

WAKAKIRRI

AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST PERFORMING ARTS EVENT FOR SCHOOLS

Show Day Coordinator - Script - Welcome to Show Day!

[Have teacher bag & souvenir poster handy]

Hi everyone, Welcome to Wakakirri!!! My name is [XXX](#) and I am your Show Day Coordinator.

Next to me is [XXX](#), your marshal, who will help you move quickly, safely and quietly around this amazing theatre. When you get to the stage you'll meet [XXX](#) and [XXX](#), your stage managers.

We are your Waka Crew and we are all here to help you out with whatever you need and make sure that you have the BEST time.

Our Wakakirri Ambassador, [XXX](#) will be watching your rehearsals and giving your performance wonderful feedback and lastly, [XXX](#) is our host, who you'll all meet later at the Pre-Show Pump-Up.

- Hands up if you've done Wakakirri before?
- Hands up if you're excited to share your story dance?
- Hands up if you've ever come here to [\[venue name\]](#) and watched a live show?
- Well guess what, tonight - you guys are the stars of the show! So we've even given you guys a special souvenir program and poster to sign! [\[Show them poster\]](#)

The Waka Crew will all be watching you throughout the whole event and will select just ONE school to be awarded the very special 'Spirit of Wakakirri' award at the end of the show tonight.

We want to see you listening carefully, treating everyone respectfully, moving through the venue safely and silently and most importantly, and showing lots of love and 'Chookas' to the other schools here today.

At Wakakirri we make a 'W' with our hands and when we're in places that we can make noise, we say 'Chookas' because it means good luck and best wishes for an amazing performance.

So before I hand you over to [\[Marshal\]](#), let's try one together.

1, 2, 3 - CHOOKAS!

Have the best time today guys, I'll see you again soon.

Now wait quietly please for your next instructions.

- *Tell teachers where the tea and coffee area is (or where the cafe is)*
- *Tell teachers where the quiet space is located*
- *Encourage them to watch other schools rehearse*
- *Answer any questions or concerns they have*

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Marshal - Script - Dressing Room Talk & Challenge Instructions

[Have teacher bag, challenge list and QR code handy]

Okay everyone, welcome to your dressing room!

My name is **XXX** & I am your Marshal.

I will be here at **[pick-up time]** to take you to your rehearsal and also to the stage later tonight when it's time for you to perform. You can watch other schools rehearsing in the meantime, just remember to be very respectful and very very quiet..

Your closest bathrooms are **XXX**.

At 4:45pm [4:30pm for Perth & Wollongong], you can all head into the auditorium for the Pre-show Pump-up - where we'll play some games and get warmed up and ready for tonight's big show! We'll be learning the 2025 Waka Groove as well, and if you want to get a head start, you can scan this QR Code to learn it beforehand. **[Show them QR Code]**

Also using this QR Code, teachers - is an upload link - because this year we want YOU, the students, to feature in, and maybe even HOST our Season Wrap-Up TV Special!!!

[Show them activity guide & mic prop]

You can work your way through these awesome challenges and create some amazing things today, and whatever you submit to us will act as an 'audition' for one of our student Host roles! So if you think you have what it takes... We want to see!

You can even use the Media Wall for filming, that's you will all get your professional portrait photos taken before the show tonight. So better get your best poses ready, too!

Who are the three student speakers?

You three must stay in your fabulous costumes after you've performed and right until the very end of the presentation ceremony, don't forget!

I'll be keeping my eyes and ears wide open today on the lookout for the school that will win our Spirit of Wakakirri Award tonight... So that means being respectful, quiet-as-mice and following all instructions perfectly as well showing everyone else here lots of love and chookas!

Before I go, can I get a chookas?

1, 2, 3 - CHOOKAS

See you soon everyone! Bye for now.