NEUTRAL BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM
2015
BENEFITS

• Exciting time for the children
• Effective way of learning to play an instrument in a rewarding environment
• Provides children with an opportunity to experience teamwork through music
• Builds their self-confidence and musical skills
• Provides them with the opportunity to represent their school
OUR BANDS

• 160 children across three bands in 2014

• Junior Band - no experience required

• Senior and Concert Bands are for more experienced musicians

• Auditions held at the beginning of each year to place children in the band best suited to their ability

• Audition requirements are on the website
THE COMMITMENTS

MUSIC FROM THE ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK
COMMITMENTS

• Time
• Family support
• Financial
• Band Camp
COMMITMENTS

• Year long commitment
• Commitment for parents and child
• Attending rehearsals on time
• Encouraging regular practice at home
• Being involved as a parent volunteer at regular rehearsals, camp and workshop
BAND FEES

• Band program is fully self-funded
• Band fees for 2015 will be $540
• Fees cover costs of conductors, band camp, including tuition and venue etc
• due on 20 February 2015
• or $400 on 20 February and $140 by 15 May
• also consider cost of weekly tutorials
BAND CAMP

• Compulsory
• 27-29 March 2015 at Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation, Narrabeen
• Only one night for Junior Band - 28 March
• Band workshop 3 May 2015
REHEARSALS

• Each band rehearses twice a week, one morning before school and one lunchtime

• Junior Band rehearses on Monday mornings at 7.45am and Wednesday lunchtimes at 11.10am

• First rehearsal is on Wednesday 4 February 2015 in Week 2

• We have a parent roster for supervision

• Bring instrument and music. Children must still attend even if they forget instrument
PEFORMANCES

• Each band performs publicly
• School events such as assemblies, Grandfriends Day, Education Week
• Concert at the end of Band Camp
• External Competitions such as Sydney Eisteddfod and NSW Band Festival
• End of Year Band Concert
• Community Events
WHAT NEXT?

• Hand in Band Declaration Forms
• Source instrument
• Tutorials
CONTACT DETAILS

• Overall Co-ordinators

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