



26 March 2024

2024 MURWILLUMBAH PS RECORDER ENSEMBLE

Dear Parents,

It has been exciting to work with our Recorder Ensemble on Wednesday mornings this term and hear beautiful music playing as our skills develop and the weeks progress. It is a joy to see how excited the kids are as they master each new section of music.

I am sending this note to all students who presented themselves on School Photo Day for the Recorder Ensemble photo. Since the photo day, some of these students have attended each Wednesday morning, some have attended a few times, some haven't attended at all. Of course, there have been some days that students are absent due to sickness. All 20 students who presented for the photo are most welcome to be in our Ensemble and attend regular rehearsals.

Some students also attend on Wednesday at lunch time if they need help to work on certain parts. Most students who were in the Sydney Recorder Ensemble last year don't require the extra assistance therefore don't need to attend the lunchtime session.

I'm sure you understand that regular rehearsal of all members is paramount to our progress as an ensemble, success and satisfaction of music making together. We all rely on each other as a team with every person being an important and integral member particularly as there are 5 different recorder parts to be played from beginners to more advanced parts of Descant, Treble, Tenor and Bass within our music.

I have entered our Ensemble into the Murwillumbah Festival of Performing Arts (last week of Term 2) and have booked a Quality Work slot for them at assembly next term. As previously announced, we are not travelling to Sydney to perform this year. In Term 1 and Term 2, we are working on the following tunes:

- Psalm 100
- In the Serpentine Mine
- Concertino Bianco
- Western Theme (Year 4 students only)

I am asking for confirmation of your child's participation (or not) in 2024 Recorder Ensemble.

If your child is not participating, could you please return the recorder to me complete with end caps and joining parts fitted, recorder grease pot and cleaning rod in the case. Please clean the recorder in hot soapy water before returning. I will then sign the recorder loan off in the Borrowing Register.

The Recorder Ensemble Photo will be retaken on Wednesday 1 May so that we can accurately reflect the 2024 Recorder Ensemble members in our school photo archives.

I look forward to your response to this consent note by Tuesday 2 April on School Bytes.

Many thanks
Vikki Armour
Music Teacher

Tim Gamble
Assistant Principal

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Child's name: _____

Yes, my child is participating in the 2024 Recorder Ensemble and will attend rehearsals on Wednesday mornings at 8.00am

No, my child is NOT participating in the 2024 Recorder Ensemble

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian) Date: _____