Dear Parent/Guardian,

Taikoz is an Australian performance group that specialises in the art of taiko – the Japanese drums. The workshop will introduce students to the instruments and music; give historical and cultural background, including the place of taiko in a contemporary, Australian context. The performance is drawn from Taikoz’s large repertoire, which includes traditional Japanese music and drumming styles, compositions written by contemporary Japanese composers, as well as original works, by members of the ensemble.

Taiko is an extremely visceral form of music making that can be appreciated on another level through the physical experience of playing. Taikoz’s concert performances include hands-on participation by members of the audience. Not only does the experience of playing upon the big drum give some participating students a chance to ‘feel’ the taiko, its rhythm and accompanying movements, but it also opens up possibilities for new forms of musical expression. All students have the opportunity to join in through the chanting of ‘kakegoe’ – or voice cues – as well as asking and responding to questions.

This performance is part of our school’s music learning program and builds on preparatory work done in the classroom utilizing Musica Viva in Schools resources. The resources are linked directly to the Western Australian Music curriculum, as well as English and Mathematics curriculum areas.

We would be delighted if you could come to the performance. There is no charge for parents and community members to attend.

Details as follows:

Date	Tuesday, 20th March 2018
Location	Undercover area
Time	1.30pm - 2.30pm
Cost	$9.00 per student

If you do not want your child to attend please email the school at woodlands.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Payment should be made by Monday 19th March 2018. Payment of $9.00 per student can be made by:

☐ Direct Debit ☐ EFTPOS ☐ Cash/Cheque to Teacher	Date Paid ___________

School Bank Account Details	BSB: 016 334  Account: 340869212  Reference: Students name