



## Newsletter | Spring 2022

### Welcome back!

Welcome back to Term 4. I do hope that you have enjoyed your holiday following a busy term.

I must thank Hannah Darroch a member of the CSO, who kindly ran a Flute Workshop on 28 July. It was another great opportunity for our flautists to gain experience and advice.



I must also thank Naomi Harmer for organising the performance at

Kaiapoi Library on 29 September. Several groups performed; Cello Ensemble lead by Naomi Harmer, Guitar Ensemble lead by Ray McMurdo, Celtic Fiddles lead by Jeremy Brownbrooke and several soloists who all enjoyed the opportunity to perform. Finally a thank you for Mark Hodgkinson who conducted our Orchestra. The orchestra played:

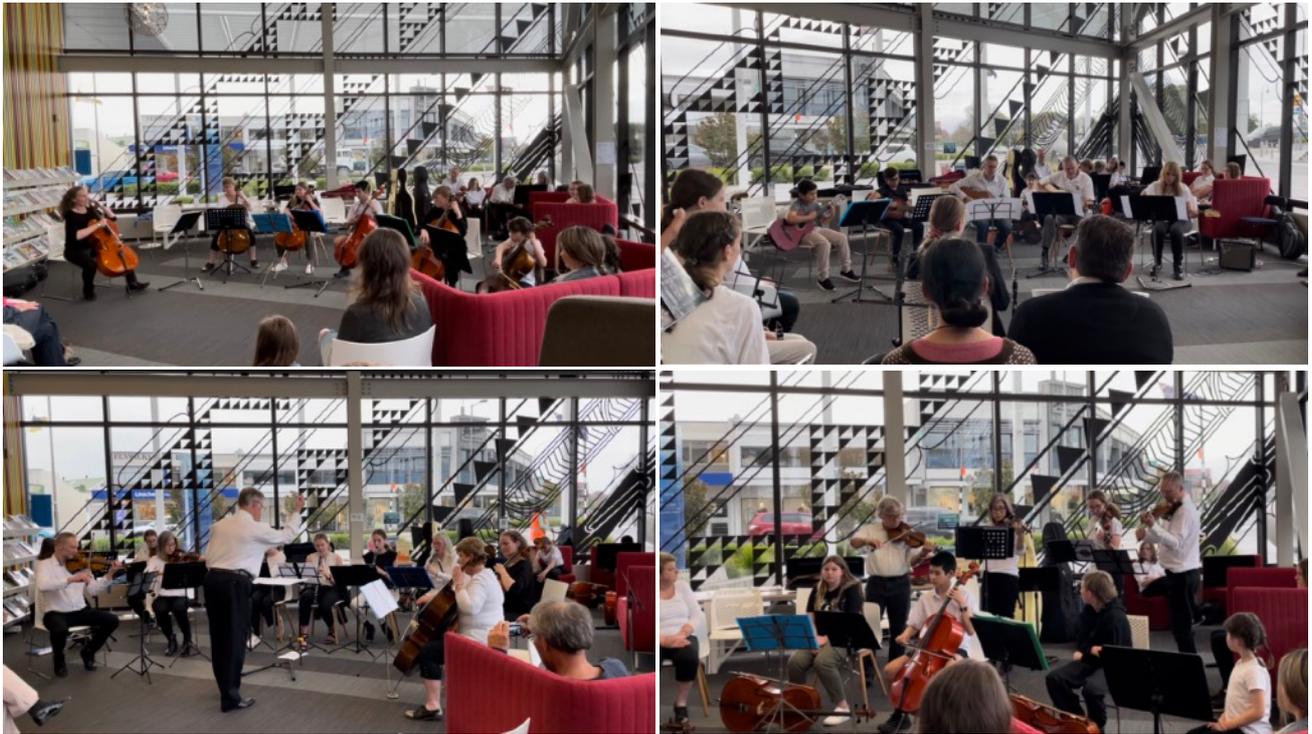
‘Winter, 1st movement’, Vivaldi

‘Overture’, Mozart

‘Barber of Seville Overture’, Rossini.

The audience was very appreciative and I have some lovely recordings and photographs that will appear on our website.





