



## Dear Parents and Students,

We hope that everyone is having a fantastic beginning to the school year. We are looking forward to seeing what this year brings and what new adventures everyone will encounter on their musical journeys. With every new year, new challenges arise but we believe that everyone here will do their best and we are certain that a year of hard work will pay off.

*Alla & Staff*

## Change of Enrolment Process

We would like to inform you that, starting from Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> of April 2017, our school will have no school term holidays and will remain open until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December (with a 1-week break from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of April for renovations). 2018 will begin on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of January.

Instead of enrolling based on school term dates, we will now enrol students for packs of 5 or 10 lessons. Prices will remain the same for 30, 45 and 60 minute lessons (in 10-lesson packs), with any additional block of 10 lessons during the same period of time receiving a 10% discount. Lessons booked in 5-lesson packs will pay an extra \$3 per lesson, with no discount on additional lessons, so it's best to get in early and book your 10-lesson packs to get your lessons cheaper! Trial lesson prices and the once-off enrolment fee will remain the same.

We are also upgrading our booking and enrolment system. Due to previous difficulties with keeping track of each student and confirming lessons every term, we have streamlined the process by changing to an online system of enrolments which will require you to reply EITHER by SMS or email to confirm or cancel your child's enrolment. This will be necessary at the end of each pack of 10 or 5 lessons that you have paid for. A lack of response to either SMS or Email notifications will result in an automatic unenrolment.

## 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

## *Calendar of Events*

### TERM DATES FOR 2017:

#### OPENING DATES:

**MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY – FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER**  
(EXCLUDING 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL FOR  
RENOVATIONS)

**2018 STARTS ON MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY**

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS (CLOSED):

**THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY – AUSTRALIA DAY**

**MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – LABOUR DAY**

**FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – GOOD FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – DAY BEFORE EASTER  
SUNDAY**

**SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – EASTER SUNDAY**

**MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – EASTER MONDAY**

**TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – ANZAC DAY**

**MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – QUEENS BIRTHDAY**

**TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER – MELBOURNE CUP DAY**

### 2017 AMEB EXAMINATION DATES:

- **1<sup>ST</sup> METROPOLITAN:** 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – 13<sup>RD</sup> MAY  
(CLOSING: 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH)

- **2<sup>ND</sup> METROPOLITAN:** 15<sup>TH</sup> MAY - 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
(CLOSING 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH)

- **3<sup>RD</sup> METROPOLITAN:** 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE - 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY (CLOSING  
26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL)

- **4<sup>TH</sup> METROPOLITAN:** 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST - 10<sup>TH</sup>  
SEPTEMBER (CLOSING 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY)

### COUNTRY VICTORIA:

1<sup>ST</sup> COUNTRY: 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY – 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST (CLOSING:  
10<sup>TH</sup> MAY)

### SPECIAL SUBJECTS:

1<sup>ST</sup> SPECIAL: 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY – 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY (CLOSING: 10<sup>TH</sup>  
MAY)

### MUSIC THEORY:

23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST: THEORY OF MUSIC (CLOSING: 24<sup>TH</sup>  
MAY)

THEORY OF MUSIC BOOKINGS CAN BE DONE  
ONLINE AT: [WWW.AMEBEXAMS.EDU.AU](http://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](http://www.waverleyme.com/#!about-us/cixt)

Take the Mic

[www.takethemic.com.au](http://www.takethemic.com.au)

Boroondara Eisteddfod

[www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/our-city/arts-culture/eisteddfod](http://www.boroondara.vic.gov.au/our-city/arts-culture/eisteddfod)

Manningham Eisteddfod

[www.bulleenbaptist.org.au/home/events/manningham-eisteddfod/index.html](http://www.bulleenbaptist.org.au/home/events/manningham-eisteddfod/index.html)

International Piano Festival & Competition

[www.ipfc.com.my](http://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.**

