

Welcome to 2019, I hope you have all had an enjoyable festive season, and are getting the chance to relax in the sun. Thank you all for your support during 2018 - congratulations on your successes, of which we are really proud to be a part.

## NCEA

Congratulations to all those students who have achieved NCEA credits over the past year, we are really pleased with the number of students who have taken up this opportunity and with the quality of the playing. As required by NZQA, the entrant has to submit two performances for the NCEA level 3 assessment. The first of these is the examination itself, the other must be submitted electronically. These can either be emailed to [office@nzmeb.org](mailto:office@nzmeb.org) or sent on a memory stick to the PO Box. Please make sure you keep a copy of your recordings on your own device when you send it to us.

## Fee Payments

We appreciate your efforts to get your entries in on time, it makes our organisation so much easier. Some of our teachers find it easier to set their own entry date, a couple of weeks before the 'real' date to ensure the money has been received in time. I have attached a letter that you may choose to give your parents to help this process, which is also on the website.

## Musical Knowledge

One of the strengths of our system is the breadth of our syllabuses. Our students have the opportunity to play a great variety of music in their exams, and develop their knowledge in many directions. Luckily our examiners are hugely knowledgeable and love a good discussion! The parameters for the questions they will ask are set out in the syllabus, but are deliberately broad to allow for the range of music that is performed, and to cater for the individuality of the entrants. It may take the form of a conversation rather than a question and answer session, as the examiner responds to the entrant's performance.

## Website

We endeavour to keep our website as up to date as possible, and part of that is our "Frequently Asked Questions" (FAQ) section. Please make this your first port of call if you have a query of any kind. Our administrator will address any issues outside of these, you can contact her by email ([office@nzmeb.org](mailto:office@nzmeb.org)) or on 0800 388748. If you leave a message, she will get back to you as soon as she has an answer.

## Music Works Vouchers

We are extremely grateful to Music Works for their support of our successful entrants, who will receive with their certificates a discount voucher for the purchase of a new Yamaha instrument. The voucher is valid for 1 calendar year.



## 2019 Fees

### Practical Examinations

Pre-Preliminary test	\$95.00
Preliminary test	\$110.00
Grade One	\$130.00
Grade Two	\$150.00
Grade Three	\$155.00
Grade Four	\$185.00
Assessment levels 1 & 2	\$150.00
Grade Six	\$230.00
Assessment levels 3 to 6	\$260.00
Grade Seven	\$255.00
Grade Eight	\$285.00
Performance Certificate	\$320.00
Diploma AMusNZ	\$755.00
Diploma LMusNZ	\$855.00

### Theory Examinations

Grade One	\$95.00
Grade Two	\$110.00
Grade Three	\$120.00
Grade Four	\$135.00
Grade Five	\$145.00
Grade Six	\$150.00

### Chamber Music Examinations (fees per entrant)

Level One	\$50.00
Level Two	\$60.00
Level Three	\$70.00
Level Four	\$80.00

## 2019 Dates

### Practical Examinations

Session	Session Dates
Session 1:	Aug 1 - Aug 31
Session 2:	Dec 1- Dec 20

### Closing Date

Saturday April 13
Saturday September 21



### Theory Examinations

Session 1;	Saturday May 4	Saturday March 21
Session 2:	Saturday Nov 2	Saturday September 7

Dear Parent

\_\_\_\_\_ has been working hard and it is now time to enter for his/her Grade \_\_\_\_\_ practical/theory exam. Please forward the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to me by \_\_\_\_\_ so we can complete the entry process with NZMEB. You may send the money to your child's lesson in a sealed envelope with the full name, date of birth and grade on it. Alternatively you may pay by direct credit to my bank account no..... Please quote your child's name, date of birth and grade no..

We are delighted to remind you that successful entrants in the practical examinations will be given a discount voucher to purchase a new Yamaha instrument at MusicWorks shops throughout New Zealand.

Kind regards,

