Tuning Notes
Ashbury Public School Band Newsletter

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a quote by
Antonio Vivaldi....

Keep up to Date
Dear all, welcome to the first Tuning Notes for term 2! Was great to see so many willing volunteers at the recent AGM. Thanks to all those generous parents willing to share their time and expertise to ensure the ongoing existence of our great band program. A full list of position holders is included below. For minutes of the last band meeting, or to download any lost forms, please to our website www.ashbury-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/band

Office Bearers for the 2014 Band Committee
Congratulations, and thanks to the following people who have agreed to take on varying positions to enable the continuation of our band program. I believe we are very fortunate to have access to a parent body of such diversely talented, and competent people. Position holders are as follows:
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Chairperson: Jodie Goldney
Assistant Chair: Ariane Blanch
Secretary (shared role): Karin Austin, and Lynne Bilston
Treasurer: Maria Vidal
Assistant Treasurer: Mike Cullen
Band camp coordinators: Sally Layson and Kirsten McCombie
Resources Coordinator: Louisa de Ferranti
Instrument moving coordinator: Louisa de Ferranti
Band Parent Liaison and Registrar: Madalen Rozsa
Video/editing expert: Michael Eckert
Band Website coordinator 1: Maria Vidal
Band Website coordinator 2: Ariane Blanch
Training Band coordinator: Emily Q
Intermediate Band coordinator: Michelle Otaegui
Concert Band coordinator: Louisa De Ferranti
Jazz Band Coordinator: Ariane Blanch
Bunnings BBQ coordinator: Caroline Pye

If you have any queries regarding all things band, please direct those to the person responsible, as outlined prior.

Special Thanks to the band camp volunteers
The high point of the term 1 band program was arguably the band camp. Thanks to all of the parents who contributed to the success of this venture. I have to say, I think that thanks needs to be extended to every band family, as people were so generous, and efficient in helping load and unload
instruments, and get them back to school safely, in amongst some very unhelpful weather conditions. At a personal level, I found this pragmatic generosity—well it’s just great! So thanks to everyone for your involvement, and participation, and enthusiasm. Of course a very special thanks is once again due to Kate O’Sullivan for your excellent organisation of this event. And welcome to Sally Layson and Kirsten McCombie who have agreed to take on the challenge of facilitating this event for 2015. Thanks too, to our great teaching staff, including Grace Kaye, Angela McInerney and Roxanne Kapruziak. Thanks to all of the music teaching staff for helping to enthuse our kids, and facilitate the ongoing development of their musical skill-sets. Last, and definitely not least, thanks to Jason Isaacs for producing another set of skin-tingling performances. We are very fortunate to have access to your musical steel.

**Special thanks to Jo Cory**

I would also like to include a very special thanks to our highly competent, gracious, and unflusterable P +C treasurer, Jo Cory, who stepped in to make some band camp payments, whilst our own treasurer was overseas.

**Special thanks to Louisa De Ferranti**

Special thanks to Louisa for coordinating the recent Concert band workshop. The kids all had a great time! A particularly impressive feat as it meant returning to school one day early =D.
STATE MUSIC CAMP

State music camp applications are open for 2014. This musical experience targets students from year 5 upwards. The junior music camp (years 5-8) will be held from 13-15 July, 2014, at the Sydney Academy of Sport, Wakehurst Parkway, Narrabeen. (Office of Communities, Sport & Recreation). If your child is interested in attending, please refer to the Arts Unit website https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/music/music-camps/state-music-camps.

HOUSEKEEPING:

Please note that if your child is unable to attend their music (instrumental) lesson, then you need to contact their instrument teacher directly you do not need to advise the school. If your child is unable to attend a band or ensemble rehearsal, then you need to contact the school to advise them, and they will pass the message on to Mr Isaacs. This is especially important for children in bands immediately after school.

REMINDER RE. PARENTAL SUPERVISION

A special reminder that as part of the band program, and in keeping with duty of care requirements by the DEC for activities occurring on their lands, a parent, or responsible adult is required to be in attendance at all student’s instrumental lessons.

PUNCTUALITY

Please respect our volunteers who give up their time to supervise band rehearsal by being punctual in collecting
your child.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE BAND CALENDAR
Wanting help to stay organised around band dates? Why not subscribe to our calendar. Please go to http://www.google.com/calendar/ical/admin%40ashburyband.org/public/basic.ics for full details.

Funding Submissions Update:
The band committee have recently submitted a funding submission to both the Ashbury and Canterbury arms of the Clubs and Pubs 2014 funding round. The submissions were for the amount of $6802.00, and seeking funding for a portable speaker/microphone system to enhance the band program. If you would like to view a copy of these applications, please contact Jodie on jgoldn01@gmail.com.

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Please remember that all of these people are volunteers, so please be respectful of their time, and generosity in taking on these roles. As first point of call, please refer to our website for any information regarding forms, rehearsal times etc.

The next committee meeting

If you are free, would be great to see you at our upcoming committee meeting, Monday 12th May, 7:00 in the school staff room. Agenda items for that meeting include: privacy; back-up payment processes; instrument hire; Splash; Winter warmers dates; and Showcase.

Dates for your Diary....

- **Committee meeting**: Monday 12th May, 7:00 in the staff room
- **Jazz band workshop**: Monday 14 July, 9:00-3:00, APS, details TBA
- **Band Festival**: (all bands) Saturday 26th July-Sunday 27th July. Details TBA.
- **Showcase**: Tuesday 29th July: Details TBA
- **Jazz in the Garden**: Sunday 26th October, details TBA

Band Timetable

- Monday 7:15-9:00 Intermediate Band
- Monday 3:05-4:15 Jazz Band
- Tuesday 3:00-4:15 Percussion Ensemble
- Tuesday 4:20-6:00 Concert Band
- Thursday 4:50-6:00 Training Band