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NEW OFFICE TEAM MEMBER

Rachel Neale, formerly a stellar SSO at Trinity Gardens Primary School, has been appointed as the new office secretary for the Music Society. Rachel has experience as a choir trainer so knows how easy it is! She has also been a volunteer helper at Festival time and her enthusiasm and belief in what we all do for children will mean another outstanding person joins the team.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE AHEAD

Once more we are looking forward to seeing you and hearing of your challenges and triumphs. This is the second and last of the training conferences that form part of the agreement to join the Festival of Music. The conference will be held at Adelaide West Uniting Church, 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park. Sign on time is 9.00 for a 9.30 a.m. start. It's a BYO lunch but the Music Society will provide tea/coffee and morning tea as a small gesture to say thank you for all you do.

REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Regional leaders will be having a conference on Friday 2nd at the Klemzig office. Deb will

be running a conducting workshop concurrently on this day. Late acceptances by Wednesday 1st May for Choir Trainers who wish to come as observers.

CHOREOGRAPHY DVDs

These have now been produced and are ready for distribution. Adelaide Schools will pick them up at the next conference. All other schools will receive them by courier. There is no further cost for these. They are part of the bargain you got with affiliation.

THIS TERM IS ASSESSMENT TERM

By now you should have received the assessment email sent last term. Remember, just about everything we despatch to schools ends up on the Teacher Page/Despatches drop-down within a few hours of the original send.

If you feel threatened by "assessment" think about how children feel every time you trot out a test and tell them you only want to find out what they know. For us the assessment is indeed meant to provide you with healthy feedback but equally the rating helps us mix and match choirs to ensure all concerts are of equally high standard.

Recent PDFs emailed:

Assessment Schedule
emailed last week of
Term 1

A grid of Compere
Nominees are with this
Update.

COMING SOON

Pre-audition solo work-
shops

29/4
30/4
5/5
7/5

Solo nominations
due 16/5/08

Compere Auditions
25/5/08
(was 13 May)

How much are the T-shirts?

The printed children's sizes are \$7.50 at the moment. The price fell off the form that is on your Handbook CDrom, but appears correctly on the website PDF Handbook and website "Form" menu.

Website competition

Term 2 competition is now underway and students can have a go at winning a CD of their choice. Please encourage the children to feel the Student Page is their own.

Foyer Concerts

Ever thought about presenting a group to showcase in the Foyer Concert program? We will be sending applications and information next week.