

# WAKAKIRRI

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST 2018

## Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our school will be participating in Wakakirri this year. Students will be creating a 'Story Dance' and performing at Riverside Theatre during the 20th - 24th August (exact date to be confirmed later in the year). This program is for all students in years 3-6. Students will work with teachers and willing parent volunteers to create a Wakakirri Story Dance. There will be a cost involved (\$55) and **there will be a commitment to two lunch time rehearsals in Term 2 and possibly a morning practice in Term 3.**

## What is Wakakirri?

Wakakirri is a national Story Dance Festival for Australian Primary and Secondary schools. Participating schools create a Story Dance to perform in professional theatres for audiences of family, friends and members of the Wakakirri National Panel (Justine Clarke, James Elmer and Rachel Beck) who are searching for 'Story of the Year'.

A Wakakirri Story Dance is a 3-7 minute student performance utilising a combination of dancing, creative movement and/or acting to prerecorded music. Schools can tell any story with any combination of dance, creative movement, acting, music, sets, costumes etc. The possibilities are endless.

Performing in Wakakirri is an experience students never forget. A unique sense of camaraderie develops among students during rehearsals and participants spend Show Day rehearsing and engaging with other schools. That night, students walk the red carpet with our panel representatives and perform live on stage. Each production is filmed for a weekly online publication, Waka TV. National results are announced in October.

Please talk to your child about whether they would like to participate in this activity. Please hand the Expression of Interest slip to **Miss Shen** (not to the office) by **Wednesday 7th March**. Please do this as soon as possible as we are expecting a lot of interest and places are limited.

Dural Public School's Wakakirri Teachers

### Dural Public School's Wakakirri Program 2018

My child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ would like to participate in the Wakakirri Program in 2018.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

