

Dear Parents and Students,

After a long and wonderful year, we have finally come to the end of 2016. It has been a delight to see the development of all of our students, and we are truly thankful to have such fantastic and talented people attending our studio. We would like to make a special mention to all students who performed in the end-of-year concert this year, all of whom performed outstandingly well, conducting themselves with the highest levels of professionalism and focus.

With 2017 just on the horizon, we look forward to seeing just what wonders and mysteries the New Year will hold for all of us. If our outstanding results from 2016 are any indication, then it is sure to be a year to remember. We here at Alla's Music Studio hope that everybody has a happy holiday, stay safe, and remember: Practice, practice, practice!

Alla & Staff

Change of Term Dates

Due to the growing demand of lessons during holiday periods and over breaks, we have decided to extend the dates of the terms that we are open. Starting next year, all terms will be approximately 1

week longer. Exact dates may be found on the calendar here. →

As music is a discipline that requires constant attention, practice and diligence, we are confident that all students will benefit from a greater number of weeks at the studio each term. In addition to this, the extended opening weeks ensures that our teachers will have more consistent financial support throughout the year, ensuring that they will stay at the studio and be able to focus on your children's development first and foremost.

Melodu Partnership

This year, we are proud to announce the partnership between Alla's Music Studio and Melodu. Melodu is a fun and creative new iPhone app that allows people to share recordings of themselves playing music online, bringing people together through a creative fusion of technology and music. As part of this partnership, we are running a competition to see who can get the most views on their video, with a prize of a whole term's worth of music lessons for FREE! Details for the competition may be found on the back of this newsletter.

Calendar of Events

TERM DATES FOR 2017:

TERM 1, 2017:

MONDAY, 16TH OF JANUARY – SATURDAY, 8TH OF APRIL
MONDAY & THURSDAY: 11 WEEK TERM
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY: 12 WEEKS

WE ARE NOT OPEN ON THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:

THURSDAY 26TH JANUARY - AUSTRALIA DAY
MONDAY 13TH MARCH - LABOUR DAY

TERM 2, 2017:

TUESDAY, 18TH OF APRIL – SATURDAY, 8TH OF JULY

MONDAY: 10 WEEKS

TUESDAY 11 WEEKS

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY: 12 WEEKS

WE ARE NOT OPEN ON THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:

TUESDAY 25TH OF APRIL
MONDAY 12TH OF JUNE

HOLIDAY PROGRAM:

INDIVIDUAL/GROUP INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS:

TERM 4 HOLIDAYS:

MONDAY, 26TH DECEMBER – SATURDAY, 31ST DECEMBER,
MONDAY 9TH JANUARY - SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY

TERM 1 HOLIDAYS:

WEDNESDAY, 10TH OF APRIL – SATURDAY, 15TH OF APRIL.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE CONTACT US BY EMAIL, PHONE OR FILL OUT THE CORRESPONDING FORMS AND LEAVE IT AT RECEPTION.

HOLIDAY MAKE-UP LESSONS:

IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED A MAKE-UP LESSON DURING THE SCHOOL TERM, PLEASE FILL OUT A **MAKE-UP LESSON CLAIM FORM** AND SUBMIT IT TO RECEPTION WHEN THE RE-ENROLMENT PROCEDURE BEGINS.

2017 AMEB EXAMINATION DATES:

- 1ST METROPOLITAN: 26TH APRIL – 13RD MAY (CLOSING: 1ST MARCH)

- 2ND METROPOLITAN: 15TH MAY - 4TH JUNE (CLOSING 15TH MARCH)

- 3RD METROPOLITAN: 13TH JUNE - 1ST JULY (CLOSING 26TH APRIL)

- 4TH METROPOLITAN: 14TH AUGUST - 10TH SEPTEMBER (CLOSING 26TH JULY)

COUNTRY VICTORIA:

1ST COUNTRY: 24TH JULY – 12TH AUGUST (CLOSING: 10TH MAY)

SPECIAL SUBJECTS:

1ST SPECIAL: 24TH JULY – 30TH JULY (CLOSING: 10TH MAY)

MUSIC THEORY:

23RD AUGUST: THEORY OF MUSIC (CLOSING: 24TH MAY)

THEORY OF MUSIC BOOKINGS CAN BE DONE ONLINE AT:
WWW.AMEBEXAMS.EDU.AU

Preschool Music Program - Kinder Beat

Alla's Music Studio is running an award-winning Kinder Beat music group program for children 3-5 years old in the mornings. If you are interested, please talk to our receptionist or call us on 9942 4066. You can also visit our website for more information: <http://allasmusicstudio.com.au/pre-school-program/>



Award-winning Australian program

kinder beat!
Encore Music Education™

Discover a whole new world of music!

Music Competitions

We would like to encourage our students to participate in the following music competitions running this year:

Benefits:

- Offers another chance to perform in front of a big audience
- Motivates the child to practice regularly
- Improves overall skills in their respective instrument

Waverley Music Eisteddfod

www.waverleyme.com/#!about-us/cixt

Take the Mic

www.takethemic.com.au

Boroondara Eisteddfod

www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/our-city/arts-culture/eisteddfod

Manningham Eisteddfod

www.bulleenbaptist.org.au/home/events/manningham-eisteddfod/index.html

International Piano Festival & Competition

www.ipfc.com.my

If you are interested in participating in any one of these competitions, please speak to your teacher to begin the enrolment process and necessary preparation

Music Shop

We are very excited to announce the official opening of our very own music store at both our Bentleigh East and Mt. Waverley locations!

We have a wide variety of music instruments from different brands!

We are offering our current students up to 10% discount on the retail price of our music instruments at any time of the year.



Melodu and Alla's music studio present a **Mobile Music Contest**

- ★ Competition kicks off Dec 15th
- ★ Simply download the FREE Melodu iPhone App
- ★ Submit a Happy New Year themed musical performance using the FREE Melodu iPhone App
- ★ Spread the word using Facebook or your favourite social media
- ★ The highest number of video views WINS the big prize, a fully paid term of music lessons with Alla's Music Studio*
- ★ More info to come at www.melodu.com

Find us at [facebook.com/MeloduMusic](https://www.facebook.com/MeloduMusic)

*as per terms and conditions.