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Piano Bursary for Uganda

Since the last concert, the piano bursary fund for the Kampala Music School stands at £160.

Due to a technical hitch, the live webcast of the last concert didn't quite work as expected, with only a very low quality audio stream being broadcast. However the concert was well attended, raised more money for KMS than expected and produced some great piano performances.

Summer Concert

The next concert will take place at All Saint's, Hoole on Saturday 27th June at 2pm. Again it should last no more than 45 minutes but this time we are hoping to have a special guest to who will be singing and talking to us about the Kampala Music School.

Piano Points

The piano points reward system has been running for over a term now. It has proved to be a good motivator for many students as I have seen evidence of more practice taking place as a result. Winners have already been published on the blog m.whay.me

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All of the news items featured in this newsletter have previously been published on the blog as they happen however I will continue to distribute this termly communication to my students and their parents in paper format for the foreseeable future.

Teaching Calendar

If you want to check whether there will be piano lessons in your school on a particular day then it is now possible to view my piano teaching schedule online. Go to pts.whay.me
I may be extending this to cover lessons outside schools in the near future though for obvious reasons, the public calendar would contain only very basic details.

Festivals update

A number of students took part in the Wirral Festival back in January. While none of my students took away any cups, the competition was intense and feedback rewarding.

Fees increase

It is almost two years since I last reviewed my fee structure so I have decided that from September I will be increasing the 'studio' fee from £22 to £24/hour and the 'home visits' rate from £27 to £28.50/hour.

Lonely Little Piano

I mentioned this book in last October's newsletter (Issue 6). It is still available, priced £4.99 direct from the publisher lulu.com. Now in second edition, it has a more attractive cover including my endorsement on the back!?

NOTICES

EXAM RESULTS 2009:

- *Well done to Sophie and Louise for doing well in their Grade 1 exams.*
- *Good luck to those taking piano and jazz piano exams in July. Exam dates and times should be known by the second week of June.*

Have a good summer but don't forget to keep up the practice otherwise it is harder to get back into the routine again.

Most lessons will start again in the first week of September. Check my online calendar pts.whay.me for lesson dates in your school.

Forthcoming events this term

Chester Cathedral Choir
By Kind permission of their Graces the Duke and Duchess of Westminster.

Fundraising concert for forthcoming Paris Tour

Tuesday 9th June 1930
in Chapel and Long Room at Eaton Park.

Tickets £15 01244683678

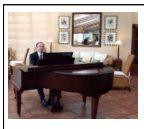
Cathedral Nave Choir

With the 18th Century Orchestra performing Vivaldi Gloria at Chester Cathedral

Saturday 13th June 1930
Tickets£10 01244500959

Belshazzar's Feast
at Chester Cathedral opening the Chester Summer Music Festival. Chester Bach Singers and the Cathedral Choir join Chetham's Symphony Orchestra and Chorus celebrating their 40th year.

Thursday 2nd July 1930
Tickets £15 08452417868



Enrich your special day with live piano music!

I can set the tone of your event with a blend of classical and smooth jazz tunes. No piano at available at the venue, no problem!

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