

The quarterly newsletter for Einsteinz Music families

December 2007

THANK YOU to all staff, parents and children for your support in 2007. It has been the best year ever for Einsteinz Music!

We have 37 classes weekly in 9 different venues, run by 8 amazing teachers and attended by 390 students! We are looking forward to an incredible 2008 with new venues opening.

Before Term 1, 2008 starts we have 2 exciting activities: The end of year **Big Class** and a series of **Holiday classes**.

RE-ENROLMENTS

Our classes are extremely popular, and people are enrolling earlier than ever. Therefore, we have altered our enrolment policy to give priority places to our currently enrolled students.

Your place in the same venue, class and time will be held for you until the 12th December. Please ensure you re-enrol for Term 1, 2008 and pay for your place by this date. During this time we will also take requests from current enrolments to change venue, class or time.

After this date, places will be given on a first-come-first-served basis.

To re-enrol for Term 1, 2008:

- call Robyn on 9343 0333,
- send an sms to 0418 687731 with your child's name and requested Term 1 class, or
- Email info@einsteinzmusic.com.au

IMPORTANT DATES

- ✓ **Term 4 ends:** Saturday 22 December. *If you require a make-up class, please do so immediately. Call 9343 0333 for options.*
- ✓ **Priority enrolment deadline** is 12 December to secure your place in the current venue, class and time. Requests to change venue, class or time taken by this date too.
- ✓ **\$10 Re-enrolling discount** booking and payment deadline is 22 December for those currently enrolled in Term 4 classes.
- ✓ **End of Year 'Big Class':** Saturday 15 December.
- ✓ **Term 1, 2008 dates:** Friday 1 February – Saturday 12 April. Term 1, 2008 timetable available on the Enrolment Form or at www.einsteinzmusic.com.au

BIG CLASS

It is like a ROCK CONCERT FOR KIDS! Einsteinz Music's version of an end of year concert, the **Big Class**, is an interactive class, on a huge scale. There is a full band (our very own teachers who are all professional musicians!) This is the chance to sing the songs you have learnt this year and have a big drum jam session.

Date: **Saturday 15 Dec**

Time: **10:30 start**

Venue: **Top Hall, All Soul's Anglican Church, Marion St, Leichhardt,** (nearest cross street is Norton St.)

Metered parking available in surrounding streets or at Coles car park on Norton Street).

The Hall is not air-conditioned so please dress children in light clothes and bring drinks.

Tickets: On sale at door. **Individual tickets are \$6 per person**, (adult or child – siblings under 6 months free) OR **\$20 Special Family ticket** (for 2 adults and 2 children).

Everyone is welcome – Students currently enrolled, previous students, parents, grandparents, siblings, carers, family and friends.

HOLIDAY CLASSES

- ♪ Fun, hands-on, entertaining & educational classes!
- ♪ Classes run by professional musicians!
- ♪ Children play all the percussion instruments!
- ♪ All music is live (nothing pre-recorded).
- ♪ Siblings welcome at same class.
- ♪ \$15 per class/ \$12 for sibling (siblings under 6 months free).
- ♪ **Advance bookings are essential** on 9343 0333.

Bondi: Studio 2, Bondi Pavilion, Bondi Beach (beach parking or metre parking at Campbell Pde car park, opp. Swiss Grand)

Friday	11 Jan 1030 - 1115
Monday	14 Jan 1030 - 1115
Friday	18 Jan 1030 - 1115
Monday	21 Jan 1030 - 1115

Leichhardt: Lower Hall, All Souls Anglican Church, Marion St, near the corner of Norton St, Leichhardt. (walk down non-vehicular access laneway)

Thursday	10 Jan 1030 - 1115
Tuesday	15 Jan 1030 - 1115
Thursday	17 Jan 1030 - 1115
Tuesday	22 Jan 1030 - 1115

The following article is an edited version of a blog written by Sacha Molitorisz on the Sydney Morning Herald website and has been reproduced with the kind permission of the author. Sacha and Jo have been bringing their daughter Edie to Einsteinz Music classes this term.

