

NEWSLETTER

CONCERT BAND EXCURSION REVIEW BY MEGAN HOLMES

On Friday the 8th of August, Concert Band students and Society Vocal Ensemble embarked on a wondrous journey through the life, and mysterious disappearance, of Edwin Drood.

We started the day with a fun train ride to Flagstaff, where we sat and chatted with the many other music lovers, sharing exciting feelings about seeing the musical. We then travelled to Australian Institute of Music, a creative and optimistic university which housed the most talented musicians and actors. Many of the students, including myself, were entranced by the beautiful and harmonic duo, 'The Hollows', bringing me almost to tears!



Then it was time for the musical, (bang!) "The Mystery (bang, bang!) of Edwin Drood!" This musical was one of a kind, the actors were not only extremely talented, but also charismatic, confident, and brilliant improvisers! To be able to interact with the audience, while honouring Charles Dickens, was astonishing and overall impressive. Talking to many of my close friends, we were all kept on our toes wondering what would happen next!

The overall experience of Friday was something I'll never forget. Having the opportunities given to us by Ms Kelly and the community abroad is an experience of a lifetime and I, along with the music community at Sunshine College, will be forever grateful for everything that comes our way!

A big thank you to Ms Kelly, Ms Haugh, and the team at AIM for making this day happen!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

GHILBI TO GAMING FREE CONCERT

SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2.30PM

MADD DAY OUT #4

FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER 4-6.30PM

CONCERT BAND PRIMARY SCHOOL TOUR
5TH & 6TH NOVEMBER



GHIBLI TO GAMING GIG



A number of our Concert Band students took up the call to join the outreach programme at Westgate Concert Band and are busy rehearsing for their fun performance in September entitled **Ghibli to Gaming**.

Studio Ghibli, computer games, movies and more - discover a new world of music at the **Ghibli to Gaming** concert, and support our young musicians as they get a taste for community music.

Free entry thanks to the Maribyrnong City Council Grants Program.

- **Saturday 6 September 2025**
- **2:30 pm 4:30 pm**

Maribyrnong Community Centre
9 Randall Street, Maribyrnong,
VIC, 3032

Good luck to all the Sunshine College students involved!

MAY PERFORMANCE



Somewhat belatedly, we would like to congratulate all the students involved in our spectacular performance back in May.

Our Junior Band rose to the challenge of playing their first ever gig in style. They all looked like seasoned professionals on the stage! We can't wait to hear their progress at the next performance at MADD DAY OUT.

The Senior Band continue to impress with their playing, with science teacher Mr Paul Beavis commenting: "I thought the performers were particularly outstanding in Holst's Jupiter". He also mentioned how wonderful it was to see so many supportive parents in the audience which we also echo. Thank you for all your support.



THINKING ABOUT BUYING YOUR OWN INSTRUMENT?



There is a huge difference between an Aldi trumpet and a proper instrument! **Please always consult a music teacher before making any purchase**, new or second hand, so we can help you choose something that will play well, last for years, and hold its value.

We have partnered with Fine Music who have set up a web page just for us to help with new purchases. <https://finemusiconline.com.au/schools/SunshineCollege>