



John Wollaston
ANGLICAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Instrumental and Vocal Tuition Enrolment Information

2021



Learning an Instrument

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

Tuition is offered for the following (subject to availability of tutors):

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

No student may commence tuition unless a **2021 Enrolment Form** has been received by the Music Coordinator.

Instrumental and Vocal Fees

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

Individual	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. Lessons can be shared only if the student knows of somebody with whom they can share. Shared lessons are NOT available for piano and drums.

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

Instrumental fees will be charged annually and must be paid within two weeks of the commencement of the year, unless other arrangements have been made with the Business Manager.

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, violin, cello, clarinet, saxophone, flute, trumpet and trombone can be hired from the School (pending availability). 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 subject each week. However, there is the option for students to secure the same time each week with the tutor after discussion with their teacher. It is preferable for students in Years 11 and 12 to 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 may 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 (by email or mobile phone if available). All parents will be given their tutor's email. It is the responsibility of the student/parent to reschedule the lesson with the tutor.

If a tutor is unable to give a lesson, he/she will endeavour to reschedule an alternate lesson at a mutually convenient time. If it is 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 Coordinator after two missed lessons.

Withdrawal from Tuition Lessons

One term's notice in writing to the Head of The Arts is required from a parent to withdraw their child from instrumental tuition.

If a student ceases to attend lessons, the remainder of the nine weeks' notice period will be charged.



External Examinations and Competitive Festivals

We encourage students to enter external examinations and competitions once they have reached the required standard (as determined by their music tutor). The costs of these are to be borne by the parent. 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, 15-30 minutes per practice session is advised for the first and second years of learning. More advanced students will be advised by their tutor as to practice requirements.



Enquiries

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