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## Southern Stars 2024 - Expressions of Interest

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our school is participating in the **Southern Stars - The Arena Spectacular** for 2024 and we would like to offer the opportunity for interested **Stage 3** students to be a part of this event. This large-scale, annual event is held at the WIN Stadium in Wollongong, and offers thousands of public school students from Years K-12 an opportunity to showcase their talents with live singers and a live orchestra. More information about this amazing event can be found at the website <https://www.southernstarsarenaspectacular.com/>

Please note that we can only allow this opportunity if we have adequate student interest.

Participating students from TAPS will perform as part of a 'mass dance group', whereby they will perform a routine with 5-6 other primary school groups, as well as perform in 2 finale routines with the entire cast of the show. This exciting opportunity provides lasting memories for students.

Details for the event so far include:

### **Cost**

Parents/carers will need to cover the cost of the following:

- Rehearsals room hire fee – approximately \$10
- Costume - TBC - approximately \$60-\$65 (some of the cost **MAY** be subsidised by the school)
- Southern Stars Hoodie (*OPTIONAL*) - \$50

Thomas Acres Public School will cover the cost of the following:

- Student participation fee
- Southern Stars T-Shirt (to be worn during performances)

### **REHEARSALS**

2 rehearsals throughout Term 2 and/or Term 3 - **Dates and Venue TBC**

*Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August* - Mass Dance Rehearsal - WIN Entertainment Centre





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## SHOW WEEK

### Technical and Dress Rehearsal

*Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August* - Mass Dance Rehearsal - WIN Entertainment Centre

*Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August* - Mass Dress Rehearsal - WIN Entertainment Centre

### Shows

*Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August* – Matinee (10am) and Evening (7pm) - WIN Entertainment Centre

*Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August* – Matinee (2pm) and Evening (7pm) - WIN Entertainment Centre

**NOTE:** Students **MUST** be committed to **ALL** rehearsals and performances. Please thoroughly look at all dates and ensure there are no clashes with other commitments.

### Transport

To reduce the cost of travel fees and paying for a bus to and from the event, we are looking for expressions of interest for parents/carers who are willing to transport their child for rehearsals and shows. Parents/carers would need to be committed to transporting their child to and from rehearsals and performances. In the past, parents have decided to team up and carpool to reduce the amount of travel. Students will be supervised at all times by school staff whilst at the venue.





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My child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ would like to participate in Southern Stars - The Arena Spectacular 2024.

I understand that:

- Parents/carers are responsible for covering rehearsal and costume costs
- Students **MUST** be fully committed to the rehearsals and performances
- Students will be filmed with footage distributed to other schools for the purpose of rehearsals
- Our school's involvement in the show is subject to adequate student and parent/carer interest.

**Please tick one:**

**Yes** – I am willing and able to transport my child **or** organise suitable transport for my child to and from rehearsals.

**No** – I am unable to transport my child **or** organise suitable transport for my child to and from rehearsals.

Parent/carer name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

