

# NVHS BAND NEWSLETTER

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Hi Everyone,

There are a few changes to the band timetable for the next two terms which we have had to make to accommodate new students and room changes. A copy of this timetable is attached. Each student will get a laminated timetable posted home.

We are looking for new students to learn flutes, clarinets and percussion/drums. If you have any friends or know of anyone let us know. It does not matter whether they are in year 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10.

We would like to welcome the new year 6 students to the orientation programme. I am sure that the students will all look after them and make them feel welcome. Many of you will remember what a daunting time it was when you started year 7.

A very big thank you to Roger for researching and organising the band timetable calendar for the website which will save a lot of time with events. Some students do not have internet access so notes will come home for those students, Please sms or phone me acceptance or rejecting events so I can add them to the calendar. A medical form for the year will be posted home shortly.

Some may look at the dates months away and think they can answer them closer to the time but I would ask that you reply to them asap as I have to ascertain whether we have enough students to honour those commitments pretty well as soon as I place them on the website. This also stops reminders being sent to you. Each students password and log in is on the bottom of this newsletter.

On the timetable you will notice the stage/jazz band on a Monday morning. This will be open to all students in the school and will be by audition only, However, instrumentalists will have to be a member of the concert band. Bass Guitar, vocalists, piano etc. (instruments not in the concert band) will be charged differently. Band members would pay \$2.00 per week and there would be no group tutorials. If you are interested a sign up sheet will be near the music staffroom or email me. You will then be given an audition piece to learn.

The Queensland Tour will have to be changed to accommodate the students attending. Originally there were 22 going but this has now changed to 18. Details of the changes will be sent home early in the term.

The students have been asked to tour New Zealand and South Korea in 2008/09. Details of these tours will be put to a committee meeting early next term for discussion.

An up to date contact list is also being posted home. This can be useful when needing car pooling etc. This list is obviously confidential and should only be used for band purposes. An internet/advertising form is also enclosed. Whilst the school has one we are also doing one for the band website, newspapers etc.