

Music Musings

IMPORTANT DATES {Correct at the time of printing}

TERM 4

Wednesday 16th November IMSS Parent Information Evening

Wednesday 23rd November GBM Sundowner/Junior Concert **Musical Musings Term 4**

Wow! What a whirlwind term this has been. We have hit the ground running with an event happening almost every week since Week 2. The Senior Band and Jazz 1 farewelled the BSHS students at their Presentation evening and although I was really disappointed not to be able to be there in person, we have an incredible team of GBM teachers who were keen to step up and help out. Mr David Parkinson, Mrs Danielle Parkinson and Mr James Kiely all put their hands up to step in and take the reins for this event.

In Week 3, we farewelled our Year 12s at the Senior Concert. This was a great night where we could showcase our Senior Ensembles and celebrate students who have committed to the GBM programme through until the end of Year 12. This year we had a combination of ATAR and PIMS students and it was great to be able to acknowledge James Anderson, Taylor Carter, Ryan Deas and Seb Wind. I would also like to acknowledge the work done by Sam May (Percussion) who was unable to attend the Senior Concert.

Week 5 saw us welcome all of the GBM primary school students to BSHS for our annual Primary Workshop. We had over 100 students involved, including the Senior Band students, and welcomed many parents for the concert at the end of the day. It was all hands on deck for students and staff as the older students mentored their younger counterparts. The day was hugely successful and has inspired many of the primary students to join in with the Junior Band that rehearses at Cape Nat College with Mr Parkinson on Wednesday mornings. A big shout-out needs to go to Mrs Coralie Wind, Samantha and Jason, for catering the sausage sizzle for the hungry hordes! Dave and Dani Parkinson, and Joh Nordstrom did a fantastic job of putting the students through their paces. Thanks also to James Kiely and Kerry La Motte for their work in putting together such a successful event.

We have our GBM IMSS Parent Information Evening in Week 6 where we are expecting parents of Year 4 students from each of our feeder primary students, and those of potential Year 7 beginners. This will be an evening to outline the requirements for the IMSS programme from primary through to high school. There will also be an open rehearsal of the Senior Band for these parents to watch so that they can see where their kids can end up. This evening will be hosted by Danielle Parkinson with all other IMSS staff in attendance to answer questions.

Our last official GBM event will be the Sundowner in Week 7 at Cape Naturaliste College. This will showcase all of our lower school ensembles at an outdoor event. When we consider that at the start of the year, most of these rehearsals were shut down for Term 1 due to COVID restrictions, they have done a magnificent job to create what promises to be a varied and thoroughly enjoyable concert. The parent committee will be providing food for sale and there will also be a raffle with some spectacular prizes (no baked beans from the back of the cupboard!). It would be great to see lots of people there and it usually proves to be a great evening.

I hope the end of term is smooth for everyone and we will be back in touch before the end of term for a final newsletter. Brad Oversby HOLA - GBM



FACEBOOK GROUP

We encourage everyone to become a member of the Facebook Group.

This is a closed group, all posts will only be seen by people who are members of the group. We understand not everyone is on Facebook or has it available, all important information will be sent to parents via email, Facebook is more of a Forum and is an effective communication tool for the group particularly as we cover seven schools. It is a great point of contact when it comes to last minute changes, reminders and also sharing the successes that GBM achieve throughout the year

Please search 'Geographe Bay Music Support Group' on Facebook.

Photos—throughout the year we will post photos of students who are performing at various events on this page. Please be reminded that only people who are members will be able to see these photos, and we will not use names of students. If you do not wish you child's photo to be on the page, please let me know at kerry.lamotte@education.wa.edu.au, thank you.

UNIFORMS

GBM Polo Shirts are an essential part of our GBM Uniform and is available to purchase through Uniform Concepts for \$28 at the address below:

Uniform Concepts

Address:	33 Bussell Hwy, Busselton (Opposite the old Retravision store)	
Opening Hours:	Tuesday to Thursday 9am—5pm	
	and Saturday 9am—12pm	
Email:	busselton@uc.nellgray.com.au	
Website:	nellgray.com.au	

GBM SUPPORT GROUP

This year's GBM calendar has been very manageable for our support group.

Due to some of our long-time members stepping down for various reasons, **the following positions are now open to join GBMSG**

Vice Chairperson – Duties; assisting Chairperson and chair meetings if required.

Treasurer –Duties; following practices already put in place for fundraising activities,
provide profit/loss reports for meetings, end of year audit prep.

Secretary — Duties; minute taking and keeping up with any correspondence that may come in The roles that are still current and the members you will be working with are:

Chairperson - Coralie Wind

Uniform – Nicole Carter

Please be assured, support will be given to the new people stepping into each role. If you are interested in any of the above positions, or would like to discuss them further, please contact the Support Group as soon as possible at: <u>geographebaymusicsg@gmail.com</u>

REHEARSAL TIMES

Rehearsals are a compulsory part of being in the instrumental music program. If you are unable to make rehearsals please contact the appropriate Ensemble Director. Please see Parent Handbook for contact details.

Rehearsal times are as follows:

Tuesday:	7.30am — 8.30am —	- GBM Jazz Band I BSHS PAC	(Brad Oversby)
Wednesday	/: 7.30am — 8.30am -	– GBM Junior Conce CNC PAC	
	7.30am — 8.30am —	- GBM Jazz Band 2 CNC upstairs	(Brad Oversby)
	3.15pm — 5.00pm —	- GBM Senior Concer BSHS PAC	rt Band (Brad Oversby)
Thursday:	7.30am — 8.30am —	- GBM Intermediate (BSHS PAC	
	7.30am — 8.30am —	- GBM Contemporary BSHS Perc. Rm	•
	7.30am — 8.30am –	- GBM Classical Guit CNC PAC	t ar Ensemble (Fiona Lemon)

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- It is essential all **Permission Forms** for any event are returned to administration as soon as possible or at the very latest by the 'Due By' date. It is essential we get forms in by the given date so we can check off required information and documentation for the event, allowing for smooth processing of paperwork.
- If you would like to be a member of the Support Group, you may still do so without having to take on a leadership position. It is a great way to be able to contribute to GBM in a capacity that is highly valued by the staff and students of the programme.
- GBM requires volunteers from time to time. We can not run Fundraising events without your help. If you can spare an hour or even half hour when required, this helps events run smoothly and also takes the pressure off the same parents who tend to volunteer every time.
- The next and final event for the year that requires helpers, is the upcoming GBM Sundowner being held Wednesday, 23rd November at CNC. Please contact the Support Group at <u>geographebaymusicsg@gmail.com</u> if you can offer some time over the course of the evening.

GBM SENIOR BAND CONCERT

On Wednesday, 26th October, the members of the Senior Band, Jazz Band 1 as well as the Upper School ATAR students, presented a Seniors' Concert at Cape Naturaliste College. This was a lovely celebration of the Year 12 students in the programme, who have now left us to start their new ventures in life.





GBM PRIMARY WORKSHOP

As part of the schools' instrumental programme, we held a combined workshop for all our primary school instrumental music students on Wednesday, 9th November. The aim of the workshop was to introduce our younger students to the band programme and foster peer-group support and musical standards through rehearsal and performance. This was the first opportunity for our year five students to be involved in a large group performance.

The instrumental teachers ran the workshop with upper school students assisting in small groups. A short concert was held for parent/carers of the students involved. All students played exceptionally well with great performances at the end of the day.



































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