

15th April 2015

Mount Gambier Jazz Festival Update

Dear Parents,

As you would be aware all students in the Stage Band and Swing Band are required to participate in the Mt Gambier Jazz Festival trip. Students will be departing from Mazenod College at 6:30am on Friday 1st May and will return on the evening of Sunday 3rd May.

Mr Coghlan will be joining myself and Mr Melitsis to assist with the supervision of the students. Father Christian Fini will be joining us for the weekend and will be saying Mass for us as well. Mrs Helen Sauer will also be joining us for the weekend.

Staff and students will be staying at **Allendale East Area School** (East Bay Road, Allendale SA 5291 (08) 8738 7321) <http://www.alleastas.sa.edu.au/>. There is easy access to toilets/showers as well as some kitchen facilities, if needed. Students will be sleeping on airbeds which will be set up in classrooms, please note the rooms will have access to air conditioning and heating. There will be two rooms available for students and will be split between the two groups. There will be a further two rooms available for staff.

As the school is approximately 20 minutes from the performance areas we will have access to a bus for the entire weekend.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR VCE STUDENTS

VCE students who have SAC's in the week we return must see Mr Coghlan to organise rescheduling.

What to take

Students will be required to take 3 sets of clothes for the weekend:

Casual dress – Students are permitted to wear this on the Friday while we travel to Mount Gambier
Winter School Uniform – Blazer, Shirt, tie, Grey pants, Black leather shoes. This will be worn for the performances on Saturday morning

Tour Uniform- College polo shirt and rain jacket, Grey pants, black leather shoes. This will be worn after the performances on Saturday as well as on Sunday.

Students will also need the following;

- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Toiletries (Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste/Toothbrush)
- Pyjamas
- Socks/Underwear for 3 days
- While students are permitted to bring mobile phones and other electronic devices, they are responsible for their safe keeping.
- Spending money is permitted but the only meal they will be required to pay for a lunch stop on the way home. Please do not send him with large amounts of money.

Medication

If specific medication is required on a daily basis it is imperative to inform either myself or Mr Tony Coghlan. Also please inform us on the attached medical form of any particular instructions in regards to doses and frequency. **Medical form and payment is due on Friday 24th April.**

Schedule for the Weekend

Friday (Casual Dress)

6:30am Leave for Mount Gambier from Mazenod College
11:30am Lunch (**please note a packed lunch will be required**)
1:00pm Approximate arrival time at **Allendale East Area School**
5:00pm Official dinner and Welcome Concert
8:15pm Concert concludes

Saturday (Winter School Uniform/Tour Uniform)

6:00am Breakfast (selection of cereal and fruit)
7:40am Swing Band performance (Wilson Pavilion)
10:40am Stage Band performance (MGA Pavilion)
12:00pm Lunch (packed lunch provided; Vegetarian, Gluten free, Dairy free options available)
3:00pm Mass
5:00pm Dinner (Vegetarian, Gluten free, Dairy free options available)
7:00pm Evening Concert (James Morrison and the Hot Horn Happening, Take 6)
10:00pm Concert concludes
11:00pm lights out

Sunday (Tour Uniform)

8:00am Breakfast (cooked breakfast)
9:30am Participants Masterclasses
11:15am Lunch
1:00pm Finale Concert (James Morrison and the Hot Horn Happening, Take 6, Superbands),
3:00pm Announcements of results
3:30pm Depart Mount Gambier for Mazenod College
9:30pm (approximate time) – Arrive at Mazenod College

(Students will confirm arrival time an hour before E.T.A.)

Contact details

Frank Blakiston: 0425 782 159
Tony Coghlan: 0488 788 137

Payment

The cost to students is \$100. The College is supplementing the expenses associated with the event. Payment may be made by cheque, cash or credit card. Please forward cash or cheque to Ms Walton in the Music Office or contact reception to make a credit card payment.

Thank you for the support of this tour and please feel free to contact me to discuss any of your concerns (fblakiston@mazenod.vic.edu.au).

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Frank Blakiston
Director of Music (Operations)
Mazenod College

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Cash - \$100

Cheques – \$100 (*Please make all cheques out to Mazenod College*)

Credit Card

If you wish to pay by credit card, please fill in the following details.

CARD DETAILS: VISA MASTERCARD **Amount \$**

Card No: _____ \ _____ \ _____ \ _____

Expiry Date: ____ \ ____

Signature: _____

Name on Card: _____

*If parents have already paid, please disregard.

Please return Cash or Cheque payments to the music office in the Founders' Complex