



Newsletter | Summer Term 2023

Welcome to NCAM!

I do hope that you have all enjoyed the first week of lessons with our tutors at NCAM. I would like to thank all our parents for making the on-line registration so successful this year. Also I would like to thank you all for responding so quickly to any timetable requests and those parents who offered to be so flexible.

I am very pleased to welcome 33 new students who have joined NCAM this year. Please visit our website frequently which is updated on a regular basis and note any key dates for the year and put them in your diary.

I am also pleased to welcome Alice Kozanic who is joining NCAM as our new Piano Tutor this year and will be teaching on a Monday. I am sure that you will all make her feel at home.



This year we are celebrating the 40th Anniversary of NCAM and in August we will be presenting our Anniversary Orchestral Weekend supported by members of the CSO. This will be a unique experience and is designed for ALL members of our community, both experienced players and those in the early stages of performing. The orchestral weekend dates are Friday 11 and Saturday 12 August in the Rangiora Town Hall. If you would like to register your interest for our Orchestral Weekend please do so [here](#). It would be wonderful if we could encourage as many of our students to participate as possible.

If you have any questions or queries however small please do not hesitate to contact me. I would also be delighted to include any successes that your sons and daughters have in any of their activities in our newsletter. Please send me a photo and/or a short account of their success.

I wish you all a happy and successful 2023.

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2023 Key Dates

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)

AGM: Monday 27 March

Mid-year Concert: Saturday 17 June

Orchestral Weekend: Friday 11 & Saturday 12 August

End of Year Concert: Saturday 18 November

Group Timetable

Choir	Monday 4:45 - 5:30	Studio 1	Jeannette McGrath
Wind Ensemble	Every 2nd Wednesday	Studio 2	Reina Dornan
Cello Ensemble	Thursday 5:00 - 5:30	Studio 3	Naomi Harmer
Celtic Fiddles	Thursday 5:30 - 6:30	Studio 1	Jeremy Brownbrooke
Senior Orchestra	Thursday 6:30 - 7:45	Small Theatre	Mark Hodgkinson

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Trinity Examinations

In the December Trinity College examinations 6 students were entered. Congratulations to them all for their hard work which was rewarded by the well deserved results. I would like to thank our accompanist Jacqui Baddock for her time.

Rebekah Caldwell	Grade 5	Clarinet	Merit
Elizabeth Shore	Grade 3	Drums	Merit
Addison King	Grade 3	Violin	Merit
Tom Stiles	Grade 2	Violin	Distinction
Disas Dasanayake	Grade 2	Theory	Merit
Disas Dasanayake	Grade 1	Piano	Merit

If you are interested in taking an examination this year please talk to your tutor who will help you select the grade and examination board that are best suited to you best. Please find the links below to the Trinity and ABRSM websites which will outline examination dates and costs.

Trinity: <https://www.trinitycollege.com/local-trinity/new-zealand>

ABRSM: <https://nz.abrsm.org/en/exam-booking/exam-dates-and-fees/>

40th Anniversary Orchestral Weekend



I am very pleased to confirm that our 40th Anniversary Orchestral Weekend will take place on Friday 11 & Saturday 12 August 2023 at Rangiora Town Hall. I am delighted to again welcome to NCAM members of the CSO in 2023 who will run sectionals on both Friday and Saturday. They will perform with our orchestra on Saturday evening. I appreciate the time that is being given to us and this is an opportunity not to be missed. I would ask that all members of NCAM who play an orchestral instrument take advantage of this unique experience, whether you are a seasoned professional or just starting. **Please put this date in your diary!**



If you would like to register your interest in this event please do so **[here!](#)**