

# RAUMATI BEACH SCHOOL

26 September 2019

Dear Parents & Guardians,

## TALENT QUEST 2019

If your child wants to enter the Talent Quest this year, it's time to chat to them about the following information.

Our annual whole school Talent Quest will be held in term 4 (tentative date, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November, Week 7). Prior to that there will be class heats to select finalists for team heats, followed by team heats to select finalists. Since every team has other commitments to work around, there will be more information about the heats from your child's teacher and team at a later date.

There will be 3/4 categories, Singing, Dancing/Gymnastics, and Musical Instruments. (Comedy/Drama will be included if we get enough entries). Contestants will be judged in year groups as follows: **Juniors Years 1- 4 and Seniors Years 5 - 8.**

**To enable contestants to prepare efficiently, these are the rules for the finals.**

### Rules

- Items should be **approximately 2 minutes and no longer than 3 minutes** long. Items need to be performed live.
- **Bands need to play their own music**, if they have a backing track, it becomes another category- Drama.
- **No songs with inappropriate words/themes**, *this includes music you are dancing to as well.*
- You will be judged on technical skill, presentation, originality, quality. Please make sure you let your teachers/**judges and audience** know if you have composed/choreographed/written your own item.
- You need to **introduce yourself and your act. You need to have a definite ending to your act** eg. a bow or curtsy. This signals the technicians to turn your music off.
- If you are singing using a backing track **ensure there are no other vocals on it** (you can't sing along with the original artist). Backing tracks can be found on youtube. These will be played at your performance but the audience **will not** be able to see the video clip.
- **Backing music must be provided to your child's teacher on a usb stick or preferably by link to You Tube. These are the only acceptable formats.** We do not have the technology to cope with anything else.

Thank you for your support. We are all looking forward to enjoying some of the fabulous talent we have at our school!

Regards,

Molly Daubé

**TALENT QUEST ORGANISER**