Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition at School

We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students starting in Term 2, 2014. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition. Music Stars provides:

- Group guitar and keyboard tuition
- Caters for all grades & music levels
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- Convenient! Lessons at school!
- Very Affordable! $55 per term
- 70% less than out-of-school lessons + early bird & family discounts available
- End of year reports and certificates
- Guitars and keyboards supplied for use during lessons

An Expression of Interest has been handed out with this Bulletin. Please note that this program has been subsidized by The Smith Family Learning Clubs program, cutting the cost to parents by half. Don’t miss this fantastic opportunity for your child. It is our hope that a number of students will participate and continue their lessons for the year. There will be limited places available in the program and further information will be given in future Bulletins based on the interest levels of students.

Parents needed
If you are willing to sew dance costumes, please see Mrs Peel!
"To be one, to be united is a great thing. But to respect the right to be different is maybe even greater.”

Bono

**Athletics Carnival**

We had a great day on Friday. While we were worried about the weather, the cool temperature and the fantastic atmosphere generated by the students and parents made the racing and the competition an awesome event. Thank you to all parents who attended and supported their children in their races and events.

A special thank you goes to Mount Austin High School for sending their student helpers to give essential assistance on the day.

Congratulations to all our runners and field competitors! Whether you won or not, your sportsmanship and effort on the day made the day a great success.

Our age champions for 2014 are:

- Junior Boy Champion: Tyson Gibbons
- Junior Girl Champion: Ebony Warner
- 11 Years Boy Champion: Jordan Baker
- 11 Years Girl Champion: Taimani Mafi
- Senior Boy Champion: Yestin Hall
- Senior Girl Champion: Montana Davies

Well done to our champions! A note for district athletics will go out shortly when we have received information for the carnival this year.

**Messages for our parents**

**Important Dates**

- Aboriginal Ed. Meeting: 5 March
- Day with a Scientist: 6 March
- 1-2-3 Magic (parents): 7 March
- Trent Barratt Shield: 18 March
- Close the Gap Day: 20 March
- Stage 2 Tashi Excursion: 21 March
- Cross Country: 2 May
- Stage 3 The Deep Excursion: 6 May
- K-2 Wulamanayuwi and the Seven Pamanui Excursion: 4 June

**Canteen Roster**

- Wednesday – T. Bennett
- Thursday – T. Bennett
- Friday – K. Warner
- Monday – Help Required
- Tuesday – K. Warner
Head Lice
Head lice are most common among primary school aged children and are spread by direct contact with the hair of the infested individual. Head lice are rarely transferred through clothing, hats, furniture or bedding. Headlice are easily treatable with a recommended treatment from a chemist. Also purchase a fine toothed steel comb to remove the nits (eggs). Repeat the treatment ONE WEEK after the first time….this is MOST important.

Stage 2 Excursion- Tashi
This term students have been studying the book Tashi by Anna & Barbara Feinberg & Kim Gable. The Civic Theatre will be hosting a show for students in Years 3 and 4 on Friday 21 March. Students have been given permission notes today and they need to be returned by Friday 14 March to confirm numbers. The cost for the excursion will be $6.

Trent Barrett Shield
The Trent Barrett Shield for Stage 2 Rugby League will be contested on Tuesday 18th March, at Paramore Park. Our team, coached by Peter Little, will compete against other teams from schools in the Wagga Zone.

Expression of Interest for Year 6 students for High School in 2015
Students in Year 6 will be given an Expression of Interest form for high school in 2015. These forms will be given to students on the 10th of March. Parents need to complete the form and return to school by 21st of March.

CSU Dental Clinic
Charles Sturt University will continue to see students from our school this year. As it is a new calendar year, we are required to have parents complete new permission forms. The students who will be attending first will be students who needed further treatment from last year. If you have any dental concerns for your child, please contact the school and if time is permitted we will do our best to see that your child can access this service. To support this partnership, please ensure all permission notes are completed and returned promptly as our first visit is tomorrow. Following are the dates that students will be visiting the dental clinic:
- March- 5th, 12th, 19th
- April- 2nd
- May- 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

Aboriginal Education Committee for 2014
We are calling for interested parents or community members to join our school Aboriginal Education Committee. The committee plans significant events throughout the year such as NAIDOC Day and cultural awareness programs offered to students. Please come along to a morning tea that will be held on Wednesday 5th March at 10am in our school Community Centre. All welcome to attend!

A Day with a Scientist
On Thursday March 6, our school will be hosting a Science Day for students around our district. As this is a district event, only selected students will be invited to attend as part of our Gifted and Talented program. Permission notes will be handed out this week. The cost for Ashmont students to attend has been subsidised by the Smith Family and the school.

Crazy Hair Day
The SRC will be having a Crazy Hair Day on Friday 14 March.
A Gold Coin Donation is required on the day
Students are allowed to wear Mufti on the day
The SRC will be raising money for Leukemia research
Come with your craziest hair

Close the Gap
Community members are invited to attend a ‘Closing the Gap’ concert to be held at our school on Thursday 20th March at 10.00am.

Parents can browse the information stalls and join us for morning tea.
All welcome!
Literacy News
The whole school is working hard learning the term Spelling Lists. The tests will be in about five weeks time. Remember you can get another list from your child’s teacher if you need one. Knowing how to spell these words will make your child a better reader and writer. Some students did so well in the pre-test they will have an extension list to learn. Congratulations to these excellent spellers.

Birthdays
Tahlia Frost-Hocking
Amelilia Phillips
Jayson Duncan

Principal’s Award
Winners
Bradley Marshall & Georgia Hampton

School Office hours
8.30am to 3.45pm

Yarn’n with Louise and Rachael
We are hoping to see all our parents this Friday 7 March at 123 Magic. It is at the Community Centre at 9.30am. All new parents are welcome to attend. Morning tea will be supplied. Rachael would like parents she has had contact with to fill out a quick survey for her. If Rachael or Louise have not caught up with you, could you see them for a survey sheet. We are all looking forward to a great parent learning year.

Louise & Rachael

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