



BAND JAM IS BACK

On Thursday 29 August, members of our Intermediate and Senior Concert Bands visited Oran Park Anglican College to participate in the Band Jam event.

Band Jam is a combined schools event that provides an excellent opportunity for student musicians from various schools to connect and work together towards improving their performance and ensemble skills under the direction of a professional guest conductor.

This year, the Band Jam 'mega concert band' consisted of students from Thomas Hassall, Oran Park, and Broughton Anglican Colleges. It was a fantastic day, and our guest conductor Gerald Steinmann did a fantastic job at teaching the students three brand new pieces of music, as well as new ways to think about and approach music. The students sight-read very well, and put on a spectacular concert that evening to showcase the new material they had learnt throughout the day.





Students also enjoyed some social time together at break times throughout the day, and a delicious BBQ dinner hosted by Oran Park. The Year 4 Band Program at Oran Park were also fortunate to witness some of the band rehearsals, which is a great insight as to what is possible for them in years to come.

Thank you to all those students that participated, and to all the parents for supporting their children and attending the event concert. We also thank all those staff involved to make this event a success. We're very happy to have Band Jam back, and look forward to the next one!

Mr Byron Mark
Director of Ensembles