

## News

Welcome to the 13th edition of Music Matters.

On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May, five students from the Music in Focus program attended this year's WACE Performance Rehearsal Day. The Rehearsal Day was held at Churchlands Senior High School and it was an excellent opportunity for our students to perform an exam piece in front of an audience. They were grouped into sessions based on their instruments, so they got to see the pieces and at what level students who are studying Stage 2 and 3 Music in Western Australia are performing. Each student received verbal and written feedback by experienced adjudicators on the day and all performed well.

This Term, the Variety Show was held in the Carly Smith Studio over three nights. Monday 24<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June saw a repeat show, which featured performances from Dance, Drama and Music students. For the first time, Melville's Classical Guitar Ensemble and the West Australian Mandolin Orchestra (WAMO) performed a work together on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. The two groups rehearsed Suite No 2, Movements 1, 2 and 3 by Konrad Wölki separately

throughout the year. The students heard the piece in its' entirety when they attended a joined rehearsal with WAMO a week before the Variety Show performance. Apart from having an opportunity to play with an established group consisting mainly of adults, this rehearsal was particularly interesting to the students, as many have never heard mandolins or mandolas being played in their presence before. The orchestra has been in existence for 30 years and consists of approximately 30 musicians who play mandolins, mandolas, guitars and bass guitars. The students thoroughly enjoyed performing with the orchestra. Thank you to the students who performed, students who had roles on and off stage, Music Support Group parents, staff (in particular Paul Hines, Elizabeth Houwen, Lloyd Greenland and Simon Thompson) and to all the parents, family and friends who came to watch the show. With your help we managed to raise \$1690 and all of the proceeds this year will go towards the Music Tour.

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July, approximately 65 primary school students came to Melville SHS to take part in a School of Instrumental Music workshop. Year 6 and 7 students who play

flute, clarinet, brass or percussion in the instrumental program at their primary school were given the opportunity to come to Melville SHS in order to participate in a large ensemble. Experienced SIM teachers who work in the local area and are specialists in their instruments ran the workshops and parents were treated to a performance at the end of the day.



SIM Primary Band Workshop

Melville SHS students start Term 3 on 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Students going on the Music Tour to Melbourne start a day earlier. 35 students and four staff will be at Perth Domestic Airport bright and early on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 6am. Whilst in Melbourne, students will take part in intensive rehearsals in preparation for the upcoming SIM festivals, they will perform, watch a live show and explore the city, visiting museums, art galleries and lane ways. More to come in the next issue!

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## SIM Festivals 2013

The School of Instrumental Music festivals will be held at the following times this year:

**Western Australian Schools' Jazz Festival**  
Band: **Swing Band**

Date: Sunday 11th August 2013, 3pm  
Venue: John Septimus Roe Anglican Community School, Performing Arts Centre

**Western Australian Schools' Concert Band Festival**  
Band: **Intermediate Concert Band**

Date: Saturday 17th August, 10:15am  
Band: **Senior Concert Band**  
Date: Saturday 17 August, 11:55am  
Venue: Churchlands Senior High School, Concert Hall

**WA Classical Guitar Ensemble Festival**  
Ensemble: **Classical Guitar Ensemble**  
Date: Saturday 24 August, 12:10pm  
Venue: Carine Senior High School, Performing Arts Centre

Come down and support our young musicians!

## Commendations

Students are mentioned for positive contributions towards the Music Program. This may be demonstrated through their work in class, during SIM lessons, at performances or in ensemble rehearsals.

Congratulations to:

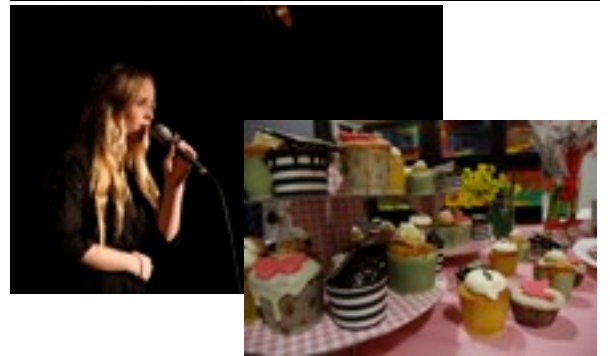
Matthew Murphy - Yr 8  
Jane Song - Yr 9  
Trevor Torelli - Yr 10  
Oliver Richards - Yr 11  
Abigail Cocken - Yr 12

# Music Matters

## Teacher Bio

Paul Hines began studying guitar at the age of 10 at Bicton Primary School and continued his studies at Melville SHS, graduating in the Class of 98. He then studied Classical guitar at the University of WA graduating with a Bachelor of Music Education. Since beginning teaching in 2004, he has taught in both remote communities and metropolitan schools and now works for the School of Instrumental Music, teaching classical guitar full time. Paul has played in several bands on the local music scene and currently plays guitar in the original doo-wop pop and soul group "Boom! Bap! Pow!". Paul is also attending this year's Music Tour to Melbourne.

## Variety Show Photos



More photos are available for viewing by visiting *Melville SHS Performing Arts* Facebook page.

## Upcoming Events in 2013

- **Music Tour** - 22nd-26th July
- **Term 3 commences** - 23rd July
- **School of Instrumental Music Festivals** - September
- **MSG Meeting** - 3rd September, 4pm
- **Soloist Night** - 9th September, 7pm
- **WACE Practical Exams** - commence 27th September



## Attendances

Students and all Melville SHS teachers have been provided with all instrumental timetables.

Please note that lessons are scheduled to rotate each week so students don't miss the same class each week. Students need to check their lesson times **each**

**week**. Students are also responsible for reminding their classroom teachers of classes they will miss to ensure that they don't miss out on assessments or other important information.

## Ensemble Rehearsal Times

Attendance to ensemble rehearsal have been increasingly sporadic this term. Students are reminded to be punctual to EVERY rehearsal, ready to play.

**Ensemble Rehearsal times are as follows:**

**Swing Band** - Monday 3:15-4:15pm

**Intermediate Concert Band** - Tuesday 3:15-4:15pm

**Senior Concert Band** - Wednesday 3:15-4:30pm

**Classical Guitar Ensemble** - Thursday 3-4pm

**Vocal Ensemble** - Friday 7:50-8:30am