Dear Parents / Carers,

As supporters of the Band Program, we are keen to provide opportunities for our bands to develop their skills and to perform to different audiences.

When each band has a repertoire to showcase, there will be chances to perform at school.

Other external opportunities to perform are very hard to find. Generally they are not during the school week. We are aware that it can be difficult for students to attend out-of-school-hours events.

We do have a few dates, some on weekends, which we would like you to put into diaries now. Hopefully, if we provide you with lots of notice for these events, we will have a high level of attendance. This is so important to ensure the best sound for our bands.

- **Open Rehearsal - Tuesday 5 April** – 8.00am
  Come and see the Training Band in action

- **Whole School Assembly - Thursday 7 April** – 2.20pm
  Celebrate the end of Term 1 by enjoying music by the Performance Band and Concert band

- **Ryde East Festival - Sunday 29 May** – Time TBA
  This year we will be joining the very popular band festival hosted at Ryde East Public School. This will involve the Performance Band.

- **North Ryde Public School Band Workshops – Tuesday 26 April – Term 2 Pupil Free Day**
  Having a special school day just for the band students has been a wonderful experience for the last two years. The students will have intensive tutorial and band time, as well as enjoy the bonding time with their peers.
    - 12.00-2.00pm Training Band
    - 2.00-4.00pm Concert Band and Performance Band.

- **Key Music Charity Concert – Sunday 23 October** – Time TBA
  Training Band, Concert Band and Performance Band will take to the stage at this concert of bands from several schools in northern Sydney. Students have really enjoyed this experience for the last two years.

We look forward to these events and to your support.

NRPS Band Committee