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## Peninsula School of Music – December 2010 Newsletter

With the year coming to a close, all the teachers, staff and owners of Peninsula Music would like to wish everyone a very safe and happy Christmas and holiday break. We would like to thank everyone for their patronage and patience throughout the year.

**School Concert** – Wow, what a marathon that was! We had many comments on how much everyone has improved in the last year and the high standard of our students.

**Well done!** Congratulation to everyone who performed and many thanks to our hard working teachers and parents who made it all possible. I won't name them individually because it will take the whole page.

**Photos are available** from the Concert if you would like any copies. I will try and put them onto a digital photo frame in reception so everyone can see them. If you would like a copy of your child's photo, please bring in a memory stick and we will copy the digital photo across to the stick for you. If you would prefer to have a print done by us, please let us know. There will be a small cost to cover expenses if you want copies printed out. I think we have a fairly decent photo of all performances except for one, which is a bit dark.

Bob (one of our grand parents) took some DVD mainly of musical theatre and a couple of the bands. If you would like a copy of the DVD, please bring in a blank DVD disc and we will copy it for you. Because of copy right, we cannot charge you for this DVD and you will need to supply your own blank DVD. Thank you Bob for sharing your DVD with us.

Last week we said **farewell to Kyle**, one of our guitar teachers. It was very sad to see Kyle go and both Kyle and the school apologize for the short notice in his leaving. Kyle had a last minute opportunity to earn money doing cropping over December, January and February around the Griffith area and is planning to go back to Uni next year. He would have liked to given everyone more notice, but only had a few days to make his decision. We can expect to see Kyle in the holidays next year when he has promised to come back and visit and possibly do some workshops to say hello to everyone.

Our singing / piano teacher Emma will be leaving next week as she is due to have her baby early next year. We will be having a bit of a farewell on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec after classes for Emma to wish her well. If you would like to pop in and say goodbye to Emma, please feel free to do so around 1pm.



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Chris and Carlton have taken on extra days to fill Kyle's spots. So far, all students who have had lessons with them are very happy. Both Chris and Carlton are excellent teachers and have a lot to offer our students.

Next year we have a new teacher starting who will teach Flute and Piano. Nicole will be doing lessons on a Tuesdays and possibly one other day still to be finalised. If we get enough interest, we are looking at doing a woodwind ensemble either Tuesday or Friday evening with piano, flute, clarinet and saxophone. Nicole and our current clarinet/sax teacher Karen will be running the ensemble. Please let us know if you are interested in this ensemble.

We are currently talking to 2 new singing teachers and can hopefully organize singing times for all our singing students for next year. We will be in touch with everyone individually to confirm times and availability for next year's lessons as soon as we have set the days and teacher's times for next year.

**School Holiday workshops** will run from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2010. We will have beginner guitar, Piano, Fun with Theory, Song writing, Bands, Percussion and Rhythm, Finger Style guitar, Beginner Harmonica, Woodwind Ensemble, Air guitar, Beginner Violin, Finding a gig for your band and more..... in fact, if there is anything that you would like to do, please let us know and if we can, we will arrange it. We will have gold passes on offer if you want to do several of the workshops. You will need to book in for the workshops before the end of year as they will only run if we get sufficient numbers. You can phone us on the numbers at the bottom of this newsletter, or email us on [info@peninsulamusic.com.au](mailto:info@peninsulamusic.com.au) to let us know if you are interested.

We want to send out **newsletters** more regularly next year to keep you more up to date on what is happening at the school, but due to cost of postage and printing and because many of the newsletters don't make it home to the parents when given to the students we would like to send as many as we can by email. We need to confirm that everyone's email address is noted correctly. Please send us an email on the email address above and tell us who the student is and the preferred email address. For those who do not have email, we will still continue to do paper newsletters for you.

Please let us know if you need to change times or days for next year's lessons. Keep in mind if your son/daughter is changing schools next year, you may need to change your lesson times.

Congratulations to Elarn Kelly who passed her CPM guitar level 1 exam. Well done.

**Lessons for 2010 start back on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2010.  
Please put it on your calendars.**

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Have a safe and happy Christmas and holiday break  
See you in 2010  
Cheers to all, Marilyn and Frank Russell and  
All the teachers and staff of Peninsula School of Music