

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

June Band Newsletter

MAY HIGHLIGHTS

Congratulations to all of the band students on their performance at the Final Band Concert on May 15. It was truly a wonderful evening of music making and community . Thank you once again to all of the parents for their help and continued support. Congratulations to Taryn Sampson, Olivia Ballantine-Todd, Annie Jiang, Rachelle Lambert, Josh Atayan, and Jordie Ouellet on being recognized as this year's Canadian Band Association's Outstanding Musician Award recipients, as well as the 20 students that were awarded scholarships to attend a summer music camp.

Congratulations to Jordie Ouellet and Owen Brandt who successfully auditioned for the Manitoba Provincial Honour Junior Jazz Band. They will rehearse for three days with a guest conductor and artist and perform a concert at the West End Cultural Centre as part of the Winnipeg Jazz Festival. Bravo!

Thank you to Morning Jazz and the Jazz Combo for their performances at the Volunteer Appreciation Tea.

Congratulations to Conor Anderson, Joseph Nardella, Annie Jiang, Josh Atayan, Sarah Bell, and Jordie Ouellet on their performance with the Winnipeg Wind Ensemble on May 15.

IMPORTANT JUNE INFORMATION/ EVENTS

Jazz Cabaret-Thursday, June 9 at 7 pm

We are looking forward to the upcoming Jazz Cabaret on Thursday, June 9. Tickets are now on sale and are \$5 each. Cake and coffee will be served. Junior, Morning, and Atelier Jazz will perform as well as Vincent Massey's Monday Jazz Band. We are looking for parent volunteers to help out with the evening. Please visit the following link to sign up: http://vols.pt/yEof77.

2016-2017 Jazz Band Auditions

Auditions to be members of next year's Morning and Atelier Jazz bands are now taking place. Audition results will be posted by the end of the day on Friday, June 3.

Morning and Atelier Jazz Community Tour and Wind-Up-June 16

Morning and Atelier Jazz will be performing at Ecole Crane and Meadowood Manor on Thursday, June 16. We will also have lunch at Boston Pizza and go bowling as part of our wind-up. A permission slip will be sent out next week.



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SUMMER INSTRUMENT CLEANING AND REPAIRS

(SCHOOL AND PERSONAL)

School-owned instruments: All instruments that have been rented through the school need to be returned no later than **Wednesday**, **June 15** so that they may be cleaned and repaired. Please arrange for them to be dropped off by this day in the band room. Accord Music will be coming to pick up our instruments on June 17 so it is extremely important that the instruments are back at school on time. Thank you for your understanding.



The wise musicians are those who play what they can master.

- Duke Ellington

For everyone else: The summer is a good time to send in your child's instrument to get cleaned and tuned up. Food can get trapped in the instrument and mold can build up, especially over the summer months when it is not being used so it is a good idea to send it in.

For those attending a camp in the summer and renting from the school: Please return your instrument to the school for June 15. It will be cleaned and returned to you by June 30. If you are in grade 8 and attending a camp, Vincent Massey will most likely supply an instrument for your child to use. Please contact Mr. Abraham to arrange for pick-up. You can reach him via email: mabraham@pembinatrails.ca.



2016-2017 YEAR AT-A-GLANCE

September 13 First rehearsal for Morning Jazz

September 16 and 19 Strong Beginnings (Grade 7 Only)

October 17-18 Camp Assiniboia (Grade 8 Band)

November 16-17 PTSD Divisional Middle Years Honour Band

(Select Grade 8 Students only)

December 8 Winter Band Concert

December 10 Holiday Tuba Festival (Tuba and Euphonium

Players)

January 20 Solo and Ensemble Festival (Grade 7 Band)

February 21-24 Optimist Band Festival (Grade 8 Band Only-

Date TBA)

March 1-4 Optimist Jazz Festival (Morning and Atelier

Jazz Only-Date TBA)

March 6 Provincial Junior Honour Band Audition

Deadline

March 16-17 Brandon Jazz Festival

April 25-28 Level One Festival (Grade 7 Band Only-Date

TBA)

May 4-6 Provincial Junior Honour Band

May 17 Spring Band Concert

May 29-June 2 2016-2017 Jazz Band Auditions

June 8 Jazz Cabaret

Thursday, June 15 Jazz Community Tour (Morning and Atelier

Jazz Only)





Did You Know...

John Lennon wrote the song, "Good Morning, Good Morning" after hearing a Cornflakes commercial.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 30-June 3 2016-2017 Jazz Auditions

Wednesday, June 1 Jazz Cabaret Tickets go on sale

Friday, June 3 Live at Massey Hall Thursday, June 9 Jazz Cabaret (7 pm)

Thursday, June 15 Rental Instruments Return Date

Thursday, June 18 Jazz Community Tour (Morning and Atelier

Jazz Only)

Thank You!

To the Band Parent Committee for all of your help this year

- To the teachers, administration, secretaries, custodians for your flexibility and support
- To all parents, family members, and friends who helped out, attended, and supported in any way
 they could throughout the year

But most of all, to the students for a fantastic year of music making, friendship, compassion, fun, and laughter. I feel truly blessed that I get the opportunity to work with such wonderful people on a daily basis. I look forward to hearing about the accomplishments of our new grade 8 students. I wish all the best to our current grade 8 students as they embark on a new chapter of their lives. Wherever life might lead you and regardless of whether or not you are continuing into band next year, I hope that you have come to value music as an important aspect of our world and of your lives, and that your experience at EVA is something that you will reflect on fondly in years to come. I will miss being a part of EVA's fantastic community and will miss all of the students very much. I am sure that we will see each other at some festival or workshop in the near future!

Sincerely,

Vanessa Nowostawski

Music Educator







LEAVING YOUR SCHOOL-OWNED INSTRUMENT: THE SADDEST OF ALL BREAK-UP STORIES.

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