A FAN IS BORN

As a music fan who writes the occasional gig review, I've seen a lot of concerts.

But in all my years of flirting with tinnitus and nursing the injury sustained in my one-and-only stage-dive (Ratcat, Phoenician Club, 1992), I've never seen a gig like the one I saw one recent Wednesday. Perhaps that's because I had never previously seen a gig at 10.30 in the morning. Perhaps it was because this was an intimate show for a crowd of only 20, all of us seated on a small rug. Or perhaps it was because half the audience was pygmy-sized and had attention spans to match.

Like Madonna and Prince, the artist was known by just one name: Jules. During the concert, her fans - some longtime adorers, others recent converts - would say her name repeatedly, sometimes in a whisper, sometimes in a frenzied yelp.

You've never heard of her? Jules is a teacher with Einsteinz Music, who run "a carefully developed music program designed for children as well as their mums and dads".

That's in their words. In my words, Einsteinz is playing with fire, inviting little ones into a small room and encouraging them to make as much noise as they please. And here we were, joining in.

Like me, Jo is a music nerd. Both of us have been eager to introduce Edie to music as early as possible.

What Jo and I are really keen on, is that Edie gets that same joy from music that we do.

We paid \$190 for 10 Einsteinz music classes, which are held at various venues in Sydney. (There are plenty of other options, but this is one Jo hit upon after doing some research.) For the first class, both Jo and I went with Edie, all three of us a little apprehensive and unsure.

Which was needless. A blonde with a gentle manner, Jules, it quickly became obvious, is a great teacher of kids. She welcomed back all those who had attended previous classes and then introduced herself to the newbies, including us. Looking around the Coogee Seniors' Centre (an ironic venue, no?), I saw 10 ankle-biters and their mums/nannies. I was the only male taller than three feet. Some mums had two kids to wrangle; one was breastfeeding a newborn while encouraging her toddler to participate.

The first song was a catchy little number in which the toddlers were asked to clap along and slap their thighs. "Hello, Sam, hello, Sam, it is nice to see you ..." Edie was more interested in watching than participating, and this didn't change for the entire class. One song involved the kids counting to 12; in another each kid had clap sticks; for a third everyone had a drum. For the 45 minutes of the class, Edie remained reasonably attentive - apart from the two or three times she bolted for the door. Fortunately, each time she stopped, paused, then returned to the mat.

The songs included *The Banana Boat Song* and *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*; and Jo said she could pick the newcomers from those who'd been before. "The ones who've been before can clap in time with the music," Jo said.

In the second class, Edie became much more involved, singing and clapping and drumming with the songs that were becoming familiar. Two days ago, at the third class, I could even see the beginnings of a sense of rhythm. At the end of the class, Edie gave Jules a big hug. Jules, a woman known to her parents as Julie-Ann, had herself another pygmy-sized fan.

P.S. In response to a reader's comment, the author would like it known that he has no connection with or interest in the music school mentioned above.

Posted by **Sacha Molitorisz**

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To read the blog in its entirety, please visit <http://blogs.smh.com.au/lifestyle/whosyourdaddy/>

STORE DISCOUNTS

The quality toy, baby and book stores listed below are kindly offering Einsteinz Music families a 10% discount in their stores, upon presentation of this newsletter:

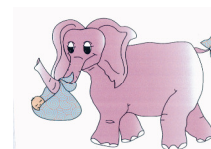


Red Rocket Toy Store

674 New South Road, Rose Bay
Discount excludes sale or already-reduced items or electronic products.



211 Clovelly Road, Clovelly.
Discount applies to books only.



Dunnikins

Shop 2, 63/13 Ernest St, Crows Nest. *Discount excludes sale items.*



Shop 3/ 109 Norton Street in Leichhardt. *Discounts apply to full priced toys, apparel and bed linen.*