



## Australian Music Schools Newsletter Term 4, 2011

**Welcome to term 4** – our final big term for 2011. Our final day of classes is Saturday December 17. This term we have **COMPOSERS DAY**, our **21<sup>st</sup> BIRTHDAY PICNIC** and lots of **PIANO EXAMS**. Read on for all the details.

**We had a great time on AMS CAMP!** 82 students and 13 staff had a wonderful (but very wet!) 48 hours of musical mayhem. Our very first 'POLYPHONIC!' for high school AMS students saw 16 teenagers having a blast for an extra 24 hours..... we had a ball.

**RESULTS** are starting to come in from our term 3 written **Theory & Musicianship Examinations**. So far we have 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade back and everyone has done brilliantly. We will get more info to you as soon as we can – CONGRATULATIONS teachers and students!



**PIANO EXAMS – forms are attached and available from your teacher.** Students in Junior 4, Super Starter 2, Junior Plus & Extension will sit their end of course exam. Students from Preliminary onwards will sit their grade exam. Exams provide an excellent opportunity for detailed individual reporting. They also provide a solid goal and mark the successful completion of each level at the end of the year. Students receive a written comment for each section of the exam: performance pieces, technique, general knowledge, sight reading & aural skills - as well as an overall mark. Good Luck everyone.

**AMS COMPOSERS DAY** is a great afternoon featuring original music by AMS students. It is a non-competitive opportunity to perform your own work and to enjoy the creativity of others. Entrants receive written feedback and a certificate. Open to AMS students of any age and for compositions on any instrument(s). Each piece must have a title & be well rehearsed for performance. There is a time limit; minimum 30 seconds, maximum 2 & ½ minutes. All other bits & pieces are on the form, available from your teacher. Composers Day 2011 will be on **Friday December 9** at AMS Randwick. Get creative!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US.....**yes we've been around for 21 years! To celebrate our 21<sup>st</sup> we are having a family picnic and we would love to see you there. There will be games, races & competitions... stand by for all the details....



**A few reminders** to get our term off to a good start:

- No mobile phones in class – this applies to both parents and students!
- No food or drink in classrooms please
- Our main form of contact is email – please make sure we have your current details so we can keep you up to date
- Fees are due on the first lesson of the term
- Please do not adjust your invoice – contact the office for assistance
- We apologise that only the child enrolled is permitted to come to class – no siblings please
- Our last lesson of the term will be an 'OPEN CLASS' for family to enjoy

Wishing you a wonderful term.  
AMS Staff

## AMS EXAMINATION ENTRY FORM term 4 2011

NAME OF STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PH: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_ PRIVATE TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_

EXAMS WILL BE HELD AT **AMS RANDWICK** or one **Saturday afternoon at Dulwich Hill**.

*Please number 1st to 3rd preference below.*

Friday 18 November	12.30 – 3pm	
Friday 18 November	3pm – 5pm	
Saturday 19 Nov	9.30 – 12pm	
Saturday 19 Nov	12.30pm – 3pm	
Saturday 19 Nov	3pm – 5pm	

Friday 25 November	12.30 – 3pm	
Friday 25 November	3pm – 5pm	
Saturday 26 Nov	9.30 – 12pm	
Saturday 26 Nov	12.30 – 2.15pm	
<b>At Dulwich Hill</b>		
<b>Saturday 26 Nov</b>	<b>3.30 – 5pm</b>	

- **Enclose payment with this form**
- **Entries close Friday 4 November**
- **Individual times will be issued via email**

LEVEL	STUDENTS	COST
Junior Exam	During Junior book 4	\$28
Super Starter Exam	During Super Starter book 2	\$28
Junior Plus Exam	During Junior Plus book 2	\$32
Extension	During Extension 1 or 2	\$34
Preliminary	Open	\$36
Grade 1	Open	\$42
Grade 2	Open	\$48
Grade 3	Open	\$52
Grade 4	Open	\$56
Grade 5	Open	\$62
Grade 6	Open	\$62

AMS EXAM LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY FEE: \_\_\_\_\_

CASH / CHEQUE / CREDIT CARD DETAILS: NAME ON CARD \_\_\_\_\_

CARD TYPE \_\_\_\_\_ CARD NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EXP \_\_\_\_\_

- Examination fees are non-refundable in the event of a missed exam for any reason
- Please list student name as it is to appear on the certificate
- We apologise that once allocated, times cannot be adjusted
- Students should arrive 15 minutes before the allocated time