



## Australian Music Schools Newsletter Term 3, 2011

Welcome to term 3 - Hope you had a great break and are ready for lots of music! We start back on MONDAY JULY 18 and the last day of term 3 is SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24.

Congratulations to all our students on wonderful concerts, piano exams and other outstanding musical results in term 2. Please see page two of this document for more details of their success!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our **Brand New AMS Location** in Sydney's St George area. Contact details are on our website. All the very best to Miss Tina and all her brand new students!

**Term 3 is all about PIANO EISTEDDFODS and AMS CAMP** 😊

**The AMS Piano Eisteddfod** is a wonderful opportunity for solo performance and feedback in a friendly atmosphere. Performance is a wonderful life skill and the more you do it – the easier it gets! Copy and paste this link in your browser for some comments on last years' Eisteddfod:

<http://australianmusicschools.wordpress.com/2010/10/19/such-beautiful-performances/>

The Eisteddfod is open to all students from Junior Book 2 onwards and is categorised by AMS Course, rather than by age. Sections are open to students at all AMS locations (a wonderful opportunity to mix with non-local AMS families!) and students must be currently attending an AMS class to enter.

2 performance pieces are required – teachers will be taking you through all the details in class. All students receive a certificate and an adjudicators report and awards (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) are given in each section. Junior Plus, Extension, Spectrum & Advanced students are



eligible for the AMS 2011 Performance Award – the perpetual shield and \$200. Bookings open soon – watch this space!

**AMS camp is the highlight of our year:** Saturday September 24 – Monday September 26. It is open to AMS students aged 7 and over in Extension, Spectrum, Advanced & Viva Voice classes. (There may be spots for Junior Plus students – we will let you know). We are also launching 'POLYPHONIC' – a 24 hour pre-camp experience for our high school students: Friday September 23 – Saturday September 24. (How exciting!!) **This year camp bookings will be online** – the link will be sent to relevant classes on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. Camp books out VERY FAST as it is extremely popular – get in quick as places are limited!



Planning for our **21<sup>st</sup> Birthday Party** is underway! We are having a family picnic in term 4 and would love to reconnect with as many past AMS families as possible. If you know of any, let them know! The AMS Facebook page will have all the details a little later in the year. Don't forget to 'like' us on facebook - There's a link on our homepage: [www.australianmusicschools.com.au](http://www.australianmusicschools.com.au)

A reminder that **NO FOOD OR DRINK** may be brought into any of the AMS classrooms. Classrooms are also a **MOBILE FREE ZONE** – switch yours off before you come into the classroom please.

Term 3 invoices have now been sent. Please do not adjust your invoice for any reason – any queries either email or speak to Sandi in the office on 9314 7282.

Have a wonderful term!  
Best regards,  
AMS Staff.



## AMS Term 1 & 2 – fantastic results

It has been a busy start to our year with Exams, Eisteddfods, Lessons and of course – Concerts! Here are a few updates & outstanding student results that we think are worth a special mention. As always, we are very proud.

### **Congratulations to:**

**Jack Symonds** - Jack is a former AMS student who was in Miss Samantha's class at Randwick for many years. He recently received his Bachelor of Music degree with First Class Honours at the Sydney Conservatorium and has been offered a full scholarship to the Royal College of Music in London to complete his Masters in Composition. Jack is the 2<sup>nd</sup> AMS student in recent years to win the University Medal. It was awarded to Tristan Coelho (Miss Michelle & Miss Samantha's classes) a few years ago for Bachelor of Music, also at the Sydney Conservatorium

**Yenlamtam Clark** has been accepted into year 7 at the Conservatorium High School for 2012 on French Horn & Piano. Yen is in Mr Jake's Spectrum class at AMS Dulwich Hill and has his private lessons with Miss Laura

**Brendan Stuart** placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Music in year 7 at The Shore School. Brendan is in Miss Keryn's Extension class at AMS Narrabeen

**Rafi Owen** placed first in his music class in year 7 at Sydney Grammar School. Rafi is in Miss Michelle's Advanced class at AMS Randwick

**Harley Koltai** placed first in his music class in year 7 at Cranbrook. Harley is in Miss Michelle's Advanced class at AMS Randwick

**Remi Owen** received a High Distinction in his 1<sup>st</sup> semester music exam in year 8 at Sydney Grammar School. Remi would also like his starring role as a Munchkin in the ASCHAM Musical production noted here. Remi is in Miss Michelle's Advanced class at AMS Randwick

**Ruby Learoyd** received full marks for her music composition in year 8 at St Vincents College. Ruby is in Miss Michelle's Advanced class and Miss Elisha's Viva Voice class at AMS Randwick

**Eden Dorra** received 120% in his school music exam (due to the fact that he not only got full marks but also completed the test in record time!) Eden is in Miss Lindi's Advanced class at AMS Randwick

**Hannah Paul** won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Vocal Solo Ballad & 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Character Song in Costume in the Northern Beaches Eisteddfod. Hannah is in Mr Jake's Viva Voice class at AMS Narrabeen

**Liam Patterson** performed in the Scholars recital at Cranbrook, where he is on a full music scholarship for Bassoon. Liam attends Miss Michelle's advanced class at AMS Randwick

**Jessica Franke** has been awarded a part in the *Regals Musical Society* production of 'Annie'. Jess is in Miss Elisha's Viva Voice class at AMS Randwick

**Chloe Marshall** has a call-back from her audition for the upcoming major production of 'Annie the Musical'. Chloe is in Miss Elisha's Extension class at AMS Randwick

**Jay Newman & James Laver** were both awarded parts in their school musical productions

**Harley Koltai & Liam Strang** were awarded an **A+** grading for their piano exam. Harley and Liam are both in Advanced course at AMS Randwick

The following students all received an **A** grading for their AMS or AMEB piano exams;

**Dylan O'Connor, Melissa Yahghoglu, Ee-shyan Balnave, He-shyan Balnave, Orlando Janschek, Auvro Adhikari, Amber Boyden, Ruby Goldman, Ruby Learoyd, Ruby Newman, Kyawaleta Wiya, John Papathanasiou, Robert Lee, Talia Kaplan, Alice Pembroke, Darcey O'Brien, Ethan Slender, Ezra Hersch, Hugo Leeming, Dominique Leeming, Pema Daoud, Rene Kesler, Katherine Law, Vivien Fainerman, Austin Liu, Eleanor Tanou, Jonah Hopkin, Astrid Davis**

We are still awaiting results from some of our written theory exams and will report back as soon as the results appear. We do know that Miss Michelle's grade 2 theory class did extremely well – these students all with marks of 95% or higher;

**Patricia Lapinski, Isaac Madder, Courtney Coates, Cato Ayyar, Rafi Owen, Ruby Learoyd, Henrietta Burns**

We do apologise if we have left anyone off this list – please let us know and we will be happy to tell the world how brilliant you are.

We hope you are having a wonderful break,  
AMS Staff.