



# *The Pitch*

**Music News - Issue 9**

**Fiona Coleman - [fcole7@eq.edu.au](mailto:fcole7@eq.edu.au)**

**Wk 10 - 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2019**

**Trevor Schimke - [tschi15@eq.edu.au](mailto:tschi15@eq.edu.au)**

What a huge end to term 2 music!! Our Gala night was a huge success. Thank you to all the children who came and to you the parents who organized your families to be there and enjoy the great performances. We had a lot of positive feedback and we are very proud of how all our groups are progressing. They were very nervous and for some experiencing their first/second time on stage was overcome with a big smile and feeling of success.

A huge thank you to the parents who stayed for the whole concert at our Gala night and assisted in packing up, transporting children to all the events in the last fortnight that have been taking place and your support. The audience etiquette was one to be applauded also.

**Timetables for Term 3** are on display outside the music room and have been emailed to class teachers and given to your child. Children should be organized and prepared with their instrument and books and know when lessons are. It is the child's responsibility to remind their class teacher for when they will be out of class.

Rehearsals and lessons will continue as normal day one of term 3. Have a great holiday break with the family. Look forward to seeing you all next term.

## **GO FOR GREEN AWARDS**

Congratulations to the following children who all received an award for their dedication to practice, rehearsals and always being organized for lessons. Keep up the fantastic efforts!!

### **PERCUSSION**

Isadora R & Jacob M

### **BRASS**

Jenna C, Harrison F, Kiera F, Jada N,  
Peah M, Lilly B, Cameron F

### **WOODWIND**

Madison G, Layla-Renee C, Krystal A,  
Caedence W, Chloe H, Azahna T,  
Sophia G, Amber R, Ella D,  
Elleanor C, Heidi-Grace S, Tyler T,  
Darcy H, Keeleigh L, Isabella S,  
Emma R, Zoe N, Isabella C, Bella Q,  
Indiana W, Christian N, Jake C,  
Kaelyn M

### **STRINGS**

Holly G, Anthony-Liam P, Hayley B,  
Sophie P, Brynee H, Brock C,  
Abbey G, Amaya B, Holly B, Chloe C,  
Celena T, Charlotte H, Erika M,  
Hannah R, Elexia S, Sarah B,  
Samudra T, Elmedina E, Kailah W,  
Dylan S, Imogen F, Adrianne H, Lola  
M, Deegan W, Koby A, Faith C,  
Daisy S.



## CHORAL WORKSHOP

We look forward to our 16 year 5&6 students participating in our annual choral workshop with Brisbane Guest Conductor Debra Shearer in Week 10. You are all invited to the performance at 4pm in TCBC on Friday.

### Date Claimer

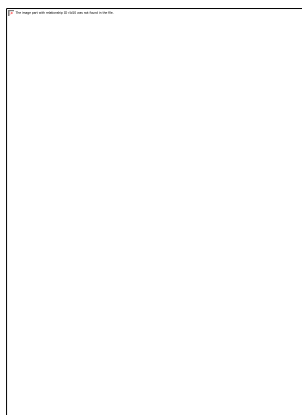
WHAT'S ON - TERM 3	
Week 1 & 2	NO BRASS LESSONS – Kelly is on LSL
Week 9/10 10 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Townsville Eisteddfod – All Groups

Strings- Carla Mulligan -  
[cjmul1@eq.edu.au](mailto:cjmul1@eq.edu.au)

Wednesday 7.30 - 3  
Thursday 11 - 3pm

### AUSTA STRINGS FESTIVAL

Well done to Leidyn Garbutt for participating in the AUSTA Double Bass program. Leidyn was lucky enough to have a lesson with professional Double Bassist Marian Heckenberg from Brisbane. During this session he learnt many Double Bass techniques and different sounds he can make with his instrument. He said "It was awesome!"



Well done for an amazing effort this term. Most of you have tried your very best and improved wonderfully in your skills as a stringed musician. There will be normal strings lessons in Week 10. Lesson will commence in Week 1 next term with a new timetable.

Congratulations to those students who received Go 4 Green Certificates during the Gala Performance. These certificated represent a lot of effort and dedication to improving your skills. You should be very proud of yourself for putting in 100% this term!

