



the music education centre

## WELCOME

We are thrilled to have so many new students joining us this month through our Music In Schools programme. There are a number of reasons that make our organisation really special and look forward to seeing you develop your musical potential over the years to come.

The Music Education Centre is the largest specialist music tuition provider. Unlike some other music schools that are either run through music shops or as independent franchisees, our organisation provides lessons at 40 primary and intermediate schools as well as our two purpose built centres.

With 90 specialist teachers offering lessons across 15 different instruments the centre provides an unrivalled level of flexibility in order to structure lessons to your specific requirements and needs. Regular performance opportunities and external examinations allow students to set measurable goals, whilst personalised tuition still allows students to learn the music they want to play.

Established since 1981 the Music Education Centre has given literally thousands of budding musicians a great start towards developing their potential and providing them not only a great leisure activity, but numerous educational benefits.

Through our association with leading international musical schools such as the Forte School of Music we are able to offer unique courses that are recognised by music education across the globe as providing a fantastic foundation in instrumental playing, and ongoing training programmes ensure that teachers have access to the latest developments in teaching methods philosophy.

We are very proud of the work we do with students, having seen many move through to careers in music, both teaching and performing, in New Zealand and overseas. We look forward to seeing all our students enjoy making music for 2017!!!



## LESSON ACCOUNTS AND LATE FEES

Students are invoiced in advance for all lessons, and tuition invoices need to be paid in full upon receipt. If lesson fees are not paid before the lesson, teachers are expected to suspend lessons until payment has been received.

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017, we will be increasing our charge for late payment to \$15 each month the account is outstanding.

For your convenience, payments can be made by credit card, direct credit, cash cheque or eftpos, so please ensure your fees are paid on time to avoid any late payment penalties.

## STATEMENT DELIVERY

Many of you already receive your statement each month by email. Due to the positive feedback from students and parents, we will be moving ALL of our statement delivery to a digital format over the coming months. If you currently receive paper statements, please contact our office ([lessons@musiceducation.co.nz](mailto:lessons@musiceducation.co.nz)) or 0800 89 39 39 so we can check we have your correct email details.

## STUDENT PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITES

Each term the centre hosts "Performance Afternoons" giving students of all ages and levels a chance to perform and develop confidence.

Please mark these dates in your diary today!!!

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

### MISSED LESSON POLICY

Students learning at our centre or in-schools programmes are able to have a maximum of four lesson credits for missed lessons during term time each calendar year.

Continuity is an important ingredient in musical success so students are encouraged to make attending lessons a priority. If you are not able to make your lesson for any reason, please contact your TEACHER directly so that they can make the appropriate changes to your account. Students should have been sent teacher contact information with their lesson confirmation. If you need to get this again, please ring our centre on 0800893939 so we can pass this information on to you.

### **FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK**

Want to stay up to date with Music Education Centre events? Interested in links about music and musical opportunities on-line? Want to share successes with other members of our Music Education Centre community? Find us on Facebook – [www.facebook.com/musiceducation.co.nz](http://www.facebook.com/musiceducation.co.nz) and click "like" to stay informed!



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## FOUNDATION EXAMINATION ENTRIES CLOSE SOON!

Students sitting the bronze, silver or gold level Foundation of Music Education examinations will have their exam on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

Please ensure entries are returned to your teacher before the 6<sup>th</sup> March so that we can submit them to Australia for processing.

Remember that the Music Education Centre encourages all students to sit extremal examinations, and is able to offer a variety of syllabi to meet your specific requires.

Feel free to discuss your examination goals with your teacher, so you don't miss out on making the most of your musical education.

## WANT TO FIND OUT ABOUT OUR TEACHERS?

Biographical information about most of our teachers is available on our website: [www.musiceducation.co.nz/teachers](http://www.musiceducation.co.nz/teachers).

If you have any other questions about your teacher or, need to get in touch with them, please feel free to contact the centre on **0800 89 39 39**.