



The Muse

News from the
PNGHS Music Department

December 2017



Music Leaders 2018

We congratulate our senior students who have been appointed to the 2018 Music Leadership team.

Shannen Petersen
Marian Sun
Emily MacKay
Nicole Cheng
Amy Srichantra

Music Prefect, Arts Council & Audio Programme Leader
Programme Leader, Instrumental
Programme Leader, Vocal
Programme Leader, Volunteers
Programme Leader Music Committee; Performance Programme
Leader, String Orchestra

A final goodbye and good luck to the 2017 leaders who are leaving us – Danielle, Riley and Amy.

PNGHS Music Department Facebook page

Sign up to our PNGHS Music Fb page to keep up with the latest music news as it happens. Please encourage your friends and family to sign up too. You can find us at:

www.facebook.com/pnghsmusicdepartment/



2018 Music Events

Please check out the dates at the end of The Muse and add them **NOW** to your diary/ family calendar. More are added progressively, as opportunities become available.



High Performance Vocal 2018

Congratulations to the students selected for Cantatrices next year. They are:

Phoebe Allan, Kayla Allen, Ankita Aneesh, Katie Atkins, Jenna Borst, Lily Bourne, Eden Brown, Miriam Carr, Nicole Cheng, Gabby Clark, Harriet Cobham, Laura Dodd, Anna Dombroski, Grace Fakahau, Alanna Gray, Charleigh Griffiths, Olivia Hurnard, Mahnoor Hussain, Emma-Katte Johnstone, Enshean Lin, Grace Little, Emil Mackay,

Annabel Orwin-Higgs, CJ Pearce, Ayesha Satya, Amy-Mae Sorrell, Emma Stein, Lily Warnock, Amelia Williamson

The choir will have their first all day choral workshop at PNGHS with Dr Morag Atchison on **Saturday 3rd March.**

Choir Accompanist

We have a vacancy for a choir accompanist next year. It may be possible to share the role between two students. Contact Miss Joe if you are interested. Accompanists belong to our High Performance programme.

Music Success Stories

- Emma Stein, Violin, Grade 7 (Distinction)
- Elizabeth MacKay, Clarinet, Grade 3 (Distinction)
- Kelsey Osborne, Clarinet, Grade 3, (Distinction)
- Olivia Foote, Clarinet, Grade 1 (Merit)
- Congratulations to the following students who have auditioned successfully for the NZ Secondary Schools' Symphony Orchestra in 2018:
 - Enshean Lin (violin)
 - Ayoung Cho (cello)
 - CJ Pearce (cello)
 - Marian Sun (flute)
 - Amy Srichantra (violin)



The Stomach Experience – Alyssa Toland

At the start of the term I applied for a recording scholarship at The Stomach. When I applied I was not expecting to get it, and when I did I was ecstatic. I worked with Nigel (the sound engineer), at The Stomach on my three covers which were the pieces I nominated to record in my application. When I arrived I was given a brief tour of the building before I got set up.

It took me a while to get used to the equipment around me, but it wasn't long before I couldn't stop smiling in between songs. It was honestly so much fun, and I would 100% encourage anyone who has the opportunity to take it. I finished recording, Nigel fiddled with the recordings and I walked out with copies of my recordings and a smile on my face!

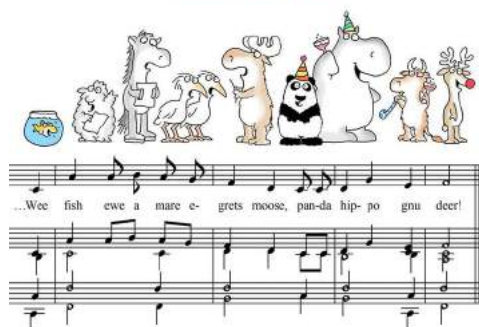


Pianists – Grade 7 or higher

Would you like to learn how to accompany a large adult choir - and get a small payment for doing so? The Palmerston North Choral Society is looking for a new 'student accompanist' for 2018. This person is expected to attend rehearsals every Monday evening and to sit with Mrs Smith - the regular accompanist. They then practise some of the music and accompany the choir when they can. if you are interested ask Mrs Smith at m.smith@pnghs.school.nz

Wee Fish Ewe a Mare Egrets Moose

Traditional Carol (sort of)



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2018 Performance Programme

We expect to offer a wide range of music groups in 2018 (see grid). You can follow the progression from entry level to high performance for each instrument. Some rehearsals (eg. Cantatrices, Jazz Band) commence in week 1 and the rest in week 2.

