

# Junior School - Music

In Year 7 and 8 all students undertake a study in classroom music. Students in year 8 can elect to do more intensive music tuition covering individual and group performance.

This subject offers an introduction to Music. It is based on learning about specific musical elements through a sequential and mostly practical program.

Students in this subject will develop their skills on a chosen instrument. They will investigate the Alexander Technique for musicians and learn to play scales on their chosen instrument, practice and perform a solo piece in a classroom recital and work in small ensembles or bands.

Students are required to purchase a music theory workbook called Don't Fret 1 or 2 depending on prior music knowledge. They will learn to read, write and play rhythms, melodic phrases and group works. They will learn to express ideas and feelings about their own and other people's musical works. Students will also explore and learn to use computer programs such as musictheory.net, therhythmtrainer and e-lr.com.au.

Students will be assessed on practical and theoretical work, group work and the development of their personal performance skills.

This program is to enhance ensemble performance for students who have been learning an instrument. All students will participate in the band program and will learn to play and understand the Latin Rhythms such as the Samba, Cha Cha, Rumba, Bolero and Bossa Nova.

This subject is strongly performance based. Students are expected to perform at a College concert.

Please note that students learning an instrument outside the school are encouraged to select this elective.

Students develop solo and performance skills on their instrument, perform as ensemble members in concerts/performances, develop music language and aural skills through performance and the use of music technology software, and learn how music is created and performed in different cultural contexts.

All students from Year 7 – 12 are able to access the instrumental music lessons via the instrumental music program. There is an instrumental music charge. Please see the College website (music) for details and forms. Tuition is available in small groups on a rotational basis. Students may elect to take lessons on

Strings	Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass
Woodwind	Flute, Bass Clarinet, Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon, Saxophone (all types)
Brass	trumpet, trombone and tuba
Guitar	classical, contemporary and Bass
Voice	
Percussion	orchestral percussion (including tuned and untuned), drumkit
Piano	
Theory Lessons	

Lessons for these instruments are run on a weekly rotation system. This system ensures that students only miss the same lesson twice in any term.

ABRSM, ANZCA, and AMEB exams are available - all are externally assessed and are optional.

Ensembles are open to students from all levels. Students do NOT have to be having a lesson as part of the school instrumental program to participate in the ensembles. Students may have to audition for some ensembles.

- **Year 7 Band** – for all new and beginning instrumental students
- Concert Band
- Stage Band
- Contemporary Jazz Ensemble
- Clarinet Ensemble
- Camerata Strings
- Vivaldi Strings
- Latin Band
- Gypsy Band
- Quartets
- Senior Vocal Group
- Junior Vocal group