

Sunbury & Macedon Ranges Specialist School

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Debutante Ball , Notice 3 20th July 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We continue to work on arrangements for this year's ball and will update our newsletter on a regular basis. A copy of the newsletters will be available in hard copy, sent home with your child, via our XUNO platform to individual families and will be available on our school website shortly, www.smrss.vic.edu.au. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at school.

Date and Venue

Thursday 7th September at the Melrose Reception Centre, now Melrose Events in Tullamarine

Costs for the Debutantes and their partners

Girls will be charged \$290.

Boys will be charged \$380.

Tickets

Thanks to the families who have returned their notes regarding the number of tickets you require. I have attached another form at the bottom of this newsletter so if you haven't returned you note, can you please return them to me by Wednesday July 26th.

Dietary Requirements/Food Allergies

The students are working on the menu for the ball and will be asking families for any special dietary requirements in the coming weeks.

Participant/Partners

As highlighted in our first newsletter, our participant numbers at this stage are 30, 10 girls and 20 boys. We have been working closely with our dance instructor and staff, to determine how to best include all participants in this year's ball. We aim to finalise these details by the first week in August and will communicate this with families as soon as possible. This will include the list of partners.

Rehearsals

Rehearsals are at Bullengarook on Tuesdays at 1:45pm in the gym with the final two practices to be conducted at Melrose. Our dance instructors are Kym Smith and will be assisted by classroom teachers during the rehearsal sessions.

Payment

Thanks to the families who have paid their child's participation costs. A reminder that families can pay the participation cost in full or part payments, with the final payments for the Debutants and Partners being due on Friday

August 20th. If you wish to arrange a payment schedule, please contact Sam in the office at Bullengarook.

Full payment of guest's tickets must also be paid by Friday August 6th.

Clothing

<u>Girls</u> are expected to wear a long pure white dress and flat white shoes. No strapless dresses or stiletto heels please.

Please contact the school as soon as possible if you required assistance with your child's dress.

Gloves for debutantes and their partners, will be supplied by the school.

There has been a change in the hiring of the suits. In previous years the boys have hired formal suits from Essendon Bridal and Formal Hire. This year that has changed to Ferrari Formal Hire, 266 Keilor Road Essendon North, who will visit the campus in the comings weeks to measure each boy for their suit. This year, suit hire will include pants, shirt, jacket, tie, and shoes. Suits will be available to families approximately two weeks prior to the deb so they can be tried on to ensure they fit correctly. If there are any concerns about how the suit fits, please contact us as soon as possible. Please ensure your son has a change of clothes on the night so the suits can be collected by school staff. School will arrange for the suits to be returned to Ferrari Formal Hire on Friday September 8th. Any suit not able to be collected by staff on the night, can be returned to Bullengarook before 11.00am on Friday September 8th. Any suits not returned via the school will need to be returned by the family by Friday September 8th and any extra cost incurred, will be the responsibility of the family.

Special Arrangements

A high standard of behaviour is expected of students on the night.

As the students are presented, a short introduction will be read out for each student. This introduction will be compiled in conjunction with the students and their families.

Thanks and regards,

Brendan Nolan

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Family name	
Approximate number of tickets required	
Signature	
Phone	