

MUSIC CAMP 2018

Monday, 28th May – Thursday 31st May 2018

(Week 5, Term 2)

Student Expression of Interest

13/03/18

Dear Students and Parents,

The ninth Sapphire Coast Learning Community (SCLC) Music Camp will be held at Kianinny Resort, Tathra from **9am Monday, 28th May – 9.00pm Thursday 31st May 2018 (Week 5, Term 2)**.

The camp offers students in Years 6 – 10, with an interest in music and performance an opportunity to work with experienced music teachers, professional musicians and peer tutors to further develop their skills. Workshops include but are not limited to: guitar, vocal, wind, brass, percussion, marimba, keyboard, music composition, performance arts, stage band and rock band.

All music learned at camp is performed at a closing night concert held at Tathra Primary School on the evening of Thursday, 31st May, commencing at 7pm and concluding at 9.00pm. Here, students showcase their skills to their families before heading home.

As the camp is offering **places for only 100 students**, schools are allocated a number of places according to the size of the school. In the case that one school receives applications above their allocated number, students will be considered according to their skill level and whether there are enough places available in their preferred workshop to accommodate them.

In 2018 the camp will run for four days from Monday to Thursday and the cost to students will be \$290 (\$190 for subsequent children attending from same family) and covers all tuition, activities, transport to venues in Tathra, accommodation and most meals.

All students must gain signed approval from parents and from the music teacher/coordinator and Principal of their school. No applications will be considered without the Principal's signature.

Please complete the form below and return it to your primary school office or your high school music teacher by Friday 6th April (Term 1 Week 10). Late expressions of interest may not be considered due to limited places offered. Students will be informed of the outcome of their applications during week 1 Term 2, April 31st - 29th 2018.

If you have any questions about the camp please contact Peter Claxton (Principal, Wolumla PS: 6494 9226), Lisa Freedman (Principal, Tathra PS: 6494 1291), Candy McVeity (Bega Valley Public School: 6492 1280) or Robyn Martin (Eden Marine High School: 6496 0000).

We hope you are successful and look forward to seeing you at Music Camp this year.

Regards,

Lisa Freedman, Peter Claxton, Candy McVeity and Robyn Martin
SCLC Music Camp Organisers, 2018

In isolated communities both students and teachers are often presented with limited opportunities to develop musical skills and abilities outside of individual school environments, denying the prospect of extending skills and knowledge beyond the confines of their immediate area. Those wishing to pursue music in further studies or as a profession are disadvantaged when compared to cities and larger regional areas. The Sapphire Coast Music Camp helps to broaden the understanding of musically talented students and address inequality for students in isolated areas who may have limited access to opportunities in learning music.

The aim of the program is to provide students from public schools across the Sapphire Coast region opportunities to learn, rehearse and perform repertoire facilitated by professional musicians and coordinators. The camp is aimed at delivering support, tuition and networking prospects to students, in the company of other musically talented peers.

Dates: Monday, 28th May – 9.00pm Thursday 31st May 2018 (Week 5, Term 2).

Venue: Kianinny Resort, Tathra

Arrival: 9am Monday

Departure: Tathra Public School, Thursday 31st May 9.00pm

Concert time: 7pm – 9.00pm

Cost: \$290.00 (\$190 for subsequent children attending from same family)

Student ensembles/workshops include but are not limited to:

- Concert Band (wind, brass, percussion)
- Vocal group
- Rock Band
- Guitar
- Ukulele
- Recorder
- Marimba
- Percussion
- Composition
- Performance arts

The makeup of all groups will remain flexible to ensure that individual musical abilities are best catered for. On arrival at camp students will be placed into groups which best suit the needs of each ensemble, where their talents can be best served.

Student Numbers

This year we have room for 100 students. If we numbers are in excess of our capacity, schools will be asked to provide names of those who they believe will be most suitable and limits will be set as to the number of students eligible from each school.

Eligibility for Participation

The camp is best suited to children in Stage 3 – Stage 5 (Years 5 – 10). In the case of high numbers of applications in primary schools, it is requested that Year 6 students are prioritised. Schools are asked to approve eligible students, with the most capable being given first preference. All selected students must provide an expression of interest detailing their experience and have the written support of parents and both the schools music coordinator/teacher and Principal.

Cost

The total cost for the four days of the camp will be \$290.00 (\$190 for subsequent children attending from same family) which will include 3 nights accommodation, meals (excluding Monday morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea, which will be pre-packed from home), transport while at the camp (buses to and from venues in Tathra), activities and all tutoring costs.

