



**MUELLER**  
*Arts*

## Individual Music Lessons

WITH A VOICE OR  
INSTRUMENTAL TUTOR FOR  
PRIMARY & SECONDARY STUDENTS



**Tutoring is open to all year levels but some consultation about the benefits for very young students is advised.**

**Instruments for private lessons include all wind, brass, strings, piano and keys, guitars and drumkit. Vocal lessons, theory lessons and speech and drama lessons are also available. Tutors have skills to meet the needs of students at the beginning stages of music through to advance levels of musicianship and preparing for external examinations. Mueller has a piano accompanist on staff and private arrangements can be made directly for accompaniment fees and availability.**

### Timetables

- Lessons are 30 mins
- Lesson timetables are continually rotated in order to minimise students missing the same class each week.
- A timetable will be emailed before

the commencement of Week 2 of each term by the appropriate instrumental teacher.

- Students are responsible for keeping track of their upcoming lessons and communicating with their Instrumental Music Teachers of any clashes with scheduled lesson times.
- Timetables will be posted outside instrumental music rooms for student reference.

### Leaving Class to Attend a Lesson

- Students in Years 1-3 will be collected from their classrooms by their Tutor.
- Year 4-6 students practise being independent by arriving at lessons on their own.
- Secondary students are required to notify their class teacher at the commencement of any lesson they'll need to leave for an individual music lesson.
- Secondary students are required to follow-up any missed work due to individual music lessons.

### Storage of Instruments at School

- All instruments should be neatly stored in the Music Department's

allocated storage area (D30) whilst at school. This area can be accessed between the hours of 8:00am – 3:30pm.

- For younger primary students, it is acceptable to store instruments in a designated area in their classroom.
- All instruments, whether privately owned or hired, must be clearly labelled with the name and contact details of the student.
- Students are discouraged from leaving their instruments in lockers or unattended near bags.
- It is strongly advised that privately owned instruments be insured against damage, theft or accidental loss whilst the instrument is not at home.
- If a school instrument gets damaged whilst in your care, DO NOT attempt to fix it. Return it to the tutor or the Music Department as soon as possible for repair.
- Normal wear and tear/instrument maintenance will be covered by the school, however accidental damage caused by neglect or misuse will be billed to the student. Responsibility for damage incurred will be determined by the teacher in

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charge of bands under consultation with the Head of Department.

### Purchasing Instruments

- More advanced students are encouraged to buy their own instruments in order to make the College instruments available for beginning students.
- Where instruments are highly priced (e.g. bassoon or oboe) the College will hire these to students until senior years.
- Instrumental and departmental staff should be consulted regarding the purchase of suitable instruments.

### Catch Up / Rescheduling Lessons

- Any lessons missed due to forgetfulness will not be rescheduled.
- Inform the relevant tutor via text before 8am on lesson day of any absences due to illness.
- Legitimate reasons for catch-up/rescheduled lesson would be sickness or injury or family emergency.
- Camps/excursions/incursions/secondary exams are also legitimate reasons for rescheduling lessons. Please advise the tutor as early in the term as possible.
- Illegitimate reasons for catch-up/rescheduled lessons includes being late to school, holiday during school time, day off for birthday, forgot to come to lesson, forgot instrument

or forgot to come to a catch-up/rescheduled lesson.

- Catch-up/rescheduled lessons may be given during morning tea/lunchtimes/before or after school or during class time due to the availability of the tutor.
- For catch-up/rescheduled lessons, tutors will not juggle others' timetables to suit an individual's time preference
- Maximum of 2 catch up/rescheduled lessons will be given per term.

### Practice Suggestions

- In order to make steady progress, students should develop a regular practice routine. Efficient practice each day will yield better results than spasmodic efforts.
- Parental guidance and encouragement in this regard is most beneficial.
- Tutors will have a variety of practise ideas and strategies to share. Please contact them directly.

### Music Diaries

- Students are required to bring their Music Diary to all lessons.
- Parents are encouraged to monitor and sign the Music Diary each week.

### Progress Reports

- Individual student reports are issued with College Reports at the end of each semester.



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