

Barnier Public School Band Program 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 1 Week 11 2018

What a great start to the year! Thank you to all the parents and caregivers that attended the *parent information session*. A handy *summary* of the session is attached.

Our **beginner students** are progressing well having learnt to: assemble and care for their instrument, read and play 3 -5 musical notes, and understand the different length of notes and rests. Please note there are a couple of Apps that are a fun way to learn to read notes. If you would like further details, please let me know.

Our **Concert Band** have been working through several new pieces: Bandroom Boogie, Monster Rock, Bunyip Blues, Hanging Tree, and Fistful of Trumpets. We'll aim to perform some of these in Term 2.

Beginner students are now invited to attend the Training Band lunchtime rehearsals from Term 2. Band rehearsal is a very important part of the music program for developing skills that make for an amazing sounding band. For each Band to be successful it's important that all members regular attend band rehearsals.

Band Rehearsals and Group Lessons

From **WEDNESDAY May 2 (Term 2 week 1)**, band rehearsals and group lessons will recommence.

- **Concert Band** (those students continuing from 2017 and 'Band Only' Students). Rehearsal will be in the AV Room / Library from **2.50pm – 3.30pm**. Students will need their instrument, band folder, a pencil, and *Accent On Achievement* book.
- **Training Band** (for beginner students that started learning an instrument this year). Rehearsal will be in the AV Room / Library **at lunchtime from 1.10pm and 1.40pm**. Please bring a display folder (with plastic sleeves, and your name and class clearly labelled), an instrument, a pencil, and *Accent On Achievement* book.

Easter Workshop

A note was recently emailed from the Teaching Services Office (TSA) office advising that TSA are holding several workshops over the coming holidays. I encourage all beginner, and 2nd year students to attend.

Attendance

IMPORTANT: Can you please send me a note (written or email is fine) whenever your child is unable to attend a band rehearsal or group lesson(s).

General

If you have any questions about your child's progress, instrument / maintenance / accessory / music questions / practice tips / timetabling / groups / band rehearsals, please send me an email daryl@teachingservices.com.au.

TSA Admin Staff: 9651 7333 or visit www.teachingservices.com.au (enrolment, instrument hire/service).

Kind regards

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