



## Australian Music Schools Newsletter Term 4, 2017

**Welcome to term 4!** Hope you're ready for another big term to finish off a fabulous year of music together. Classes resume **Monday October 9** with our final lessons for the year on **Saturday December 16**. Last classes will be an 'Open Class' for families to come and see what we've been up to over the term.

We had SO MUCH FUN on **AMS CAMP 2017**. There are some lovely photos on our Facebook Page and camp families will be sent a closed link with lots more very soon. Thanks to all our campers for coming with us – woo hoo!

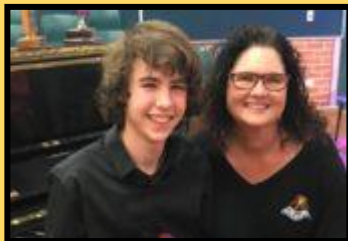


**Congratulations** to all students who performed in the **AMS PIANO EISTEDDFOD** late last term. Our adjudicators and our audience were super impressed with the very high standard and musical playing. Results for all sections are listed on the 'Events' page of our website:

<http://australianmusicschools.com.au/events-activities/>

### Special congratulations to

**Aidan Eccleshall**, winner of the 2017 Performance Award and the AMS perpetual shield. Aidan is in class with Miss Michelle (pictured) and has his private lessons with Miss Anna.



There's a Monday Night **JAZZ PIANO WORKSHOP** at Randwick this term – it starts in week 2 with 4 sessions. Open to all Spectrum & Advanced Students and Highly Recommended! All details here: <https://www.trybooking.com/RYZT>

**End of Course PIANO EXAMS** will be held during November - bookings open now! Please remember that exams often **BOOK OUT** – so please be organised to avoid disappointment. **ALL Students in Junior Book 4, Super Starter 2 & Junior Plus 2** are encouraged to do the relevant exam. All the work for these levels will be covered in class – might spark a bit of extra practice at home! (Preliminary & all grade exams are in August each year.) All details here: <https://www.trybooking.com/SDHX>

Many of our classes will also sit their **written THEORY EXAMS** this term. Most of these will be in week 8. Exams with a fee have been added to term 4 invoices. All preparation will take place in class (perhaps with a few homework sheets) and teachers will be communicating relevant information to parents and students. All the best everyone – we look forward to fantastic results!

We needed to reschedule our **Kenyan Teachers Visit** (Visa issues at their end) but they are still coming... They'll be here in November – and you can still help! Click here for more:

<https://www.trybooking.com/RFXS>

Here's a link to a **fabulous article** written by our very own Miss Samantha! It's written with Piano Teachers as the target audience but we thought it would be a great read for parents too... hope you find it helpful.

<https://blitzbooks.com/how-should-we-assess-performance/>

We often take **PHOTOS** at AMS events and we love to share them with you! We sometimes put them in our newsletter, on our website, on the AMS Instagram feed or the AMS Facebook page. We know that many of you are 'followers' and enjoy seeing our happy snaps. If you'd ever like to opt out, please get in touch.

**Congratulations Miss Elisha** – she's part of the 5 person A Capella group 'Temper' who took out the open age championships at the recent 'National A Capella Awards' in Melbourne. There's a great photo on the AMS Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/AustralianMusicSchools/>

**We are currently putting together all our new class times for 2018** and will be releasing our new times from November 1. If you know someone who is interested in starting at AMS next year, now is the time to make contact as there are already waiting lists for some classes. Our Head Teacher Lindi Greenfield will be in touch with any existing classes who will have a time or teacher change for next year.

A reminder that the **AMS YOUTUBE CHANNEL** is a fantastic resource! You can search for any of the pieces in Junior Super Starter & Junior Plus – it is a wonderful help at home. Have a look! <http://www.youtube.com/1ams11>

Wishing you a wonderful term 4,

AMS Staff.