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Dear Parents/Guardians

MUSIC TOUR 2018

We are very excited to inform the St Margaret's community of a unique tour opportunity for music students being offered during the June/July holidays in 2018. The tour will take students to the historic cities of Prague, Vienna and Salzburg, and promises to provide students with rewarding visits to sites of historic, artistic and cultural significance.

In Prague students will visit the Prague Castle, St Vitus Cathedral, Waldstein Gardens and Lobkowitz Museum and also provide a performance in St Salvator Church. Whilst in Vienna, students will have the opportunity to participate in the *Summa Cum Laude* Festival. The *Summa Cum Laude* Festival provides the girls with the opportunity to perform in the Musikverein (home of the Vienna Philharmonic), St Stephen's Cathedral, as well as participate in music workshops organised by the University of Vienna. Further information on the festival is available at: <http://www.sclfestival.org/>. The tour will travel through the beautiful Wachau Valley, considered one of the most spectacular stretches of river valley in Europe, to then arrive in Salzburg. In Salzburg students will visit St Peter's Abbey Church, Salzburg Cathedral as well as Mozart's birthplace. There may also be the opportunity to perform in the Mirabell Palace Gardens. Of course, no trip to Salzburg would be complete without participating in *The Sound of Music* tour! Please see the attached draft itinerary for further details.

The tour will be open to students currently in Years 7-11 and will be held in the June/July holidays with a departure date of Monday 2 July 2018, returning to Brisbane on Saturday 14 July 2018.

Final costs are still to be confirmed and will be dependent on numbers committing to the tour. Based on 30 students attending, the estimated cost will be approximately \$6,200 per student.

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday 8 August** in the **Arts Centre Foyer** at **6pm** to provide further details. This will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions and find out more specifics as to how the tour will operate.

Should you require any further information in advance of the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me on 07 3862 0705.

I look forward to your daughter's involvement in this very exciting tour.

Yours sincerely

Brad King
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