

ARTS ACADEMY PRO ARTE ALPHEN PARK NEWSLETTER
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DEAR ARTS ACADEMY MUSIC LEARNERS AND PARENTS

Another year has passed and we want to thank all our Parents and Music Learners for their loyal support during the year. Our Arts Academy teachers have worked hard to get the Music Reports ready, and we hope you have all received yours.

As always, the standard of playing and Music Theory has been very high and the reports reflect the hard work that has been done. All teachers are united in their opinion that the learners have made a special effort to practise hard for their exams despite the school exams.

We can look back on a highly successful musical year. There have been outstanding events like our Arts Festival and Prize Giving Evening where trophies were awarded to winners. Unfortunately not all results of external music exams like Unisa, Trinity or Royal Schools have been received yet.

Therefore we will send a Newsletter early in 2016 with these results.

We want to wish everybody a wonderful summer holiday, a Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2016.

Schools start on the 11 of January for the teachers and our music lessons start on the 13th of January. All classes stay the same unless you want to change the time table to fit in with the new school year program.

Best Wishes

Kobus Groenewald

Baie geluk aan Menieke Steenkamp

Dux Leerling 2015



Ek wens graag aan al my studente en ouers 'n Geseënde Kerstyd en 'n baie voorspoedige en musieklike 2016 toe.

Dit was vir my 'n groot voorreg om soveel talentvolle studente op 'n weeklikse basis te sien en tyd saam te spandeer.

Isabelle van Rensburg

Liewe ouers en leerlinge.

Ek kan kwalik glo die jaar het so vinnig verby gegaan. So glo ek wel dat dit met elkeen se eksamen voor die wind gegaan het.

Hierdie was vir my n goeie musiekjaar. Elke leerling het hom/haarself uitmuntend met die Kunsfees gehandhaaf asook met ons afsluitingskonsert. Dit raak nou vir my n uitdaging om opwindende ensemble komposisies te kry!!

Soos julle weet is harde werk en dan die beloning wat volg iets wat mens opbou en so leer jy ook jouself ken en ontdek jy jou eie vermoëns. Ek kan met eerlikheid sê dat julle almal is kinders met die mooiste potensiaal!

Hiermee wil ek ook vir die gr11 leerlinge sê....Jy het hierdie jaar met baie trane en spanning deurloop, maar glo my, volgende jaar is nie erger nie. Hierdie jaar het jou gereed gemaak vir die laaste pylvak. Jy is amper daar....ongelooflik né?!

My gebed vir jou is 'n wonderlike Kersvakansie en mag julle almal met groot ywer terug kom.

Seënwense
Annelien du Plessis

Ek persoonlik het hierdie jaar as 'n hoë impak-jaar beleef.

Baie dankie aan al my leerlinge en veral die ouers vir jul geduld en samewerking.

Sommige ouers was 'n absolute inspirasie vir my en hul kinders.

Die fluit ensemble het in besonder goed presteer en het 'n identiteit van hul eie gevestig.

Daar is 16 Leerlinge vir UNISA Eksamens ingeskryf. Dit het gewissel van Graad 1 tot Graad 6. Geluk aan almal met jul verskeie prestasies asook die van die Musiek Akademie se Kunswedstryd.

Ek is vreeslik trots op julle.

Geseënde Kersfees.
Denise van Dyk – Fluit, Klavier, Teorie Juffrou



WHEN SHOULD CHILDREN START WITH MUSIC THEORY?

Best answer: as soon as possible. An early start ensures that your child learns many of the skills required in formal music lessons before he/she is actually confronted with them e.g. large and small muscle development and listening skills. In 2016 we will be introducing a new preparatory theory and music skills class that focusses specifically on the development of skills like sight singing, rhythmic comprehension and ensemble playing. In addition to these, children expand their aural abilities and are introduced to abstract concepts like dynamics and the perception of pitch, texture, form and timbre. Best of all, we explore all these concepts through play and discovery.

These classes are geared towards children aged approximately 6-8 years old who have just started an instrument or are planning to start in the near future. The class will also introduce a number of the instruments available here at Pro Arté and therefore allow your child to discover for him/herself which instruments suit their temperament best.

INTRODUCING AN ADULT MUSIC SKILLS SHORT COURSE FOR "BEGINNER" MUSIC PARENTS

The benefits of parent involvement and support in the study of music, especially with young children, cannot be stressed enough. However, new parents frequently feel at sea with all the new concepts, skills and challenges their children are confronted with. How is one supposed to support and help a child when the material resembles a combination of Greek and nuclear physics? This short course takes place over the course of a weekend and aims to equip parents with all the basic knowledge necessary for supporting children taking their first steps into the wonderful and exciting world of music making. In addition you can expect frequent opportunities to participate in practical musicianship days hosted all over Pretoria and Centurion throughout the year.

More information to follow in the new year.

Friederike Scholtz : Viool & Altviool en Voorbereidende Musiekklassie (Preparatory Music Classes)

Klassieke Kitaar Uitslae/ Prestasies 2015 - Charl Lamprecht

Lisa-Kate Heslop : Aangewys as algehele wenner by die Kitaarafdeling van Pretoria Eisteddfod.

Nicola Steidler: Aangewys as beste Laerskool deelnemer by die Pretoria Eisteddfod (Kitaar)

Trinity College of London Eksamen Uitslae 2015 – Charl Lamprecht

Nicola Steidler & Alrich Smit: Slaag beide INITIAL met meriete

Yerang Oh: Passed Grade 2 with Distinction

Lisa-Kate Heslop: Slaag Graad 8 Kitaar practise met meriete

