

Instrumental Music Program

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Mother Teresa Catholic College is proud to offer a comprehensive range of music tuition. Students enrolled in the Instrumental Music Program receive lessons from a suitably experienced music tutor provided as part of the co-curricular program at the College.

The College has the following recommendations for which instruments and at what year level they should be started. These are based on the physical abilities of students being able to reach, hold and maintain control over the specific instruments.

Year 2 and above - Piano, Drums/Percussion, Guitar

Year 3 and above - Violin

Year 4 and above - Cello, Voice

Year 5 and above - Double Bass, Classical Guitar, Flute, Clarinet, Brass (Mixed)

Year 7 to 10 and above - Oboe, Bassoon, French Horn, Saxophone

Students receive one (non-refundable) 30-minute lesson per week. Lessons will provided appropriately in advance which can be viewed by parents, students and teachers.

#### **TYPES OF LESSONS**

**SHARED**: Two (2) students per lesson. This option is subject to having enough students to be paired together.

**PRIVATE**: One on one lessons with the Music Tutor. This is an opportunity for students to progress quickly with their chosen instrument.

# **ATTENDING LESSONS**

Students will not be timetabled during assessments, tests, Liturgies or Mass. They are to notify Mr Lambert (Arts Administrator) at least 24 hours in advance to allow lessons to be re-scheduled.

Tutors will collect students in Years 2 and 3 for all lessons. Tutors will attempt to collect Primary School students from Years 4-6 for their lessons if they fail to arrive at the appointed time. We encourage the Upper Primary students to independently make their way to their music lesson at the appointed time. This reduces the risk of missing part of their lesson if the tutor is needing to collect them.

It is the responsibility of the Secondary School students to remember their scheduled lessons, and therefore tutors will not be required to collect Secondary School students if they fail to attend a lesson. Secondary School students are required to advise their subject teacher prior to their lessons that they will be leaving the class to attend music tuition.

Students should excuse themselves 5 minutes prior to their lesson and go directly to The Arts building. At the conclusion of the lesson, students are to return directly to class.

#### **ABSENCES**

Advance notice of at least 24 hours must be given for a lesson to be re-scheduled if an absence is known to be occurring. Please advise Mr Lambert at Jon.Lambert@cewa.edu.au of any upcoming absences.

If the student is unable to attend their lesson due to illness or unexpected circumstances, The Arts department must be notified by 7.30am. If a timely notification is made, either a credit or a lesson in lieu will be given (Jon.Lambert@cewa.edu.au). Lessons missed without prior notification will not be rescheduled and the student will be charged for the lesson.

If a tutor is absent, notification will be sent as soon as practicable. Again, either a credit or a lesson in lieu will be given.

# **ACCOUNTS**

Instrumental tuition fees will be invoiced by the Finance Department. Failure to pay music fees by the due date will result in the student being withdrawn from the program.

Students should expect to receive 32 x 30 minute lessons per year. Where lesson amounts are not met, parents will receive a refund or a credit to tuition at the end of the year.

The cost for lessons will be as follows:

**SHARED**: \$25.00 PER LESSON **PRIVATE**: \$40.00 PER LESSON













# WITHDRAWING FROM THE PROGRAM

Should a student wish to withdraw from the Music Program for any reason, they must give at least 4 weeks notice in writing to the Arts Administrator: Jon.Lambert@cewa.edu.au.

# **ENSEMBLE PROGRAMS**

The College offers a large number of ensembles. Students undertaking instrumental/vocal lessons are strongly encouraged to become involved in at least one of these ensembles and attend weekly rehearsals and events as required. There is no cost associated with being involved in ensembles. Students who learn an instrument outside of the College are also welcome to join an ensemble.

#### **APPLY VIA OUR WEBSITE**

www.motherteresa.wa.edu.au

# **MUSIC TUITION FAQS**

#### Q: Why is The College moving away from Keyed Up Music?

**A:** With The College growing, we feel now is the perfect time to take more ownership of our music programs and provide a more extensive hands on approach for our students. With the school in the driver's seat, we can focus more on your child's needs and help them grow.

#### Q: What time will the lessons be?

**A:** The majority of Music Tuition will be conducted during school hours on a rotating roster, this is so we can minimise the disruption to students and their academic studies. There will be a limited number of before and after school classes, these will be reserved for students in Years 11 and 12. Students will not be rostered for a Music Tuition class during electives or specialists classes. Each lesson will be 30 minutes in length.

#### Q: Will you have the same Tutors as Keyed Up Music?

**A:** While we will now be employing our own College tutors, we are hoping that some familiar faces will be coming on board to be a part of our team.

#### Q: Which instruments can I play at what year level?

**A:** The College has the following recommendations for which instruments and at what year level they should be started. These are based on the physical abilities of students being able to reach, hold and maintain control over the specific instruments.

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#### Q: What Instruments are the College offering?

**A:** The College will be offering the above instruments, but if you have any others you would be interested in learning, let us know and we will see what we can do.

#### Q: Will the College supply an instrument for my child?

**A:** Unfortunately at this time, the College does not have the resources to supply all students with a personal instrument. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to obtain an instrument for their child at the commencement of instruction. We can suggest the following places to hire instruments; *MUSICORP.COM.AU* or *POLYGONGROUP.COM.AU* 

### Q: Are there any Scholarships or Bursaries available for the Music Tuition Course?

**A:** Yes there are! If you would like more information please visit our website www.motherteresa.wa.edu.au

#### Q: Can I elect to have shared lessons?

**A:** Shared lesson are a possibility but this will be at the discretion of the Team Leader for Arts and Technologies, and also be dependent on space and availability.

#### Q: If I miss registration at the start of the year, can I still enrol for the following term?

**A:** You can enrol before the start of any term, subject to availability. The cost of the tuition will be charged on a pro-rata basis.



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