

December 2012 Edition



the music education centre



## MUSIC IN SCHOOLS LESSONS

A number of our students will be changing schools next year. The great news is that for many of you, your music lessons can still continue with the Music Education Centre's great teachers.

### IF YOU ARE GOING TO ANOTHER SCHOOL WHERE THE CENTRE RUNS A PROGRAMME

Simply return the new enrolment form to your school's office in term 1. These will be sent out from the school in the first week of term, and then we will take care of everything from there. (Some teachers may already be able to organise a lesson time for you if they also teach in your new school).

Check our website [www.musiceducation.co.nz](http://www.musiceducation.co.nz) and click tuition for a list of schools where we offer lessons.

### IF YOUR SCHOOL DOES NOT OFFER OUR MUSIC PROGRAMME

Lessons are available outside of school time and on weekends at our centres.

Tuition is offered in Glenfield, Henderson and Ponsonby, give us a ring in January on 0800 89 39 39 and we will find a time that suits you.

## PERFORMANCE AFTERNOON

**Our final performances for the year are taking place on:**

- Sunday 9th December
- Both at the Takapuna War Memorial Hall and Tirimoana School Hall.
- Admission is completely FREE!!!

Make sure you get your teacher to book you in to the appropriate performance list at either centre. These performances are a great way for students of any age/level/instrument or genre to develop the confidence and presentation skills in front of a supportive audience.

### FEES FOR 2013

As mentioned in our November Music Talk edition, lesson fees will be adjusted for inflation next year. We will be holding the increase to only \$1 per lesson for our group students and individual lessons 30 minutes or less. This will take effect from the start of January, except for those students learning in our early childhood 'Forte School of Music Classes' where the change will come in at the start of the next 10 week billing cycle in early-mid February.

## Welcome to our December Edition, THANK YOU FOR A GREAT 2012!!!

As we reflect upon the year we see we have had a wonderful year of music making. Fantastic performances and excellent examination results, together with excellent student progress, have made 2012 really special. We look forward to another special year ahead for 2013!

Most students will be receiving an end of year progress report enclosed with this newsletter. Remember that you can contact your teacher at any time to discuss your future goals, past successes and overall musical progress.

We look forward to seeing you all back in the New Year!

HAVE YOU  
SCANNED  
THIS YET?



We teach ages 3 years to adult!

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## EXAMINATION RESULTS

We are pleased to acknowledge these students:

The end of the year is always examination season. While there are still many student's waiting for results and others whose exams are scheduled in the weeks leading up to Christmas, we are please to acknowledge these students whose results have already come through. Well done!! (Students name in bold below).



### Rock School International Examination Board

<b>Rory Craig</b>	Grade 1 drums with merit	Thomas Stein
<b>Brooke Ellison</b>	Grade 1 drums with merit	Thomas Stein
<b>Tom Hall-Taylor</b>	Grade 1 drums with merit	Thomas Stein
<b>Martin Greshoff</b>	Grade 2 bass with merit	Ben Wilson
<b>Logan Blair</b>	Grade 2 drums with merit	Thomas Stein
<b>Luke Rice</b>	Grade 2 drums with merit	Thomas Stein
<b>Siosaia Tahifote</b>	Grade 3 guitar with merit	Regan Simons
<b>Kieran Domigan</b>	Grade 3 guitar with merit	Regan Simons
<b>Jack Spray</b>	Grade 3 drums with merit	Thomas Stein

### IMPORTANT DATES

**MEC's office will be closed from Saturday 15th December.**

(Some teachers have arranged an extra lesson with their students in the following week and these will be invoiced in the New Year).

**The Centre will reopen with limited hours for telephone enquiries from Monday 7th January**, with regular holiday hours recommencing from Monday 14th January.

**Most teachers will be returning to lessons at the centre from mid January** and will confirm the date of your first lesson with you, before the end of this year.

### Accordion Examination Board of New Zealand

<b>Serena Hendry</b>	Grade 3 accordion with merit	Lionel Reekie
<b>Peter Robinson</b>	Grade 3 accordion with merit	Megan Jennings
<b>Aghilan Newman</b>	Grade 5 accordion with merit	Megan Jennings

### Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music

<b>Chaznel Steenkamp</b>	Grade 1 piano	Janet Tracey
<b>Joy Park</b>	Grade 1 piano	Janet Tracey
<b>Francis Thorpe</b>	Grade 3 piano	Kate Ellis
<b>Kaoru Shimura</b>	Grade 3 piano	Kate Ellis
<b>Kate Lee</b>	Grade 6 violin with merit	Jonna Arthur

On behalf of all the teachers and staff of the Music Education Centre, we would like to wish you and your family the very best for the festive season. Have a happy and safe summer and we look forward to seeing you continue your musical success in 2013.

*Merry Christmas!!!*