



Forte Flyer

Mailing Address:
 1/263 Rowe St
 Eastwood NSW 2122
Phone: 9858 2249
Fax: 9804 6433
E-mail:
 eastwood@fortemusic.com

**Lessons resume
 Term 2
 Monday 27th
 April**

**Tuition fees due:
 11th May**

**Please refer to your
 Calendar for ALL
 Term Dates**

From Margaret's Desk

I have been reading recently about just HOW good MUSIC is for our brain function -from Early Childhood right through to Old Age.

You can read extracts from scientific findings later in this Newsletter.

It is important to recognise that a child's worth can not be measured purely by how well they perform in academic subjects or tests of intelligence. Music plays a much more important role than we give it credit in shaping not just the ability of the brain to perform better overall, but in providing a creative outlet for expression, and an appreciation of culture. Not to mention the joy of

sharing music with others, whether listening or playing or singing. What would life be without Music?

Music is a life-long pursuit. Don't think that a term of lessons here and there is going to be enough to provide all the amazing benefits that Scientific studies demonstrate! This is NOT the time to think that Music is expendable.

In TERMS 2 & 3 we will be running another incentive program for our students with Music Bags and Homework books and iPod Shuffles up for grabs as prizes! Your teacher will give you the details. Get involved after the Autumn break.

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 26th April
Monday, 27th April
Monday 11th May)
)
 6/27 May
Monday 13th July
Monday 27th July
 Friday 31st July

Open Day, interested New Students
Lessons resume Term 2 2009
TUITION FEES DUE TO BE PAID
 Start of FINANCIAL Term 2 - 11 weeks
 AMEB Exams
School Hols commence
Lessons Resume School Term 3
 AMEB October Exam Entries Due

****SUNDAY NOVEMBER 15 SHOWCASE CONCERT to be held at Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club Auditorium****

School Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Hols	Hols	1	2
Mon	27 Apr	4 May	11 May	18May	25May	1 Jun	8 Jun	15 Jun	22 Jun	29 Jun	6 Jul	13Jul	20Jul	27Jul	3A
Tues	28 Apr	5 May	12 May	19May	26 May	2 Jun	9 Jun	16 Jun	23 Jun	30Jun	7 Jul	14Jul	21Jul	28Jul	4 A
Wed	29 Apr	6 May	13 May	20May	27 May	3 Jun	10 Jun	17 Jun	24 Jun	1 Jul	8 Jul	15Jul	22Jul	29Jul	5 A
Thurs	30Apr	7 May	14 May	21May	28May	4 Jun	11 Jun	18 Jun	25 Jun	2 Jul	9 Jul	16Jul	23Jul	30Jul	6 A
Fri	1 May	8 May	15 May	22May	29May	5 Jun	12 Jun	19 Jun	26 Jun	3 Jul	10 Jul	17Jul	24Jul	31Jul	7 A
Sat	2 May	9 May	16 May	23May	30 May	6 Jun	13 Jun	20 Jun	27 Jun	4 Jul	11 Jul	18Jul	25Jul	1 Aug	8 A
Sun	3 May	10May	17 May	24May	31 May	7 Jun	14 Jun	21 Jun	28 Jun	5 Jul	12 Jul	19Jul	26Jul	2 Aug	9 A
\$Week	T1k 10	T1 11	Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8	Wk 9	Hols	Hols	Wk 10	Wk 1

Be Sure you read ALL our Terms and Conditions – you can find them on our website.

- **HOW TO SAVE ON YOUR FEES!!!** Ask for a discount of \$1 per lesson IF YOU PAY YOUR FEES IN FULL BEFORE the DUE DATE. **Internet payments** - deduct \$1 per lesson IF paying BEFORE DUE DATE.
- **LATE FEES** A LATE FEE of \$11 per student will be applied if a First Reminder Invoice is required to be sent 4 weeks after Fees are Due. Thereafter, Admin fees will continue to accrue on a weekly basis of at least \$1 per week per student. **It pays to pay on time!**
- **PLEASE NOTE –** Paying in person is only available during advertised office hours.
Have you tried using the Internet for payments? Don't forget to include your Account Code

NEWS from the World of Science



From ScienceDaily (Sept 20, 2006) "Researchers have found... that not only do the brains of musically-trained children respond to music in a different way to those of the untrained, but also that the training improves their memory as well. After 1 year musically trained children performed better in a memory test correlated with general intelligence skills such as literacy, verbal memory, visiospatial processing, mathematics and IQ."

"...musicians have enhanced cortical auditory and somatosensory areas of the brain compared to non- musicians. Moreover, musicians who commenced musical training at an early age showed larger cortical areas compared to those who started later."

"It is clear that music is good for children's cognitive development and that music should be part of the pre-school and primary school curriculum."

"If musical training is found to have a beneficial effect on brain function beyond that involved in musical performances ... it has implications for the education of children, for life-long strategies to preserve the fitness of the aging brain ..."

Check out more about Science and Music at <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2006/09/060920093024.htm>

WIN!!



And more!

**3 IPOD SHUFFLES
IN TERM 2 & 3!**

Ask your teacher for your Music Award.
Complete activities as required to go into
draw for iPods, Music Bag packs, and more.
Drawn on 11th July.

Do we have your email address?

We will be moving to Paperless Invoices and your email address will be required or a fee may apply.