



ST LAURENCE'S COLLEGE

A Catholic School for boys in the Edmund Rice Tradition

19 May 2020

Dear Parents and Students

Ensemble rehearsals will re-commence in a staged approach following QCEC and Queensland Government guidelines. Please note, these are subject to change at anytime should the Covid 19 advice change.

Concert Bands and Big Bands

We do not have the capacity for appropriate social distancing in rehearsal spaces for ensembles that require students to blow air into instruments. Consequently, all Concert Band and Big Band rehearsals will remain on hold for Term 2, then re-commence in Term 3.

Singing Groups

Brotherhood, Big Brotherhood and Treblehood rehearsals have commenced with appropriate social distancing. This is possible due to the large rehearsal venue and no equipment being needed. Little Brotherhood will commence rehearsals in ERPAC on Wednesday, 27 May. Reblehood and Middlehood will rehearse as usual in MU 2 from next Thursday, 28 May.

Guitar Orchestras

Guitar orchestra rehearsals will commence from Tuesday, 26 May with small group size and appropriate social distancing in McElligott Theatre. Guitar Orchestra 2 will split their rehearsals across McElligott Theatre and Drama Room 1. Ms Ellis will advise Guitar Orchestra 2 students which venue to attend.

Percussion Ensembles

Percussion Ensembles 2 and 3 will re-commence rehearsals in Term 3 with appropriate social distancing and hygiene procedures. Percussion Ensemble 1 will work on a special project – Mr Carvolth will contact Percussion Ensemble 1 regarding this.

String Orchestras

Due to small rehearsal space and inability to implement appropriate social distancing, string orchestras will remain on hold for Term 2, then re-commence in Term 3.

Concerts

All Term 2 concerts have been cancelled. Future concerts will depend on Queensland Government and QCEC advice regarding large group gatherings.

Queensland Catholic Colleges Music Festival is cancelled for 2020.

Students are encouraged to continue to play through their ensemble music regularly. We look forward to music ensembles performing again in the future.

Yours sincerely

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