



## Newsletter | 2023 New Year

### Happy New Year!

Happy New Year to you all and I do hope that you have enjoyed a good Christmas with family and friends.

We all enjoyed a successful 2022 which ended with our very enjoyable 'End of Year Showcase'. The performances were thoroughly enjoyed by each of the audiences during the day and the evening concert was also well supported. A thank you to each of the performers who must be congratulated on their enthusiasm and commitment. A small collage of photographs are included in this newsletter. Additional photographs and videos will be added to the website at the start of Term 1.



I would also like to thank Naomi Harmer for organising a concert at the Kaiapoi Library on 2 December. It was a pleasure to join this group and the concert was enjoyed by the audience.



This is a very special year for the North Canterbury Academy of Music as we celebrate 40 years of music making. The Academy was established in 1983 by Julia Holcroft. We are looking forward to the year ahead and will celebrate the Anniversary with a second orchestral weekend on 11 & 12 August with a 40th Anniversary Gala Concert lead by members of the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra on Saturday 12 August.

Thank you to those of you who have registered for 2023, this is very helpful and much appreciated.

To all students and families, please register online (<https://ncam.ac.nz/2023-enrolment>) to secure your preferred slots in the timetable. Fees are not due until Monday 6 February.

We thank Charlie Neeson very much for her contribution to the choir over the last few years and wish her every success in the future. Jeannette McGrath will be leading the choir in 2023.

We must also thank Petra van der Velden who has accepted a full time teaching role in Christchurch for 2023. We are disappointed to lose Petra but wish her happiness in her new role. We are currently advertising for this teaching role.

I look forward to seeing you all at the start of term.

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## 2023 Key Dates

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Open Day: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 4-6pm, Rangiora Town Hall Studios

Term 1: 6 February - 6 April

Term 2: 24 April - 29 June (Catch-up week: 3 July – 6 July)

Term 3: 24 July - 28 September

Term 4: 16 October - 16 November (Catch-up week: 20 November – 23 November)



