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Our vision at MPW is to foster a community of life-long learners. We strive to develop socially responsible and resilient individuals who are working towards achieving their full potential.

Friday 31st March, 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Term one has been a busy time in early years, settling our Foundation students and 1 and 2s into their new schedules, for this reason the junior choir had been put on hold. We thank you for your patience.

We have just commenced a trial singing classroom program in the foundation and level 1 students, 30 minutes once a week. Our aim is support the students' memory capacity, attentiveness, pattern recognition, rhythmic understanding and facility, body/mind coordination, volume control, connectedness, curiosity and creative initiates through making music together. Singing together is particularly great for building literacy and numeracy by developing language structure and grammar, playing with language (rhyming, alliterations), pronunciation, accents and rhythm of our language. The limited text and high level of repetition involved in singing helps reinforce many of these concepts in a fun environment.

Making music together promotes cooperation and interaction, simultaneous listening and vocalisation, group awareness and other valuable learning skills. For these reasons, and many others, we will be re-commencing the Junior Choir in week 7 of term 2. Due to my study commitments I will miss the first 6 weeks of term 2, again, thank you for your patience. There are no auditions required, all foundation to grade 2 students are welcome. The exact time for junior choir will be decided upon shortly.

As in previous years the junior choir will perform for you a junior musical at our end of year concert. I look forward to another sensational year working with the students to create our own spectacular production for the end of year concert.

Kind Regards,

Jeff Lyon