



BAND NEWS

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Folks, it's fees time again. Our industrious Treasurer Angela has been busy with Term 1 band invoices, which have been handed out to your musicians this week. Please check in all the usual places, like bags and music cases, under lunchboxes, in pockets etc etc. Prompt payment would be very much appreciated.

TRAINING BAND

Our youngest band members have had two practices with their instruments and have been amazed to hear that when they all play together they can make some lovely music. "Hot Cross Buns" never sounded so good! Please check that your children have all necessary equipment, especially accessories like drumsticks, guitar straps and spare reeds. Many thanks to parent helpers, especially Michael Ackerman (father of Janine) who assists with set-up every week. Bravo to you all.

CONCERT BAND

Our coordinators have decided to stick with the trusty form of email communication for Concert Band parents, as most reminders are needed before practice. Keep checking your inbox before rehearsals on Thursdays.

EISTEDDFODS

This year the Yamaha Festival clashes with the McDonalds' Challenge. As clever as they are, Concert Band can only compete in one at a time, so we will be playing in the Yamaha. Training Band will have their first big competition when they challenge other bands at the Galston Eisteddfod. More details will follow closer to competition times.

BAND WORKSHOP

The first 2009 band workshop will be held at school on **Sunday May 3**. It's a great time of intense practices with Ray and in small tutorials. When parents come and hear the concert at the end they are always amazed at how professional the bands sound. The band workshops are invaluable in terms of preparing the kids for their competitions and any concerts they perform in. Please make a note of the date and keep checking the newsletter.