



Happy New Year Everyone!
Welcome back to another fun filled year of music making!

Did you know that MEC has helped to bring the benefits of a musical education to students since 1981? What musical goals do you hope to achieve this year?

Teacher Training

This year we are pleased to welcome several new teachers to our organisation. After an intensive 5 day teacher training, they are all looking forward to helping students achieve their musical best. We are very proud of the high level of knowledge and skills that all of the teachers have to offer students. Our training helps ensure that they are continually up-skilled and introduced to the latest in teaching methods, materials and techniques.

You can be confident, that regardless of your musical interests, we have someone that can help with your specific needs.

Teacher Changes

Whilst lessons for the majority of our students will be continuing with the same teachers as last year, there are a few teachers, whose commitments have meant - they will not be able to maintain the same teaching schedule as last year. For those students, the centre will be arranging another of our expert specialists to step in and provide the best possible continuity of lessons. Students and parents can sometimes be disappointed when changes like this occur, we are confident that all of our teachers have something special to offer. Because of the high standard of all the teachers we select, audition and train, any effect on student progress will be minimised.

Remember, that at primary school, students usually have a new teacher each and every year, so children are used to adapting to different teaching personalities. Naturally the centre is always keen to avoid any inconvenience for students, should you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the centre manager, Lionel Reekie on 444 5654.

Overdue Lesson Accounts

Please ensure that your lesson account is paid in full upon receipt. Teachers rely on your payments directly for their income.

This year the centre will be implementing a late payment fee for student accounts that are not settled on time. Lesson fee payments can be made by cash, cheque, eftpos or credit card at our centre offices, whilst credit card payments can also be made over the telephone, together with the option of making direct credit into our Teachers Trust Account. Bank details are on the bottom of your monthly statement.

Lesson accounts are created based on the information submitted to the office from the teachers themselves, therefore any adjustments to your account should be always discussed first with your teacher. If there are still any queries on your account, you can contact our office, daily from 9.15am.

Lesson Fees for 2013

- Our standard tuition fees for most instruments are:
- 30 minutes: - \$28.50 per lesson •45 minutes: - \$42.75 per lesson.
 - 1 hour: - \$57.00 per lesson.
- (please note Cello lessons are billed at a different rate).
- Early childhood Forte group lessons: - \$235 per term of 10 weeks
 - Enrolment fee for new students: -\$65 (once only).
 - Late Payment fee:- \$5 per month whilst there is an overdue balance.

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today and
look up...



MEC ONLINE

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Our page keeps you up to date with everything that is going on!

Such as, performances, information, photos, promotions and even fun musical quizzes.

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Did you know?

You also have your own very special social page, for students to share successes, chat and even enter exciting competitions!

social.musiceducation.co.nz

Our website,

Is full of links to musical activities, resources, FAQs and information about our lessons and teachers!

www.musiceducation.co.nz





the music education centre

More great exam results came through at the end of the year.

Well done to all of these students for achieving in external examinations!



EXAMINATION RESULTS - MEC STUDENTS

Foundation Of Music Education

STUDENT	LEVEL	TEACHER
Iris Paton	Bronze	Joy Liu
Frank Paton	Bronze	Joy Liu
Priyanka Gai	Bronze	Amanda Morley
Jemima Tichborne	Bronze	Joy Liu
Alina Reekie	Silver	Amanda Morley
Shay Reid	Silver	Amanda Morley
Lachlan Green	Gold	Elena Reekie
Elliott Kitchener	Gold	Elena Reekie

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STUDENT	LEVEL	TEACHER
Jacqueline Pausch	Prep Test	John Mercer
Eleanor Thorpe	Grade 1 piano	Gabrielle Reid
Louis Simpson	Grade 1 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Fergus Harland	Grade 1 piano (with merit)	Nadia Vinogradova
Wayne Wu	Grade 1 piano (with merit)	John Mercer
Henry Pettigrew	Grade 1 theory (with merit)	Kate Ellis
Ben Taumoepeau	Grade 1 Theory (with merit)	John Mercer
Caitlin Meister	Grade 1 Theory (with distinction)	Gabrielle Reid
Catrina Lin	Grade 1 Theory (with distinction)	Gabrielle Reid
Johanna Clarke	Grade 1 theory (with distinction)	Kate Ellis
Caitlin Grobler	Grade 1 Theory (with distinction)	Gabrielle Reid
Katie Mabon	Grade 1 theory (with distinction)	Kate Ellis
Anne Marie Groves	Grade 2 piano	Raewyn Thomas
Kristyian Kolarski	Grade 2 piano (with merit)	John Mercer
Abby Jones	Grade 2 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Hannah Sillick	Grade 2 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
David Kung	Grade 2 theory (with merit)	Kate Ellis
Mitchell Carlyle	Grade 2 theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Francis Thorpe	Grade 2 theory (with merit)	Kate Ellis
Aaron Song	Grade 3 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Tyrell Snelling	Grade 3 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Emily Brendel	Grade 3 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Vanessa Hayse	Grade 5 piano	Alice Kang
Carol Gray	Grade 5 Theory	Gabrielle Reid
Erin Geraghty	Grade 5 piano	Don Brough
Luca Sturny	Grade 5 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Winston Yao	Grade 5 Theory (with merit)	Gabrielle Reid
Bryar Renshaw	Grade 5 Theory (with distinction)	Gabrielle Reid

Performance Afternoon

Every term, MEC's performance afternoons create an opportunity for students of any age/level and style, to gain valuable on-stage experience. Students that received 'Performer of the Day' awards at our Term 4 event in December were:

STUDENT	INSTRUMENT	TEACHER
Phoebe Telford	Voice	Francis Edgerton-Till
Ben Drury	Accordion	Campbell Bettridge
Newton Yuan	Piano	Lian Jones
Raphael Russell	Piano	Sandy Lin
Danny Love	Piano	Sandy Lin
Bernice Leung	Violin	Bridget Goh
Ruskin Swedlund	Flute	Jessica Bates
Annie Yu	Violin	Bridget Goh
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Mihir Raniga	Grade 1 piano	Elena Reekie
Riya Raniga	Grade 1 piano (with merit)	Elena Reekie
Zara Ranchhod	Grade 1 piano (with merit)	Elena Reekie
Crystal Stephens	Grade 1 piano (with merit)	Elena Reekie
Ruskin Swedlund	Grade 2 Flute	Jessica Bates
Hermione Bennett	Grade 3 Flute (with distinction)	Jessica Bates
Rachel McCluskey	Grade 3 piano (with 85%)	Tammie Fung
John Fabian	Grade 4 piano	Don Brough
Justice Zemke	White - Grade 5 Flute	Jessica Bates
Vanessa Hayse	Grade 5 piano	Alice Kang
Jocelyn Rooke	Grade 5 Flute (with merit)	Jessica Bates
Sophia Scott	Grade 5 Flute (with merit)	Jessica Bates



SEE YOU AT THE NEXT ONE!