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Music News – Issue 17

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A big congratulations to all participants in the Performer's night last night. A live recording of the concert was taken last night and it will be burnt onto CD as a gift to your child for their dedication to the music program and a keepsake for their year's achievements. A reminder that this data is not allowed to be shared on social media and is for personal use only due to copyright laws.

All notes for prospective instrumentalists have been sent home and are due back no later than Friday, 21st October, 2016. Testing for these students will happen in Week 4 as follows.

Testing for Woodwind and Brass (Sarah Hill & Kelly Hosking)

WK 4 Tuesday, 25th October 9.00am – 2.55pm
 Thursday, 27th October 9.00am – 11.00am

Testing for Strings (Caroline Lloyd-Doolan)

WK 4 Thursday, 27th October 11.40am – 2.55pm

Testing for Percussion (Ian Brunskill)

WK 4 Friday, 28th October 11.40am – 1.10pm

You will be notified if your child has been successful by week 6/7 prior to our instrumental information night. You must attend this information session on Wednesday, 16th November at 6pm in TCBC to find out further information to help you make your decision and accept your offer. This is so you are well informed of the process, we can check numbers and offer positions to children who may be on a waiting list before the end of the year. All continuing students need to return their notes and notify us if you are continuing so we can cater for numbers for 2017.

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DATE	WHAT'S ON – TERM 4
Week 4 Tuesday 25 th October	Wind/Percussion/Brass Recruiting 2017 NO BRASS/WOODWIND LESSONS or BAND REHEARSALS
Week 4 Thursday 27 th October	String Recruiting 2017 – NO LESSONS (Lessons on Wednesday instead)
Week 6 – Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Day – Senior Choir 10.30am TCBC
Week 7 - Wednesday, 16 th November	Recruitment Information Night – 6PM TCBC
Week 8 - Thursday, 24 th November	Willows Shoppingtown Performance 5.30pm
Week 9 – Wednesday 30 th November	Christmas Carols All year levels, Instrumental and Choir
Week 10 – Wednesday, 7 th December	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony - Senior Choir TCBC

Strings~ Caroline Lloyd-Doolan - clloy28@eq.edu.au Wednesday 7.30 - 3 Thursday 11 - 3pm

The AUSTA strings festival was a great success. Many participants have spoke highly of this event and have shared in a great learning experience with other musical students and teachers from Townsville.

Congratulations to all who attended. There is a change in timetable due to recruitment testing in week 4.

Please check with Mrs Lloyd next Wednesday morning. Look forward to seeing all the children performing at our concert. ☺

I am looking forward to all my wonderful orchestras and ensembles performing this Wednesday night.

A reminder that in week 4 I will be testing students as well as teaching. As per the timetable Thursday lessons are on Wednesday. There will be no beginner orchestra on Thursday but there will be Senior and Junior orchestra on Wednesday at the usual times and we will be starting to work on our Christmas program. Please let me know if this clashes with any particular religious obligations and I will endeavour to let you know when we will be rehearsing them.

The Christmas concert will be our last event for the year for strings. Only the Senior and Junior Orchestra will be involved with this event. A reminder to keep working hard and coming to your lessons on time so we can finish on a productive high!

String Orchestra & String Ensemble & Beginner Strings - Caroline Lloyd-Doolan

As above

Brass~ Kelly Hosking - kclar205@eq.edu.au Monday 11 - 3

Nothing to Report

Percussion~ Ian Brunskill - ibrun2@eq.edu.au Friday 11 - 1.10

Nothing to Report

Woodwind~ Sarah Hill - shill256@eq.edu.au Tuesday 7.30 - 3 and Thursday morning 9 - 11

A reminder that there are no lessons in week 4 due to instrument testing for 2017. In week 5, students will be given assessment songs to perform for their week 6 lesson. A reminder that continuing forms are due back J

Junior Concert Band & Senior Concert Band~Sarah Hill

Beginner Band: There are some students that have missed rehearsals. Please let the Band Director know when you are not able to make it. We have been achieving amazing things in this band, keep up the great work!!

Senior Concert Band: The end of year is getting close!! Please ensure you are still practicing all band music.

WOW AWARDS - Recognition of Practice and Great Work

~~ Are you on the list this week? ~~

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WOW Awards – Nicholas D, Hunter B

100 minutes of practise – Kieren A

Junior & Senior Choirs – Fiona Coleman

All children have received a certificate this week for their performances from the eisteddfod. Any comments are recorded on the back of the certificate.

Music Shirts, Folders/Music, School Instruments

We would love for some parents to help wash the shirts for the last time this year after our performer's concert. If you are able to help, please let me know.

All instruments will be collected on Friday, 2nd December for repairs and cleaning and to get ready for 2017 instrumentalists. If you are a beginner and continuing into 2017, you need to purchase your own instrument. If you need further information on this, please contact your child's instrumental teacher or myself.

If your child has outgrown their instrument or looking at upgrading, you are more than welcome to advertise the instrument through this school newsletter. We always have parents looking for good quality 2nd hand instruments. Please contact me with any information you would like published for the next newsletter.

Musically Yours,

Fiona Coleman & Trevor Schimke

“Life is one grand sweet song to start the music.” ~Ronald Reagan

“Do not neglect your music, it will be a companion which will sweeten many hours of life to you.” ~ Thomas Jefferson