TWO ORCHESTRAS - ONE JUPITER

Music lovers flocked to the Good Shepherd Lutheran College Centre on Sunday 17 October for a performance by the combined Good Shepherd Lutheran College Orchestra and the Noosa Orchestra, conducted by Mr. Antoni Bonetti. The concert featured Gustav Holst’s creation “Jupiter” taken from “The Planet Suite” written circa 1915.

The concert featured additional pieces, including works from Mozart, Schubert and Bizet. The Noosa String Ensemble, a group of junior string players, also entertained the audience with a number of pieces by Keith Sharp.

The Good Shepherd Lutheran College orchestra members were very fortunate to have the opportunity to play alongside the talented Noosa Orchestra. The large audience wasn’t afraid to show its support and enjoy a fantastic afternoon of music written by all.

Head of Music at Good Shepherd, Mrs. Helali Woodruff said, “It is inspiring to see how much musical talent Noosa holds, and it is tremendously exciting to see the future of our music programs in these younger players.”

As always, these events are the culmination of much behind the scenes work by both the organisers, Mrs. Helali Woodruff and Mr. Antoni Bonetti, and of course the talented musicians who put in many hours of practice to bring their music to life.

If you would like to know more about the Noosa Orchestra or Noosa String Ensemble visit their website www.noosaorchestra.com

GSIC STUDENTS BRIGHTEN CHRISTMAS FOR THOSE IN NEED

The students of Good Shepherd Lutheran College have recently worked with the Noosa Corps of the Salvation Army to help families within the local community heading into this festive season. As part of the College’s Pastoral Care program, Year 12 students from the Community Senior Leader Group have instigated a new opportunity for the College community to make a difference to the lives of needy families in the Noosa area this Christmas.

Each Pastoral Care group in the Secondary campus, of which there are 24 mixed-age groups, “adopted” a person for whom they put together a Christmas gift package. This exercise has given Good Shepherd students the opportunity to not only reflect on how fortunate they are in being able to look forward to celebrating a joyous Christmas, but also to actively demonstrate the Christian spirit of giving in a meaningful way.

Chief Officer of the Salvation Army's Noosa Corps, Captain Neville Hall, expressed gratitude to the Good Shepherd students and their families for their kind gesture of assistance. "This was a massive effort on the part of..."