	Singing Programme	Contemporary Programme	Instrumental Programme				All Programmes
	Voice	Voice & Instrumental	Woodwind & Brass (& Bass)	Orchestral Strings	Guitar & Bass	Drums	Pianists
Entry level Ensembles	Zing (all-comers choir)	Not applicable	Training Orchestra	Training Orchestra (Y1)	Guitar Orchestra	Percussion Ensemble (Y1)	Training Orchestra & Percussion Ensemble
Developmental Ensembles	Voices Rechoired (Juniors) & A Cappella	Rock Group	Concert Band & Flute Choir & Chamber Group	Training Orchestra (Y2+ of lessons) & Chamber Group	Guitar Ensemble & Concert Band (Bass)	Percussion Ensemble (Y2+ of lessons) & Concert Band	Concert Band & Rock Group & Chamber Group
High Performance Ensembles	Cantatrices Choir	Rock Band	Jazz Band & Chamber Music	String Orchestra & Chamber Music	Chamber Music & Jazz Band	Chamber Music & Jazz Band	Jazz Band & Rock Band & Chamber Music & Choir Accompanist

NZSO Student Club

Open to all full time students, you can join the club to receive special offers, opportunities to see/hear the orchestra and receive free tickets and e-programmes. Find out more here.

<https://www.nzso.co.nz/learning-and-connecting/learning/nzso-student-club/>



New Gear

We have purchased a new drum kit for studio one. This kit is suitable for all types of drumming and is a little smaller in size so it is easier to transport and move for performances. We have kept part of the old kit so that two drummers can each have a kit during a drum lesson.

Farewell to Mr Whittaker – 38 years at PNGHS

The staff had their opportunity to say goodbye to Mr Whittaker this week. As part of the farewell Miss Joe, Mrs Hunter and Ms Carter played a violin piece as a tribute.

We are replacing him with three people - Miss Joe, who has a performance degree in violin, will teach violin/ viola, Mr Boniface will direct The Hit Squad (percussion ensemble) and Mrs Wallace will conduct Training Orchestra.

Audio Class Recording of String Orchestra

Enjoy the recording the audio class made of String Orchestra, in HC1, early this term. Great playing by SO and great mixing by the audio class!

Listen *Georgia* and *Selection from La La Land* here:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1WNVOSqaxdBnQDXf_tdINv0dSEFw2z6Wl?usp=sharing



Merry Christmas!

Enjoy the Pentatonix singing *Silent Night*, the most recorded Xmas song in modern times.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sme8N2pzRx8>

Your Music Leaders for 2018

You can contact any of the leaders on their school email addresses. They are happy to answer questions related to our music programmes or to help you individually.

Music Prefect

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Programme Music Leaders

Nicole Cheng	nicoleche@pnghs.school.nz	Volunteers
Marian Sun	mariansun@pnghs.school.nz	Instrumental
Emily MacKay	emilymac@pnghs.school.nz	Vocal
Amy Srichantra	amysri@pnghs.school.nz	Music Committee

Performance Music Leader

Amy Srichantra amysri@pnghs.school.nz String Orchestra

The Muse

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Music Calendar

Concerts, trips, workshops, playouts and music events are regularly added to the calendar throughout the year.

January

31 Cantatrices, first rehearsal, Music Room, after school

February

5 Instrument lessons start; most choirs and instrument ensembles commence

5 Year 9 Music Expo, form time/ interval, Huia Centre

9 Brass Scholarship applications for Y9-Y11, close 8.45am

13 Last day for voice/ instrument lesson applications, 3.30pm

March

3 Vocal Workshop for Cantatrices, Dr Morag Atchison, PNGHS, all day

April

10 PNGHS Vocal Competition, Huia Centre, 7pm

May

8 *Fine Tuning* Choir Workshop, Christine Argyle with Cantatrices, PNGHS

mid Chamber Music Workshops

18 SFRQ Heats, Globe, 4pm+

June

2 Manawatu High Schools' Jazz Competition, Regent, all day and evening concert

7 NZCT Chamber Music Contest, Speirs Centre, 4pm+

8 SFRQ, Regional Finals, Globe, 7pm

13 The Big Sing, Regent, day competition and evening Gala Concert

Late Festival of Bands: Concert Band & Jazz Band, Civic Centre, Feilding, daytime

August

11 IRMT Chamber Music Competition, Huia Centre, all day

30 Music Showcase 1 & 2, Huia Centre, 4pm & 7pm TBC, (or 27th Sept)

30+ TBS Finale, Wellington

September

4 PNGHS Piano Competition, Huia Centre, 7pm

27 Music Showcase 1 & 2, Huia Centre, 4pm & 7pm, TBC, (or 30th Aug)

October

25 Arts Prize Giving, Huia Centre, 7pm

30 Sports Prize Giving, Regent, 7pm

November

5 Senior Prize Giving, Regent, 7pm

December

12 Junior Prize Givings, am