



Music News March 2016

I would like to extend a warm welcome to 2016 and another exciting year of music making here at Kalamunda Senior High School. There are several dates that parents should take note of regarding up-coming music performances and events. There will of course be reminders closer to the events. However for future planning it is good to take note of them early.

Musikal, our parent support group, meets regularly throughout the year and offers a fantastic opportunity for all music parents to get involved in many aspects of music at Kalamunda.

This year sees the introduction of the music performance uniform. All music students performing in any of the ensembles, bands or choirs will be required to wear a performance uniform and Alex Stevens will be organising several try out days throughout the term for students to be sized up and place an order. Alex can be contacted at janda@inet.net.au for further information about these days. The cost is subsidised by Musikal and is currently \$20 a shirt.

Important dates to take note of:

- 5th April Anzac day assembly (senior concert band) – must be in music performance uniform
- 27th May all day rehearsal for year 7 and 8 ensembles/junior concert band
- 14th June music concert in KPAC all groups to perform
- 4th/5th August music camp years 9-12 at Eagles nest
- 11-14th August band festival (both concert bands)
- 20-21st August classical guitar ensemble festival
- 8th August Kalamunda Day (various groups to perform confirmed closer to the date)
- 26th October Twilight Concert and all day rehearsal for all groups involved)

The AGM on 14 March was very well attended by current and new members - thank you to all the parents and staff who attended. The minutes of the meeting are at the following link:

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All the executive members agreed to stay on so the President is Marcus Roberts, the Vice President is Michelle Vivian, the Treasurer is Susanne Grahl and the Secretary is Alex Stevens.

If you're free between 1pm and 3pm on Friday afternoons, the Music Department could use the help of parents to catalogue stock, photocopy and do other clerical work. You will be generously serenaded by students during your hours of work and you'll be helping the kids - who could ask for more? If you are able to donate some time, please contact Marcus Roberts at

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We have received orders for performance uniform shirts from 60% of our music students and they have started to arrive at school. If you haven't ordered yours yet, please pick up a form from the Music Department. Before you know it, the choir and bands will be performing for ANZAC day celebrations and then a few weeks later there's the guitar/choir and band festivals, so everyone is going to need their shirt!

Our next meeting is at 6.30pm 9 May, 2016 and we will be planning our mid-year concert. Hope to see you there.

Please feel free to contact me at any time throughout the year and I look forward to sharing another wonderful year of music making at Kalamunda Senior High School.

Regards,

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