STATE HONOURS ENSEMBLE PROGRAMME 2015 – BRISBANE

Congratulations to the following 13 students who were selected and 11 participated in the State Honours Ensemble Programme – Qld over the holidays held in Brisbane: Harrison Hooper – Trombone; Peter Fay - Trombone; Emma Wong – Violin; Leanne Chiou – Violin; Claire Moulds – Soprano; Catherine Vandeluer – Flute; Elizabeth Vandeuler – Flute; James Vandeuler – Trumpet; Lachlan Moulds – Trumpet; Zack Austin – Alto Saxophone; Sanusuka de Silva – Viola; Conor Howland.

RGS MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Music Festival will be held on Saturday October 15, 6:30 pm in the Pilbeam Theatre. Tickets are on sale online and through the box office link below. All the Music Department Primary and Secondary Ensembles will be performing as well as many talented soloists such as Emma Wong, Kole Kingston, Tess Waller, Ellie Belonogoff, Trinity Hoolihan, Banuka Ralapanawa, Zack Austin, Neeve Saw, Scarlet Rock Band to name a few.

Year 5 & 6 PRIMARY MUSIC CLASSROOM MUSIC CONCERTS

On Monday 14 and Tuesday 15 November our Music Departments Classroom Music Concerts will be held featuring our Year 5 and 6 Primary Music Programmes and what our students have been working on this year. The Concerts will be as follows:

**Tuesday 15 November:** Year 6M; 6P; 6R and Middle School/ Beginner Strings & Primary Concert Band.

**Thursday 17 November:** Primary Woodwind Ensemble; Year 5K; 5R; 5A; Beginners Primary Band and Primary Jazz Ensemble.

The Concerts will be held in the School Theatre – ILLC and will run from 6:30 – 8:00 pm each night. Free Dress is only required for the night. Students should arrive at **6 pm** to be ready to commence at 6:30.

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**String Ensemble Performance for 100th birthday**

The RGS String Ensemble under the direction of Mrs Kirrily Stewart performed a programme of music for the 100th Birthday celebrations for Lorna McDonald. The McDonald family were very appreciative of their beautiful efforts as was Lorna. Thank you for your wonderful work String Ensemble.
Australian Music Examination Board Music Performance Examinations

A big congratulation must go to the many students who have prepared diligently for their instrumental/vocal/speech examinations and passed with flying colours. Many students achieved A’s which is evidence of persistence and dedication to playing. Thank you also must go to Miss Danielle Boto who accompanied many students in these exams on piano. It is also charming to see many piano students from Mrs Mary Steer and Mrs Rhonda Hite sit their P Plate piano exams. It is excellent to get an early start with exams.

The RGS Music Council

The RGS Music Council is a group of parents and teachers that support students in the cocurricular music program at the Rockhampton Grammar School. The Music Council works in direct consultation with the Music Department to provide assistance to ensure the continuation of the rich and rewarding cocurricular music experience.

The 2016 Music Council Committee consists of:
Claire Smith (President), Philippa Flockhart (Secretary), Steve Merrick (Treasurer) and Suzanne Vandeule (Vice President).

This term the Music Council looks forward to hosting the Music Festival on Saturday, 15 October. This will be a fantastic opportunity to show case some of the School’s musical talent and socialise with the RGS music community.

The Music Council will be purchasing a kit of instruments in 2017 so that all Year 5 & 6 students will be able to take an instrument home to play on each week next year. This is a huge investment in the Instrumental Music Programme for the Primary School enabling a total of 150 year 5 & 6 students access to instruments at the very low cost of $50 for the entire year.

COMING UP TERM 4

- 12 October 9:50 am – FORMAL ASSEMBLY – String Orchestra to perform under the baton of Mrs Kirrily Stewart.
- 15 October 5:00 pm INVITED RECEPTION – Art Gallery
- 15 October 6:30 pm – MUSIC FESTIVAL – Pilbeam Theatre.
- 28 October - Sports Awards Evening – (Big Band to perform).
- 29 October – Cultural Awards Afternoon – 2:00 pm at the Spaceframe. Awards presented will be for Music Department; Optiminds; Mooting; Chess; Public Speaking and Musical.
- November 11 – Remembrance Day – School Remembers
- 13 November – Carols in the Frame – Jazz bands/Primary/Secondary Choirs to perform).
- 15 & 17 November – Primary Classroom Music Concerts – Theatre – ILLC -6:30 pm.
- 16 October – Leadership Ceremony – (Big Band to perform)
- 21 November – Year 6 Dinner –Spaceframe
- 23 November – Primary School Speech Night – (Primary Choirs, Primary Concert Band, Primary Jazz Ensemble and Secondary String Orchestra to perform).
- 24 November – Middle and Senior School Speech Night – (Symphonic Band, Big Band, Small Jazz Ensemble and Secondary Choir to perform).