



John Wollaston
ANGLICAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL



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**INSTRUMENTAL
and
VOCAL TUITION**

**ENROLMENT
INFORMATION**

BRIGHT FUTURES



The Arts Learning Area offers a wide range of Instrumental and Vocal Tuition with lessons being conducted by visiting specialist tutors.

Tuition is offered for the following:

- Cello ■ Clarinet ■ Drums/Percussion ■ Euphonium ■ Flute ■ Guitar (Acoustic, Bass, Electric) ■ Piano ■ Saxophone ■ Trombone ■ Trumpet ■ Viola ■ Violin ■ Vocal

Please note that music theory is a component of all music lessons at the School.

No student may commence tuition unless an Enrolment Form has been received by the Music Co-ordinator.

Instrumental and Vocal Fees

Tuition is offered on an individual basis for nine lessons per term.

<u>Individual</u>	20 mins	30mins	40mins
Per term:	\$207.00 (\$23 p/l)	\$288.00 (\$32 p/l)	\$369.00 (\$41 p/l)

Shared lessons may be negotiated with the tutor and are offered only at the tutor's discretion. Shared lessons are NOT available for piano and drums.

<u>Shared 30 mins</u>	Group of 2	Group of 3
Per term:	\$144.00 (\$16 p/l)	\$96 (\$10.66 p/l)

Instrumental fees will be charged to your term account and must be paid within two weeks of the commencement of each term, unless other arrangements have been made with the School's Business Manager.

Optional Ensemble Fees

Students have the opportunity to develop additional skills by joining a school ensemble. Ensembles are conducted by a specialist tutor and will run during lunch time. Ensemble day depends on tutor availability. Fees are as follows:

	30mins
Per term:	\$36.00 (\$4 p/w)

Ensembles require a minimum of 8 students.

Instrument Requirements

Students enrolling in instrumental tuition must have a functioning instrument. Instruments (excluding piano/keyboard and drums) and other equipment (e.g. drumsticks) must be brought to every lesson.

If students fail to bring their instruments to school, they are still required to attend their lesson. Theory and aural exercises will replace the normal tuition. Music books and music diaries must also be brought to every lesson.



Piano/keyboard students are required to have their own instrument at home.

Instrument Hire

A number of instruments including guitar, euphonium, clarinet, saxophone, flute, trumpet and trombone are available to hire from the School. External instrument hire can also be arranged.

Instruments at School

It is essential that all instruments are **clearly labelled** with the name of the student and are kept in an appropriate instrument case. A lockable case is preferred. Please note that the School takes no responsibility for any instrument left at the School. Instruments kept in the VMAC building are to be collected at the end of each day (before 3:15pm).



Timetabling

Timetables are displayed on The Arts Bulletin Board, outside the VMAC Office.

The majority of instrumental lessons will be held during school hours. There will be limited places offered outside of school hours dependent on the music tutor's availability. Lessons are on a **ROTATING** timetable to prevent students missing out on the same subjects each week. However, there is the option for students to secure a regular time each week with the tutor after discussion with their teacher. *It is highly advisable that where practicable, students in Years 11 and 12 have lessons outside class times.*

It is recommended that students who learn two or more instruments have only one music lesson during class time.

Missed Lessons and Non-attendance

Lessons will be made up if missed, on the condition that **24 hours** notice is given (for appointments, school excursions, etc). If 24 hours notice is not given, the missed lesson will be charged.

In the event of unforeseen circumstances (e.g. illness on the day of the lesson), you must notify the **TUTOR (not the School)** by 7.00am (on his/her mobile phone or by email). All students will be given their tutor's telephone number and email. It is the responsibility of the student/parent to reschedule the lesson with the tutor if reasonable.

If a tutor is unable to give a lesson, he/she will reschedule an alternate lesson at a mutually convenient time (or if not possible, there will be no charge for that week).

Shared and Group lessons cannot be made up. If a student is missing, the lesson still has to take place and will be charged for. Please take this into account if choosing group lessons.

Lessons missed by students for no reason will be charged. Parents will be contacted by the Music Co-ordinator after two missed lessons.

Withdrawal from Tuition Lessons

One term (nine weeks) notice in writing to the Head of The Arts is required from the student's parent to withdraw from instrumental tuition. If a student stops attending lessons, the remainder of the nine weeks' notice period will be charged for.

School Band

Students who have some technical command of their instrument are encouraged to ask to join the school Intermediate Band or Senior Band. These groups are available at no charge to the student. Contact the Music Co-ordinator for more details.

External Examinations and Competitive Festivals

We encourage students to enter external examinations and competitions once students have reached the required standard (as determined by their music tutor). The costs of these are to be borne by the parent and any additional lessons required will be added to your school account.

Parent Assistance

Many parents enquire about how they can encourage their child with his/her musical studies. Parent involvement is vital to the student's attitude and progress. Even if you have limited music knowledge, you can help in several ways.

The most important of these is to organise a regular practice routine. Preferably at a set time each day, five days per week. The amount of practice required will vary. Generally, 20-40 minutes per practice session is advised for the first and second years of learning. More advanced students will be advised by their tutor.

