

Music Report Newsletter 6/2/20

Welcome back to all RSC musicians and well done to all Stage Bands, Senior Choir and Senior Vocal Ensemble for starting the year off with their day camps, during the first 2 weekends of term 1, in preparation for Generations in Jazz held at Mt Gambier early next term.

All rehearsals have commenced for the year, this week and it has been great to see so many enthusiastic and positive musicians around the PAC.

Year Seven tryouts are well under way and we invite all year sevens to consider taking up an instrument.

Learning a musical instrument is a wonderful skill for any child but did you know that research shows how learning music can help your child in **SO MANY OTHER WAYS:**

- . Improved reasoning capacity and problem-solving skills
- . Improved maths and language performance
- . Better memory
- . Greater social and team skills

As mentioned at the Year 7 Information Night, last term, learning music is great for the brain. Every part of the brain is used when playing a musical instrument and the improvements occur from the very beginning.

Why should your child do music? Please see the link below for all the wonderful reasons why your child should learn a musical instrument:

<https://education.abc.net.au/newsandarticles/blog/-/b/2974240/music-education-helps-improve-children-s-ability-to-learn?sf199861636=1>

Learning music can make a difference for your child!

With this in mind all year 7 students and parents are invited to RSC Music's **Recruitment Night, Wednesday 19 February, 7.00pm in the College Hall, proceeding to the 500's for tryouts at 7.30pm. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to join our vibrant and exciting music program here at Ringwood.**

Any year 8 to 12 students who wish to join the program, please come and see us in the PAC office as soon as possible. It's never too late to start learning a musical instrument or join one of our many ensembles.

Our Music Association needs your help!

The Music Association is looking for new members in 2020. It really is a great way to become part of your child's journey through the music program, to meet other parents and to find out a little more about what happens behind the scenes at the college.

The Music Association is a parent group, which actively supports the Music Program by assisting with front of house at concerts; serving suppers, and fundraising to purchase much needed instruments (the ones that are too expensive for families to buy) and equipment. They have a longstanding place in the history of the college and want to ensure that they remain viable long into the future. The committee meets approximately twice per term on a Monday evening. Their final "meeting" for the year is a social dinner in late November or early December.

Please feel free to call the Music Association's President Trudy Brewster on 0425 806 460 or send an email to trudy.brewster@noeljones.com.au if you would like to find out more about the RSC Music Association or you are most welcome to attend our first meeting for the year, next Monday 10 February, 7pm in the Conference Room, Administration Building.

The RSC Music Association would love to hear from you.

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