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Music News - Issue 10

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Thanks again to everyone following the COVID-19 guidelines.

Our Senior Concert Band are getting excited as they prepare their pieces for the Victorian School Music Festival.

<http://www.vsmf.com.au/>

This is an online competition where we are able to record and submit the entry online and be adjudicated for a platinum, gold, silver, bronze or participation award. This is a great opportunity for our instrumental students and they have been working extremely hard in their rehearsals to showcase at their best. We look forward to hearing the amazing music performed.

Notes were sent home this week with further information and media release. It's awesome to see these notes returned promptly supporting the participation in this Festival. Please return your note ASAP if you haven't yet. Unfortunately your child will not be allowed to participate if there is no permission.

Children are required to wear **full school music uniform** with white ankle (crew) socks and black shoes. Music Shirts will be available in the music room on Tuesday 15th, September - AM.

We have 2 more rehearsals to prepare. Lots of practise and dedication to rehearsals are expected over the next few weeks. Please ensure you are individually practicing your part so it works together as an ensemble. Your efforts will be rewarded!! Good luck! ☺

All the best to our instrumentalists auditioning and KSHS next week. We hope it all goes well. Good Luck!!

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WHAT'S ON - TERM 3	
Week 9 Tuesday 8th September	Music Photos – Junior Choir, Percussion, Brass. TBC
Week 10 Tuesday, 15th September	Senior Concert Band – Recording for Victorian Music Festival. TCBC 7.45am – 11am.

Strings- Carla Mulligan -

cjmul1@eq.edu.au

Monday 11.40am - 3pm

Thursday 8am - 3pm

Hello Strings! Week 9 you have your solo performance assessment!! Looking forward to hearing you all play!

PRO TIP: Try putting on a concert at home to prepare your performance with style!

String Orchestra Orchestra -

Carla Mulligan

Orchestra rehearsals will continue Week 8-10. In Week 9 we will be video recording the ensemble to play as a 'virtual concert' in The Willows weekly school parade. We will be performing Frere Jacques and Bushwaker Stomp!!!



Brass- Kelly Clarke-Flesser -

kclar205@eq.edu.au

Monday 11 - 3,

Don't forget that your performance assessment is due in week 9 during your scheduled lesson time. Remember the only way you will be prepared for your test to prepare and practice your instrument regularly. Attending a weekly lesson with Ms Clarke WILL NOT be enough to make you feel confident or perform consistently throughout your pieces.

Band Karate

How are you progressing?

What colour belt have you received?



Percussion- Ian Brunskill -

ibrun2@eq.edu.au

Friday 11 - 3pm

Keep up the great practise on your pieces and have them ready to perform. No Lessons last Friday due to Student Free Day. Lessons as normal until the end of term.

Woodwind - Ruby Johnson

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Tuesday 7.30 - 3

Friday 9 - 11

Everyone has successfully completed their assessment for term 3! For the remainder of the term we will continue to work from our method books. Keep up the practise of your band pieces too!!

SENIOR Concert Band

Tuesday 8.00am

Ruby Johnson

The Senior Concert Band and working towards the Victorian Schools Music Festival. I'm very impressed on their progress in such a short time frame. Thanks for supporting your child in their practise and getting them to rehearsals on time. Children will be out of class for the morning of Tuesday, 15th September from 7.45 - 11am to rehearse, change and record. Look forward to hearing and preparing the final result to send in.

BEGINNER Concert Band

Tuesday 1.10pm

Ruby Johnson

Everyone is playing so well and making great progress each week in the rehearsal!! Keep up the practice and remember smaller more frequent practice sessions are a lot more valuable than one long session in the week. Look forward to hearing you play next week!! ☺



Junior & Senior Choirs

Fiona Coleman

Both the Junior and Senior Choirs will be performing at lunch times early next term. Please ensure children are attending all rehearsals as we prepare to entertain our school children.

Musically Yours,

Fiona Coleman & Trevor Schimke

The true beauty of music is that it connects people. It carries a message, and we, the musicians, are the messengers. ~ Roy Ayers

Music is the strongest form of Magic. ~ Marilyn Manson

GO FOR GREEN!!

Recognition of Practice and Great Work

Have you been rewarded for your efforts this term?

GREEN DOT: I attended my lesson, practiced AND brought all of my equipment. I am doing my very best to be a better musician.

YELLOW DOT: I attended my lesson but I DIDN'T practice enough this week. I need to practice to be a better musician.

RED DOT: I attended my lesson but I didn't bring my instrument and/or book and/or folder. I need to work on my organization.