String Orchestra & Junior Orchestra -  
Carla Mulligan

**SENIOR ORCHESTRA:** Well done to you all for a wonderful term! Continually showing up to rehearsals and trying your best. You have definitely grown as an ensemble. **There will be String Orchestra before school in Week 10, and will commence again in Week 1 Term 1.**

**JUNIOR ORCHESTRA:** Good job on getting into the routine of weekly lunchtime rehearsals. You have all improved!

**There will be NO rehearsal in Week 1 (only lessons). Junior String Orchestra rehearsals will commence in the Week 1 of Term 3.**



**Brass- Kelly Clarke-Flesser -**

**[kclar205@eq.edu.au](mailto:kclar205@eq.edu.au)**

**Monday 11 - 3**

Hey Brassies,

Well done at the music gala night last week! I heard some terrific performances from my students and it highlighted your commitment towards your fellow band members and your effort towards performing your pieces accurately and with feeling. A special mention is to be given to my students who received a Term 2 Go for Green Certificate. These students worked especially hard every week and were able to demonstrate consistent improvement in their playing technique and performing their pieces set out for home practice. Let's keep this focus for Term 3!

Next term will see both the Senior and Beginner Concert bands start preparing music for the Townsville Eisteddfod in September. This is a major performance event in the school calendar and all students are expected to practice and learn their parts at home and be prepared before every rehearsal. Students who **are not** putting in any effort at home will have to justify to Miss Johnson, Mrs Coleman and myself why they should be able to attend this competition and represent the school in the wider community. So just remember that it takes a whole band to play well on stage, it is up to every member to do their bit to ensure a polished performance.

Some senior brass students will be invited to participate in the school's Brass Ensemble for the remainder of the year. Ms Clarke will personally invite these

students to commence weekly rehearsals next term. This group will also be competing at the Eisteddfod and therefore 100% commitment is required to ensure a confident performance. For the last few years, The Willows brass program has been the only primary school to have entered brass ensemble into the smaller group sections. I am very proud of the achievement and it is a tradition that I want to continue! J

**Percussion- Ian Brunskill -**

**[ibrun2@eq.edu.au](mailto:ibrun2@eq.edu.au)**

**Friday 11 - 3pm**

NA

**Woodwind - Ruby Johnson**

**[rjohn479@eq.edu.au](mailto:rjohn479@eq.edu.au)**

**Tuesday 7.30 - 3**

**Friday 9 - 11**

Hi woodwind players! We have had such a great term and finished it off with a great gala concert. Your practice has been amazing this term and our go for green chart is the most green it has ever been! I will see you all after the holidays ready to make some more great music in week 1.

**Concert Band**

**Tuesday 8.00am Senior**

**Tuesday 1.10pm Junior**

**Ruby Johnson**

Congratulations to everyone who played in the gala concert! This was a great performance and I love seeing the students so excited to perform! **Just a reminder** that both beginner and senior concert band will be on the first Tuesday back in term 3, 7:50am for the senior



concert band and second break (1.10pm)  
for the beginner concert band.

### Junior & Senior Choirs

Fiona Coleman

Well done to all who turned up and performed for your family on Wednesday night. You sang beautifully and I look forward to preparing new songs with you after the holidays for eisteddfod. Everyone needs to ensure they are attending all rehearsals including extras which may be before school next term. We have entered many sections for the eisteddfod and look forward to preparing them to showcase at our best.

### Music Shirts, Folders/Music, School Instruments

Please ensure your child collects their instruments to take home over the holidays. We do not want them stored at school. Keep up the practise when you can!!

Musically Yours,

Fiona Coleman & Trevor Schimke

*"Much of what young children do as play  
~ singing, drawing, dancing ~ are natural  
forms of art. These activities engage all  
the senses and help wire the brain for  
successful learning ~ David A. Sousa*

**Will you receive an award next term?  
Don't forget to practice over the  
holiday's and record your minutes.  
How many minutes will you do?**

### GO FOR GREEN - Recognition of Practice and Great Work

~ ~ **STARTS THIS WEEK!!** ~ ~

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  
**DIDN'T** practise this week.

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