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Half way through our busy term - Where's it gone? 6 weeks countdown until GALA NIGHT!!

Thank you for the quick return of permission notes for fanfare. Notes were sent home last week. Please read the note, sign the forms for attending and return ASAP. Please check times you need to be at JCU Sir George Kneipp Theatre so you are warmed up ready to perform.

Congratulations to everyone who is turning up for rehearsals and learning their parts in preparation for these upcoming performances. Your efforts are appreciated and will be rewarded when you represent our school for family, friends and community at Fanfare on Sunday, 20th May, Presbyterian Church Fete on Saturday 23rd June and Gala night on Tuesday 26th June.

Date Claimer

It is an expectation and a requirement that every member of our music program in all instrumental ensembles and choirs are available for these performances and attending all rehearsals over the next couple of weeks so we can showcase at our best. We are looking forward to seeing them perform!!

WHAT'S ON - TERM 2	
Week 5 14 th – 17 th	NAPLAN changes to lessons
May	to accommodate years 3 &
	children
Week 5/6 Sunday,	FANFARE – Junior and
20 th May	Senior Orchestra, Senior
	Concert Band
Week 6 Thursday,	Beginner Band first
24 th May	rehearsal 7.40am for 7.50am
	start
Week 8/9 Sunday,	AUSTA Junior Strings
17 th June TBC	Festival – More information
	for all strings available
	soon
Week 9 Tuesday,	Senior Athletics Carnival –
19 th June	Woodwind children check
	with teacher for times
Week 9	Junior Athletics Carnival –
Wednesday, 20th	String children check with
June	teacher for times
Week 9/10 22 nd –	SHEP – Nominated
24 th June	children accepted
Week 9 23rd June	Presbyterian Church Fete –
	Junior and Senior Choir,
	Rockband
Week 10 Tuesday,	GALA PERFORMANCE –
26 th June	TCBC – All Groups 6pm
Week 11 Tuesday	Choral Workshop –
26 th - Friday 29 th	Selected years 5 & 6 Choral
June	Students

An information note of these special events was sent home last week. All groups are performing and will be required to wear full school music uniform as stated in previous letters and the beginning of the year.

A reminder that instrumental assessment will be happening this term during lessons. Please ensure you are aware of the expectations and what is required from you for success. Practicing and preparing for your assessment will assist in great results. Good Luck!!



FANFARE 2018

Celebrating Instrumental music in Queensland State Schools

All forms are being sent home this week with all the information you need. At this point all junior and senior orchestra and senior concert band are performing on Sunday, 20th May.

The <u>Junior Orchestra need to be at JCU</u> <u>at 9am</u> ready to play at 10.05am.

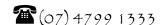
The <u>Concert band need to be at JCU at</u> <u>1pm</u> ready to play at 1.57pm.

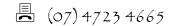
The <u>Senior Orchestra need to be at JCU</u> <u>at 3pm</u> ready to play at 3.58pm.

These are approximate times. Parents, students, family and friends are welcome to attend. Snack food and drinks will be available for purchase - CASH only and gold coin donation for entry.

CHORAL WORKSHOP

Every year the state primary schools put together a culminating workshop with selected year 5 & 6 students from around Townsville. Children in the current choir in years 5 & 6 will be invited to this exciting event. The workshop is being conducted during the last week of term 2 from Tuesday 26th - 29th June. Mr Brett Holland- choral conductor from Brisbane will be joining us during this time. Notes will be distributed in a few weeks.





AUSTA JUNIOR STRINGS FESTIVAL

All students will receive an invitation to go into the Junior String Fest. This is a FANTASTIC performance opportunity for students to play of their favourite songs in front of a family friendly audience. It is not a competition and students are placed in year levels.

They will also receive a small workshop from the teachers to enhance some aspects of their technique and receive a report on how they are progressing and best of all a music trophy to take home as a thank you for all their hard work in learning their instrument!

All students are encouraged to do this as the more performance opportunities they have the more confident they become. Students can use backing tracks to play along to as well. Pieces are own choice. Further information with exact times what to wear what to bring will be handed out soon.

Beginner Strings-

Caroline Lloyd-Doolan

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Wednesday 9am - 11am

Hello!

As you can see I am still temporarily teaching some classes until a replacement teacher can be found. In the meantime beginner strings will still receive tuition from me on a Wednesday morning subject to some slight changes when I have to travel.



Students will be having their first "Under the Spotlight" progress performance in week 5 playing "Merrily We Roll Along" and a "D major scale" which they learnt this week! Very exciting.

