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Rehearsal Schedule Term 1 2016

Give this to mum and dad!

Hi Everyone,

Here is all the information you need to know about the orchestra and how it works. If you have any other questions send me through an email on juniororchestra@nsym.org.nz or give me a call on 440 9075.

Rehearsal Schedule Term 1

All rehearsals are at St Peters Church in this hall.

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| 1. Wednesday 10th February | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 2. Wednesday 17th February | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 3. Wednesday 24th February | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 4. Wednesday 2nd March | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |

Concert

Sunday 6th March	12.30pm – 1.30pm	AMI Netball Centre 44 Northcote Rd, Northcote
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| 5. Wednesday 9th March | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 6. Wednesday 16th March | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 7. Wednesday 23rd March | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 8. Wednesday 30th March | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 9. Wednesday 6th April | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |
| 10. Wednesday 13th April | 5.00pm - 6.30pm |

School Holidays – No rehearsals

Term 2 dates to remember:

Sat 7 th May – Sun 8 th May		Orchestra Camp
Wednesday 29 th June	6.30pm	Combined Concert – Bruce Mason Centre

Term 3 dates to remember:

Fri 5 th Aug – Sun 7 th Aug		Orchestra and Choir Tour (Details TBC)
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Term 4 dates to remember:

Fri 14 th Oct	9.00am – 3.00pm	Schools Tour
Sat 19 th Nov	2.00pm	Retirement Village Concert (Details TBC)
Wed 30 th Nov	5.00pm – 6.30pm	End of Year Concert

Fees

The fees for the orchestra are as follows:

1 child = \$50 per term. (\$200 for the year) 2 children = \$75 per term. (\$300 for the year)

Fees should be paid at the start of each term or for the full year. It is best to pay fees online with internet banking, then I have an accurate record of who has paid for what. The bank account number is: North Shore Junior Orchestra 12-3119-0204418-00 please include your name along with which term you are paying for. This year for the first time in about 5 years we have had to increase our fees for the orchestra. This is because the cost of hiring the church hall on a Wednesday afternoon has been significantly increased. We still feel it is the best place for us at the moment, but are actively looking for other venues to rehearse at. If anyone can help with this, please email me and let me know.

Music

You have 3 or 4 pieces of music currently, and this will increase to about 7 or 8. We will be playing the music you have at our concert in June and then on our Tour in Aug, then you will hand all this music in. In mid Term 3 we will be starting new music for the end of year concerts.

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Camp

Each year we go away together as an orchestra to one of the local camps for a night so that we can get to know each other a bit better, and have the chance to rehearse and practice the pieces we are playing. This year the camp will be on the weekend of the 7th, 8th of May. Please keep this weekend free as camp is a compulsory part of the orchestra. We will be staying overnight Saturday 7th, and coming home on Sunday 8th at around 1.30pm. Please keep this in mind if you have other commitments on a Sunday morning you will need to miss these to come on camp.

Concert

Our main concert each year happens at the end of Term 2. This year the concert will be at the Bruce Mason Centre on Wednesday 29th June. We will be having a dress rehearsal during the afternoon after school, with the concert at this stage scheduled for 6.30pm. More details to follow.

Stringalongs

If you are a string player and especially those in violin 3 and 2 and cellos, you are welcome to also play in the Stringalongs. This is our training string orchestra, and will give you a chance to learn some more of the skills required to progress up through the orchestra sections. Because the Junior Orchestra is so large now, our rehearsals can often blast through some of the more specific string techniques, so time in Stringalongs will help you to learn these better. Stringalongs first rehearsal is Wed 17th Feb, 3.45pm – 4.45pm in the church. Please email me on juniororchestra@nsym.org.nz if you want to come along.

Hall and Parking

We count it as a privilege to be able to use our venue here at St Peters, so please respect these rules. Please do not park in the 4 spaces allocated “Kindergarten Use Only”. There are plenty of other parks available, or try parking on the road and walking up.

Please follow the direction for the car park, it will make everything easier at that crucial drop off time at 4.50pm

Please bring a drink bottle to your rehearsal instead of using the cups in the kitchen. I end up having to do the washing up.....

After the rehearsal if you could help to pack away your chairs and the percussion when required that will save me a lot of time.

