Alison Gracia will be taking over from Nicole Macnicol as Band Coordinator this term. Nicole has been in the role for 6 years and we thank Nicole for all her efforts during this time.

As of $6^{\text {th }}$ June 2023, there are 180 students enrolled in the Band Program:
Training Band - 56
Intermediate Band - 43
Concert Band - 35

Performance Band - 46
Band fees have risen slightly this year due to a rise in tutor fees for sectional rehearsals which have not increased in several years and also an increase in maintenance costs for our hireable instruments.

Band Camp in May was very successful however there was an increase in fees here too, due to the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation wanting to charge for a three day/two night camp and no option for a one night stay. With this in mind we are currently exploring other options for Band Camp next year and will keep you posted.

It is now concert season and all bands performed at the Northern Beaches Music Festival last week. The Performance Band performed at this morning's Kindy Orientation and they have also auditioned for various performances including ones at the Opera House, Primary Proms and the Arts Unit via video for which we awaiting the outcome.

At present, the next scheduled performances for all bands will be at the Australian Schools Band Festival at UNSW on Sunday $3^{\text {rd }}$ September.

