

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**  
**COMBINED FESTIVAL OF MUSIC RECORDER ENSEMBLE**  
***SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE 2019***

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2019, over 1000 children will be meeting at the Sydney Opera House to perform in the Combined Festival of Music, Acacia Concert. This is a hugely exciting event with over 700 children playing recorders supported by a 300 strong instrumental backing orchestra.

Over the past 8 years, children from Merimbula PS have attended and performed in this event and have thoroughly enjoyed the learning of new musical scores, the excitement of travel, sightseeing in Sydney and the thrill of performing on stage at the Opera House - in front of a full house of spectators!

We are now taking expressions of interest from children wanting to attend this year's event. Your child does not necessarily have to be a proficient recorder player yet, as there will be training prior to the concert during school time. We will require commitment from you as a parent and your child will need to practise at home.

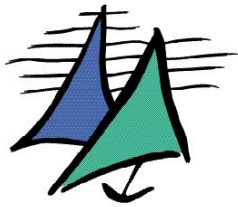
At this stage, I am limited to take **12** students based on ability to perform at Sydney. I am seeking expressions of interest to hold a position open for your child. There is a \$17 entry fee for each of the 12 children. Other costs include travel to and from Sydney, accommodation paid by parents and caregivers, as well as, other sundry expenses. A parent or caregiver will also be required to accompany/supervise his/her child. Your child will also need to provide their own recorder for this event. Any further information will be disseminated as it arises.

Every Merimbula child who has performed so far has thoroughly enjoyed the experience and gained many new skills from it. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to participate in a fantastic event and be a part of a state-wide performing arts festival.

I look forward to this year's event and the participation with your child in this exciting event.

Kind Regards,

Amanda Fowler  
Recorder Ensemble Coordinator



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Dear Ms Fowler,

Thank you for providing the opportunity for my child to participate in the Combined Festival of Music Recorder Ensemble. Please accept this expression of interest for my child

\_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_.

I understand that there will be some fees involved and I will be responsible for the transport, accommodation and sundry costs for my child to attend this event on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> of July, 2019. I also understand that my child will need to practise their own recorder at home to prepare for this event. '

Please find enclosed the \$17 non-refundable deposit to secure my child's place in this event (should he/she be one of the first 12 children to express interest).

Yours Sincerely,

Name of Parent/Caregiver: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_