## **Bush Dance and Display**

With the Bush Capital Band and Bush Dancers Display Group

Looking for something energetic and entertaining for your students? Why not top off their day with a bush dance in the Birrigai Hall?

The Bush Capital Band and Display Group are available for evening sessions at Birrigai. You'll get a display by members of the group (subject to dancer availability) who will come in period costume and show your students what it was like in the mid-1800's to early 1900's and how bush dancing formed a vital part of a community's life. Then the members of the Band will teach your students a range of dances, set to the fantastic music of the Bush Capital Band.



This activity complements the Birrigai heritage programs e.g. Life on the Diggings and Early Settlers; but equally, will provide your students with a fun night doing something out of the ordinary.

Students may, if recommended by their teacher as having sufficient skill and suitable instruments, bring them and play along with the band. (Not generally recommended for players of loud melody or Bb (B flat) instruments such as trumpet, saxophone etc.) To allow students who wish to prepare to participate with the band, a selection of single stave sheet music may be developed and sent to teachers on request.

Bush Dancers Display Group website: (http://dance.pcug.org.au/tbddg.htm).

PROGRAM LENGTH: Night-time session: 90 minutes

PROGRAM COST: Night-time session – \$7 per child. (Minimum \$385)

Maximum preferred group size: 80 If you are a smaller group you may discuss with

Birrigai whether there is another school visiting that would like to combine with you

## **BOOKINGS & FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Birrigai: 6205 6748 or 6237 5135 Or birrigai@tidbinbilla.com.au

## **TESTAMONIALS:**

Our class 4 children really enjoyed the bushdance at Birrigai. The music was great and seeing the display dancers dance, made it easy to learn each new dance. It was a special introduction to bush dancing and tied in really well with the First Settlers theme. I recommend it to any teachers looking for a worthwhile evening activity at Birrigai that teaches, entertains and uses up that excess night energy.

Terence Corbett ( Orana Steiner School) Sept 2012

