21st February 2017

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

**Re: CATHOLIC SCHOOL MUSIC FESTIVAL 2017**

Your child has shown an interest in being part of the *Catholic Schools Music Festival (CSMF)* this year, which will be held at the ADELAIDE ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE for 2 nights in September. This is an amazing opportunity for your child and will be a wonderful experience. They will be singing on stage with approximately 800 students from Catholic schools around the state.

The performance dates are:

**Term 3 Week 9** - **Tuesday 19th September or Wednesday 20th September.**

We will be performing on only one of these days, but you must keep both dates free. Please check your diaries.

Rehearsals will be held on **Tuesdays from 2:25 – 3:10pm.** The choir is a commitment from Term 1 through until the end of the performances in Term 3.

The cost to participate in the choir is $45. This fee will cover the cost for the students to participate in this event including song books, rehearsal CDs, transport to out of school rehearsals, and registration fees.

Attached are 2 forms:

1. A consent form for production of a DVD and publication of photographs. This form will be forwarded to the Catholic Education Office. If you have any concerns about this form please come and see me. If the form is not signed, your child will not be able to participate on the night.

2. A commitment form to be signed by the student and the parent/caregiver.

Please return these forms with the fee to the office by **Tuesday 7th March.** Your child will not receive a choir book or CD until the fee has been paid in full.

If you have any questions, please contact the school or email me directly at mharrald@ihm.catholic.edu.au

Yours sincerely,

**Melanie Harrald**  
**CHOIR DIRECTOR**
Catholic Schools Music Festival 2017

Parent Consent Form

I, _________________________ (Parent/Caregiver), have read the introduction letter regarding the Catholic Schools Music Festival Choir and have:

- Discussed the commitment required of my child in taking part in the choir.
- Have noted the dates (19th and 20th September) and understand that each of these nights must be kept free until the final date of the performance is released.
- Understand that a fee of $45 is required to help cover the cost of each student’s own songbook, CD, bus fees, and registration costs.
- Understand that rehearsals will be on Tuesdays from 2:25 – 3:10pm, and that any work missed out on in class will need to be made up in the student’s own time.

Signed: ___________________________  Date: ______________

Student Contract

Child’s Name: ___________________________  Class: ___________________________

I commit myself to the 2017 Catholic Schools Music Festival.

I understand that I must attend all weekly practice sessions as well as the Hub Assessment and Rehearsals.

I understand that once a commitment is made I must see it through to the end.

Signed: _______________________________________ (Student)

(Please return to the office along with the fee of $45 by Tuesday 7th March)