



# Forte Flyer

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**New Parramatta  
location is  
37 Grose St**

**Lessons resume  
Saturday  
28<sup>th</sup> January**

**Tuition fees due:  
13<sup>th</sup> February**

**Please refer to the  
Calendar in "Downloads"  
for ALL Term Dates**

## REMEMBER!

The Website is your best resource! Bookmark it and Use it!

<http://forteeastwood.com.au>

Welcome to another exciting musical year ahead for Forte in Eastwood and Parramatta.

Our Parramatta school will be now located at **37 Grose St**, just across the road from our previous location. There is parking in the rear but I do ask you to exercise total caution when driving into the driveway. Watch out for cars coming out and students perhaps walking on the driveway. You will be able to enter via the rear door or the front door. (44 Grose St was sold during the year and is now a private residence, so don't turn up there for your lessons!)

In 2011 we had our usual 2 sessions of **Examinations** at Eastwood with our usual cache of excellent results – of course - Both our teachers and our students excel! Remember though, that to achieve the best you can

requires a consistent approach to preparation and practice. Results reflect your efforts.

We introduced end of **Term Concerts** last year, with our fantastic new baby grand piano and double room as the venue. We also had our **Forte Showcase Festival**, this time at Epping Boys High School. From all the feedback we have had it was considered by parents to be a very successful series of concerts. Congratulations to all involved. It is so important to have opportunities for performance. We do it well at Forte!

**The world global situation continues to be a challenge for families and businesses.** I encourage you not to give up on Music. It is not an optional extra. Studies, which demonstrate just how important music is from cradle to the grave, should give us pause for thought about how much value we should place on Music Education!

**Why is learning Music so important? Research studies have found that:**

- Learning music improves a child's performance in school
- Learning an instrument improves academic performance, memory, time management, self-discipline and creative thinking
- Learning music can increase confidence and self-worth in both children and adults
- Engaging in music classes helps develop social skills like generosity, compassion and respect; as well as patience, sharing and taking turns

## Dates for your Diary

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> February**

*\*Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February*  
**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March**  
**Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

*\* Some important changes take effect with AMEB exams this year. Please check with your teacher or Margaret for details. We reserve the right to refuse entry if a student is*

**Lessons resume for Term 1**  
**Start of FINANCIAL Term 1**  
**NEW CLASSES COMMENCE**  
**Term Fees Due**

*AMEB Series 1 Exam Entries DUE*  
**IN SCHOOL CONCERT- Eastwood**  
**Last day of lessons for Term 1**  
**Lessons Resume School Term 2**

**Earn yourself a CREDIT  
by Telling a Friend**



**on YOUR TERM FEES  
about Forte lessons!**

Tell your Friend about us. Tell them to quote your ACCOUNT CODE when they enquire. When your Friend enrolls and pays for a full term's tuition, \$20 will be credited to your account.

*(Not available as cash / refund. Offer Only available to new students)*

- **YOUR INVOICE** Your invoice contains information on any Balances brought Forward from the previous term (near the top above the address panel), any sundries added for the term (Above the cut off slip at the bottom), the Billing period, Fees for the Billing period and Due Date. It also shows Payments or credits already made. PLEASE REMEMBER that our BILLING PERIOD is from the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of a school term up to the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of the next term after the holiday period.
- **TERM LESSON DATES** Our TERM dates run closely to Public School term dates as set by Dept of Education and Training, finishing usually on a Saturday before any School holiday period.  
  
If in doubt, you can go to the website where term dates are always shown, and where you can "Download" a School Year/Term Calendar. During holiday periods our Phone message also includes holiday and return dates.
- **NO INCREASE IN FEES** However, please note that Fees are Required to be paid at the commencement of the Financial term. Check your invoice for the Due Date *and avoid.....*
- **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!*

**OFFICE HOURS for PAYMENT OF FEES AND PERSONAL ENQUIRIES**

**MONDAY to FRIDAY 10.30 to 5.00 pm**  
**Except THURSDAY**  
**SATURDAY 9.30 am to 2 pm**

*Please assist by ONLY paying in person during these hours*

*You can send us an email at any time to [eastwood@fortemusic.com](mailto:eastwood@fortemusic.com)*

*You can pay your account via **Internet banking.***

*REMEMBER TO USE YOUR ACCOUNT CODE AS THE REFERENCE*

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the students who participated so well in the "Award Card" in Term 4 2011. Our walls are covered with fabulous posters and projects done by our students.

**Congratulations** to the WINNERS of the KEYBOARDS in the Award Card Draw.

**We have sadly farewelled Mrs Kathleen Sweeting who has been with us at Forte Eastwood for over 12 years. She is downsizing her workload. We wish her the best in her less busy life.**

**We also farewelled Mr Ben Grace in 2011, who relocated temporarily to New York, although we do expect to see him back some day!**

**In 2012 we welcome Mr Anthony Wong, who we share with Sutherland Forte, and Miss Joanne Li.**