tune singing), listening, vocal production (tone) and the ability to maintain a harmony part. An additional requirement for success in these auditions will be the students' demonstrated focus, confidence and readiness for a range of high profile performance situations.

The cost for membership in the PCC is \$75. There will be an additional charge of \$25 for the PCC T Shirt and students will be required to wear black formal slacks and black shoes for performances.

Auditions for the PCC will be held after school in Week 7 and 8 of Term 4. Parents can select an audition time through the IMP website or at the link below. You will be advised of the results of the audition during week 9 Term 4.

Rehearsals will commence in Week 3 of Term 1 2018 and continue throughout the year during school terms only.

Audition Requirements

Students will be required to sing the National Anthem, "Advance Australia Fair" (one verse) as a solo and will be asked to sing several other well know songs eg." Twinkle Twinkle Little Star" in several keys to determine the range and tone of the student's voice. The audition will also include several vocal and aural exercises to determine the student's ability to pitch match, listen intently and sing a phrase as a harmony part. The purpose of the audition is to determine the student's skill in intonation (in tune singing) and ability to maintain a harmony part. Much of the PCC repertoire is in two part harmony, occasionally three. There is no requirement for students to prepare a special song for the audition.

During the audition, students will also be assessed in regard to their confidence, independence, focus, ability to follow instructions and **performance readiness** for high profile and pressured situations.

How to apply for an audition:

The application form is online and can be accessed here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/F509BFUYNhNvywbm2>

The form and further information can also be accessed through the IMP website at:

www.imp.act.edu.au

If you do not have internet access please telephone the IMP on 62058265

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