

22 March 2009

Hi everyone,

The Kiwanis Music Festival is quickly approaching and I'm really happy with how well both choirs are doing as they prepare for this fun and important arts event in our community.

Before I give you specific times, etc. there are just a couple of things I need to inform you of first.

1. Senior Youth Singers

Please be aware that we will rehearse until 7:30 on Wednesday, March 25th. For parents who were not informed of this last week, I truly apologize for inconveniencing you and for throwing unnecessary wrenches into your schedules.

2. T-shirt Orders

If you need a new choir t-shirt and have not already requested one, please let me know as soon as possible.

3. Choir Uniforms

Our uniform consists of our red "SING" t-shirt (mentioned above), black bottoms and black shoes. I would *prefer* that the girls wear skirts, but if this is going to cause a small explosion in your household (as it may in mine), your daughter can wear black dress pants (no jeans please).

4. Easter Break

We will have no choir on Wednesday, April 15th.

Here are the details with regards to dates, times and practices for both choirs.

Tuesday, March 31st Children's Choir

4:00-5:00	meet at Gilbert Paterson to warm up and review songs
6:10	meet at Southminster United Church in the gymnasium
6:30	we sing "Aardvarks on the Ark"
6:45	we sing "Kyrie", "Sing a Song of Nonsense" and "Good Night"
7:15	we sing "Song of the River"

Once the children have come into the sanctuary at 6:30, they will remain there until 7:30 when we are done, so please ensure that they have used the washroom before they arrive at 6:10.

The adjudicator will comment on our songs between each class.

Parents, there is a \$2.00 admission charge.

Youth Singers, if at all possible, it would be great if you could be there as audience members to support the Children's Choir.

Wednesday, April 1st Youth Singers

4:00-5:00	meet at Gilbert Paterson to warm up and review songs
6:10	meet at Southminster United Church in the gymnasium
6:30	we sing "Cross the Wide Missouri"
6:45	we sing "One Small Voice"
7:15	we sing "Kyrie", "Where E're You Walk" and "Joshua"
7:30	Senior Youth Singers sing "Fare Thee Well"

Once the singers have come into the sanctuary at 6:30, they will remain there until 7:45 when we the Senior Youth Singers are done, so please ensure that you use the washroom before you arrive at 6:10.

The adjudicator will comment on our songs between each class.

Parents, there is a \$2.00 admission charge.

Children's Choir families, if at all possible, it would be great if you could be there as audience members to support the Children's Choir.

Provincial Music Festival (if we are invited to participate)

Depending on how the adjudicator marks us, we may be invited to go to Edmonton to represent Lethbridge in the provincial music festival. This would be on **Saturday, May 9th**.

We should know by April 3rd if one or both choirs have been invited to attend.

Thanks for your support, cooperation and good humour with me. As always, I appreciate all that you do as singers, parents and families to make all of this possible for our choirs. I am a very grateful choral conductor J. If you foresee any problems in this schedule or have any concerns, please contact me by [email \(matkka@uleth.ca\)](mailto:matkka@uleth.ca) or telephone (403.328.1783) anytime.

Musically yours,

Kathy