



Central Queensland MUSIC THERAPY

Newsletter December 2025

Updated Holiday Closure Dates

Jess is now **available in week 10** for participants who would like to book one more session before the holidays. Thank you to those who have already confirmed their appointment.

Jess' last day: Friday the 12th of December 2025 (week 10 of term 4)

Sessions resume: Monday the 12th of January 2026 (2 weeks prior to school starting)

Term 1 starts: Tuesday the 27th of January 2026 (Monday the 26th is a public holiday)

For participants who are **yet to confirm** when they will be **resuming** sessions **next year**, please **get in touch** as soon as possible. Jess will be contactable by email and mobile over the holidays, although responses may be delayed.

NDIS Consultation – Provide your Input

Following the Duckett review of Art and Music Therapy in the **NDIS**, an Evidence Advisory Committee (EAC) has been formed to assess and provide **further information** about the safety, effectiveness and quality of supports funded by the NDIS, including **music therapy**.

The EAC is asking **participants, families, carers, therapists, and researchers** who currently access, or have previously accessed music therapy, to provide feedback about:

- **who** uses or might use the support
- **how** and **why** people use the support
- other supports people may use to seek **similar outcomes**

The music therapy community has **advocated to remain funded** by the NDIS, and is now asking for further support. It is particularly important to highlight that music therapy is accessed, and should **remain accessible**, in **regional** and **rural** towns. As such, we would highly appreciate if you could take the time to give your input via the EAC **survey**. The consultation **closes** on the **20th of January 2026**.

Visit their [website](#) for more information about the consultation. Scroll down to the **blue box** for **instructions** on how to **complete the survey**.

Guitar Repairs and Guitars for Sale

Rob Hopkins, who you may know from the Gladstone Ukulele Group, offers **guitar repairs** and **maintenance** services. From restringing and cleaning, to body and hardware repairs, Rob is the man to call for your instrument upkeep needs.

Rob also **refurbishes** unwanted **guitars** to resell for **affordable prices**. If you are thinking about learning guitar, or need gift ideas for your child for the upcoming holidays, a **quality second-hand guitar** could be just what you're looking for.

For more information, contact **Rob** on 0414 982 318

Thank you!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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