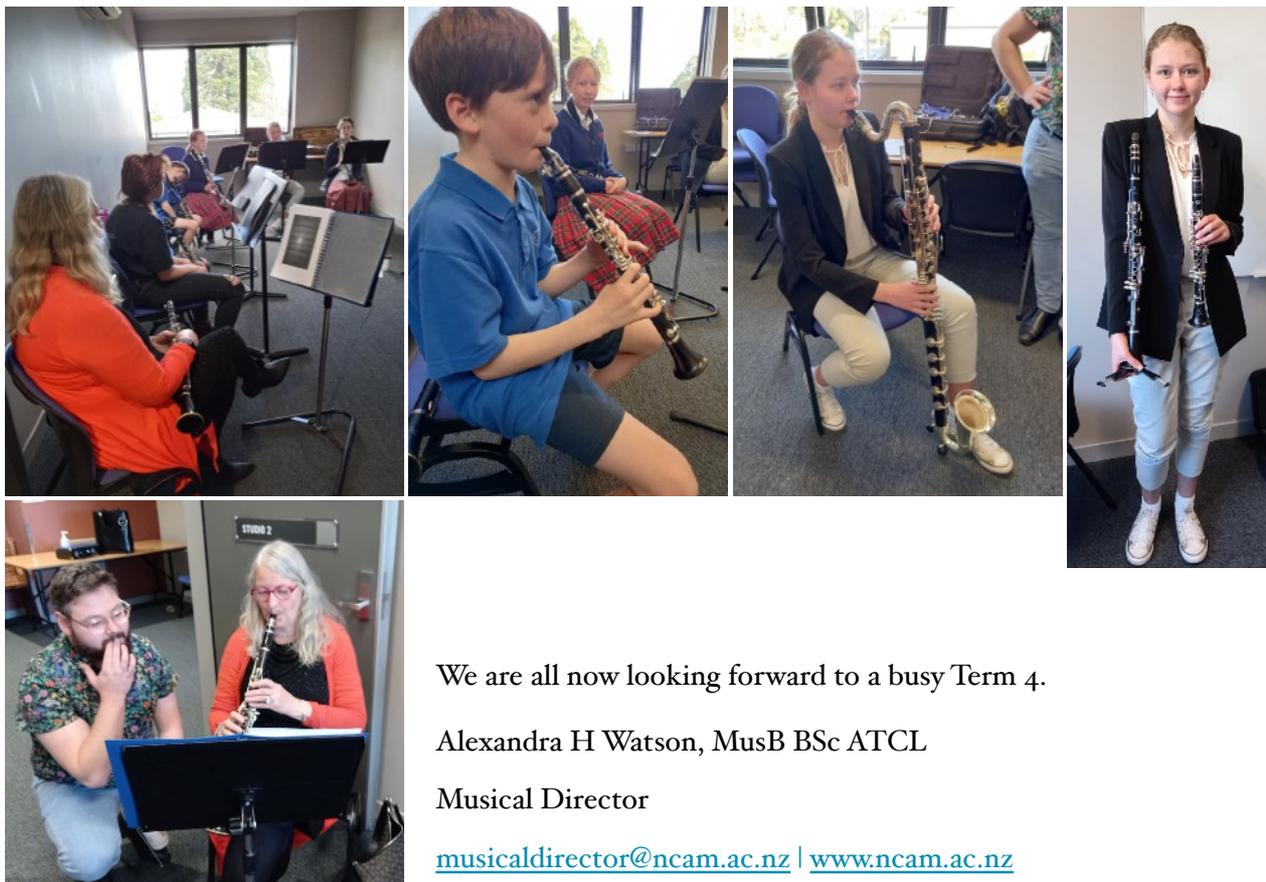
In the first half of the year Emmanuel Christian School hired our marimba's. The group performed on the marimbas at the 2022 Strum, Strike and Blow. They are very enthusiastic to play them again next year at Strum, Strike and Blow.



I must thank Reina Dornan for organising a Clarinet concert for family and friends in the Town Hall at the end of June. This was well supported and again a lovely opportunity for students to perform.

Our clarinet students enjoyed a wonderful CSO workshop with David McGregor on 14 September. This was an opportunity for each of the students to receive individual feedback from David in a relaxed, collaborative environment. Reina Dornan commented that the students appreciated David working with them covering a variety of topics, including embouchure, breathing techniques, different ways to practice scales and mouthpieces. The students were engaged and enjoyed the opportunity to play the small, high pitched Eb soprano clarinet and the bass clarinet that David brought with him.





We are all now looking forward to a busy Term 4.

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### Trinity Examinations

In the latest Trinity College examinations 7 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.

Lily Williams	Grade 6	Singing	Merit
Kate Couperus	Grade 5	Clarinet	Merit
Lincoln King	Grade 1	Clarinet	Merit
Ian Liu	Grade 1	Piano	Pass
Angela Clenshaw	Initial	Piano	Distinction
Seth Clenshaw	Initial	Piano	Merit
Ethan Hu	Initial	Piano	Pass

## Performance Day 2022

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On Saturday 26 November we hold our Performance Day for 2022. Please put this date in your diary and read the Draft Timetable below. Can I please remind you all that this year, you and your family and friends are welcome to ALL the sessions throughout the day. There are no restrictions.

10:00 - 11:30	Piano
11:45 - 12:15	Singing
12:30 - 1:15	Guitar (Classical and Rock)
14:15 - 15:15	Drums
15:30 - 16:30	Violin and Cello
16:45 - 17:30	Flute and Clarinet
18:00 - 19:30	Ensemble Concert

(Wind Ensemble, Cello Ensemble, Flute Group, Choir, Celtic Fiddles, Guitar Group, Orchestra)

## Enrolment for 2023

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This year I will be asking our current students to enrol for 2023 before the end of this term. This will give all our current students the ability to enrol for the lessons and have the opportunity to request the length of lesson and time prior to future students enrolment. Our Open Day will then run specifically for our new students. When you enrol, you will receive an invoice for the fees which will be due on 3 February 2023.

Please follow the link below to enrol now for 2023!

[NCAM Enrolment 2023](https://form.jotform.com/222811995418867) (<https://form.jotform.com/222811995418867>)



## Term Dates 2023

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**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

**Open Day:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 4-6pm

**Mid – Year Concert:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June (Main Auditorium)

**End of Year Concert:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November (Main Auditorium)

## 40th Anniversary Orchestral Weekend

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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. **Please put this date in your diary!**



NCAM Orchestral Weekend Orchestra 2021

## Group Timetable

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Choir	Monday   4:45 - 5:30	Studio 3	Charlie Neeson
Wind Ensemble	Every 2nd Wednesday   6:30 - 7:30	Studio 2	Reina Dornan
Cello Ensemble	Thursday   5:05 - 5:35	Studio 3	Naomi Harmer
Celtic Fiddles	Thursday   5:30 - 6:30	Studio 1	Jeremy Brownbrooke
Junior Orchestra	Thursday   5:45 - 6:30	Small Theatre	Mark Hodgkinson
Senior Orchestra	Thursday   6:30 - 7:45	Small Theatre	Mark Hodgkinson

# News

## Student News

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I would love to celebrate all student successes in any area of activity, not only music.

If there is any success that you would like added to the next newsletter, please let me know.