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Debutante Ball,

Newsletter 4

1st August 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians,

A reminder this notice will be available in hard copy, sent home with your child, via our XUNO platform to individual families and on our school website shortly, www.smrss.vic.edu.au. All previous newsletters are available on our website. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at school.

Date and Venue

Thursday 7th September at the Melrose Events in Tullamarine

Participation fees and tickets

Thanks to those families who have paid their participation fees. A reminder that participant fees are due soon, Monday August 21st, girls \$290 and boys \$380.

Thanks also to those families who have returned their notes for ticket requirements. If you haven't let us know how many tickets your family requires, please contact the Bullengarook campus as soon as possible.

Ticket update. Confirming tickets for adults are \$75.00 each, \$35 for children under 12 and infants are no charge. This includes a meal and soft drinks/water and payment is now due. A reminder the Deb Ball is an alcohol-free event.

Payment can be made at either the Sunbury or Bullengarook office or by transferring the money into the school account, BSB 063548, account number 00900251, reference student name and Deb Ball

Seating arrangements

We are planning tables of 10 and a seating plan will be in place for the night. Places will be determined according to family groupings and the number of tickets purchased. Debutantes and the partners will sit at separate tables to their families. To assist with individual table arrangements, we will be placing name cards for each seat, so people know where to sit when they arrive.

Could you please return the form below by Friday, August 18th, with the names of the people attending so we can have these cards made, ready for the night.

Dietary Requirements/Food Allergies

If any of your party have special dietary requirements or food allergies, can you please include them on the form below.

Participant/Partners

Partners have been finalised and will be communicated directly to the families next week.

Rehearsals

Our final rehearsal at Bullengarook is Tuesday August 15th, with the following three rehearsals taking place at Melrose Events. This will allow student to familiarise themselves with the ballroom layout and understand where they will enter the dance floor and their positions on the night. Our dance instructor Kym Smith will be in attendance as will our classroom teachers during the rehearsal sessions.

Clothing

Girls 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.

John from Ferrari Formal Hire was at school on Tuesday and took measurements for suit fittings. The suits will be delivered to school on Tuesday August 22nd and be sent home with each student. Families are asked to try on the suits as soon as possible and contact John from Ferrari Formal Hire directly, if any adjustment need to be made.

Shoes

A reminder to families that shoes are included in the suit hire.

Suit hire return

Please ensure your child has a **change of clothes** on the night so the suits can be collected. School will arrange for the suits to be returned to Ferrari Formal Hire on Friday September 8th. Any suit that is 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.**

Individual introductions

Each debutante and their partner will be introduced to the guests as they make their way to the dance floor to be presented to our official guests. The students have been working on their introduction over recent days which will come home for you to check and approve soon. If you are happy with the introduction, or need any changes made, please let your child's classroom teacher know via Xuno by Friday September 1st.

Student drop off on June 9th.

Students need to be at the Sunbury Campus at 3.15pm on the day. Please do not be earlier than 3.15pm as the buses leaving the Sunbury campus need the driveway to be clear of traffic.

Limousines

As the students need to be at the reception centre two hours before the guests. It is planned for them to travel from the Sunbury Campus in limousines. They are all extremely excited at the prospect of travelling by limousine for this once in a lifetime experience. Students would travel home from the ball with their parents.

Thanks and regards,

Brendan Nolan