Please encourage your child to pick up their instrument and play everyday even if it is just for 10 minutes at a time. It all adds up and it makes for a more confident, happy string player in both lessons and at home!

Continuing Strings

Carla Mulligan

Wednesday 7.30am - 3pm

There will be no strings lessons in week 5 and 6. Lessons will resume as normal in week 7 with Miss Mulligan.

Early morning String Orchestra rehearsals 7:45-8:30 will continue with Ms Lloyd Doolan. Junior String Orchestra will rehearse at 1st break these weeks only.

GOOD LUCK AT FANFARE WILLOWS
STRING ORCHESTRA!

Orchestras

Carla Mulligan

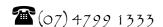
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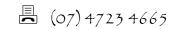
Brass- Kelly Clarke-Flesser

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Monday 11am - 3pm Friday 8.50am - 10am

Hi Brassies, Please keep checking the timetable every week to make sure you are





coming to your correct lesson on the correct day. Remember that the 2 Friday lessons are now scheduled in the morning at 8: 50am and 9: 20 am (not the afternoon).

Keep working hard on your fanfare pieces as the competition is only a few weeks away! As well as this, you will most likely perform some of these pieces at the Gala concert later in the term.

The entries for the Townsville Eisteddfod are now open. If any brassies are keen to play in a brass ensemble they need to let me know at their next lesson ③. Rehearsals for this ensemble would be Friday before school (closer to the Eisteddfod competition of course!!!)

Percussion

Ian Brunskill

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Friday 11am - 1.10pm

No notes this week

Woodwind

Ruby Johnson

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Tuesday 7.30am - 3pm

Thursday 9am - 11am

During lessons students are engaging with 'Go For Green'. This is a traffic light system that tracks students attendance and practice. Ensure to keep up the regular practice and aim for green in your next lesson! Please be aware of NAPLAN in week 5. There will be changes to the

timetable to accommodate all children receiving a lesson.

Concert Bands

Ruby Johnson

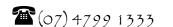
Beginner Band - We start rehearsals in week 6!! I'm very excited to hear all our beginners playing together! Please don't be worried about this, we are all beginners and we will learn how to play together. Please remember to be at the music block at 7.40am sharp on Thursday, 24th May, with your instrument, band folder, tutor book and pencil. See you all then!

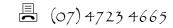
Senior Concert Band - It was great to see a wonderful turnout last Tuesday morning. You are sounding great!! Fanfare is very soon and we need to make sure we are attending each rehearsal and practicing our parts regularly. Keep up the wonderful work! It would be great to see all percussionists arrive on time as it makes it easier to organise instruments - ready to start on time. Just a reminder that band starts at 7:40am and students need to be there at 7:30am to set up and be seated and ready to play.

Junior & Senior Choirs

Fiona Coleman

Both choirs have been asked to perform at The Willows Presbyterian Winter Fair on Saturday, 23rd June sometime between 9 - 11am. Please claim the date as it would be great to have as many of our choral members there to sing. They are working really hard and are looking forward to presenting to family and friends at our GALA night in week 11 too. There are some children who I haven't seen for a while, yet





I have their commitment note. Please check to see if your child has been attending rehearsals ready for these special events.

Our choral workshop is fast approaching. Our guest conductor is Brett Holland from Brisbane. He will work with 100 year 5 & 6 students from around Townsville primary state schools. The workshop is being held at our school during week 11, Tuesday 26th - Friday 29th June. Selected year 6 students will receive an invite this week. Please return notes as soon as possible to accept your offer. If more places become available, we will offer some places to the next lot of year 6 students. Positions will be allocated as a first in basis. A culminating performance of the week's work will be on Friday 26th June from 4pm in TCBC. You are all invited to attend to see what magic this group will produce in a matter of 4 short days. Brett will also be performing on the Friday. ©

Music Shirts, Folders/Music, School Instruments/Fees

I've decided to have shirts available without allocating a size this year as a trial. Children will just come in and grab a shirt of their size and write the size and letter up on the wall against their name to monitor who has the shirts. I hope this makes it an easier process.

Musically Yours,
Fiona Coleman & Trevor Schimke

GO FOR GREEN - Recognition of Practice and Great Work

~ ~ GREAT START EVERYONE!! ~ ~ Are you working towards getting rewarded for your efforts?

RED DOT: I attended my lesson but I am UNORGANISED (didn't bring either my instrument, book or folder)

YELLOW DOT: I attended my lesson but <u>DIDN'T</u> practise this week.

GREEN DOT: I attended my lesson, practised AND brought my equipment.



Music learning has been proven to not only assist in developing children's confidence, self-esteem and team skills, but also in improving literacy and numeracy." ~ Unknown