Venues

Kianinny Resort, Tathra is centrally located within the learning community of schools and provides all of the necessary requirements for staging a camp of this type including accommodation, all meals, extra curricular activities and rehearsal space. Tathra Public School has once again generously offered support by providing rehearsal space and a venue for the end of camp concert in the school hall. Due to the limited room size at Kianinny Resort, larger rehearsal spaces are used in Tathra. These may include the Tathra Surf Lifesaving Club and Tathra Public School hall.

Music teachers and tutors

The music teachers and tutors who are employed to attend the camp oversee ensembles and workshops. They determine repertoire and arrangements. Attending teachers and tutors have a direct connection to the organisation and planning of the camp to ensure the greatest potential of a high quality outcome.

Teachers and tutors are yet to be finalised for this years' camp, however selection of suitable candidates will be considerate of teaching qualifications, experience with students and professional standing. Tutors will include qualified primary teachers, high school music teachers and professional musicians/tutors. All tutors have valid working with children checks as per DEC policy.

Music Program

Each year a theme is chosen around which all music is performed. This year, for the first time, we are announcing our theme ahead of the camp, which will be **'The 80's'**. This is in order that students can adequately prepare for this epic period of musical excellence. We want to relive this wonderful period and witness the music, clothes and hairstyles come alive again in the students who attend. Each teacher will select a number of arrangements suitable for the skill level of their ensemble. The expectation of all teachers is that they will be able to have their ensembles ready to perform ensemble and combined group pieces to a public audience of parents, carers and invited guests at Tathra Public School hall from approx. 7pm - 9.00pm on the final evening of the camp. Selected items from the camp will be performed again at the Performing Arts Festival in Term 3 at the Bega Town Hall.

Peer Mentor Leadership program

Since 2013 a group of students from Eden Marine High School and Bega High School (from Years 10 – 11) have been invited to attend the music camp as peer mentors (at no personal cost). These students are selected due to their high level of musical competence and exemplary behavior at previous music camps. The Principals of the two high schools along with the students' music teachers also endorsed their selection. This model is highly valued and will be repeated in 2018. The selected students will work with teachers and tutors to assist younger students in workshops and with general organisation, they may be required to arrange music to be performed and assist with rehearsal and stage management. These students will also be expected to perform in the camp rock band with younger peers, performing also at the SCLC Performing Arts Festival in Term 3.

Sponsorship

Through a music grant from the DoE Regional Arts Council the camp is heavily subsidised allowing us to offer the camp to students at a greatly reduced price. We are also supported by Kianinny Resort, school subsidies and anonymous donors.

Please return the following two pages to your school office by **Friday April 6th, 2018**

Please do not send money with this application. This is an expression of interest only and does not guarantee a place at the camp.

Successful applicants will be notified in writing during week 1 Term 2, April 30th – May 4th 2018.

1. Your details:

Name: _____ **Gender:** M / F
School: _____ **Grade/Year:** _____ **Age:** _____

2. Have you attended the SCLC Music Camp in the past? Yes / No

3. Skills:

Main instrument(s) (Singers write 'Vocal'): _____

Please circle: Private tuition, school music program, self-taught

1- 3 years 4 - 5 years 6 years+

Please give more details about your skill level: _____

marimba	percussion (including all drums)	keyboard	ukulele
recorder	composition (song writing)	guitar	strings
vocal	dance	wind	brass
Other:			

4. Other interests: (please circle/highlight any you have a particular interest in)

Do you have particular skills in any of the above you have circled? Yes / No
 (If yes, please give more details below)

5. Before submitting your application please ensure you have signatures of endorsement from:

1. your School Music Teacher or primary school music coordinator
2. your school Principal
3. your parent

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Music Teacher/ school music coordinator:

Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

School Principal:

Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Declaration:

As the parent/guardian for _____
(Student name)

I give permission for his / her participation in the 2018 Sapphire Coast Learning Community Music Camp from **9am Monday, 28th May – 9.00pm Thursday 31st May 2018 (Week 5, Term 2)**.

I understand that signing this Expression of Interest does not guarantee a placement for my child. I also understand that the Principal will have the right to veto my child's involvement at any time.

My child agrees to conduct his /herself according to all of the rules and guidelines of camp coordinators and is aware that any breach of such policies could result in their exclusion from the camp.

I am also aware that the cost for the camp is \$290 (\$190 for subsequent siblings) and should my child be successful, agree to pay this full amount by Friday, May 13th 2018.

Parent/Guardians Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Logo Design Competition

In 2018 we would like to give students the opportunity to design the T-Shirt Logo for this years camp.

The only design prerequisite for the logo is that it must have a connection to music and include the words:

'Sapphire Coast Learning Community (or SCLC) Music Camp 2018'

As the design will feature on our T-shirts it should be bold and not too finely detailed, as this can get lost during the screen printing process.

To enter, simply submit your design (clearly labelled with your name age/year and school on the back), with your EOI on or before Friday April 6th, 2018