

Aberfoyle Park Primary School Campus



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Instrumental Music Program

2022

Welcome

Dear Parent/Guardians and Students,

Welcome to the Aberfoyle Park Primary School Campus Instrumental Program.

To ensure the smooth running of the program it is essential that you are familiar with the content of this information booklet. If you have any further queries please direct them to the instrumental teacher concerned, or to the Performing Arts Coordinator, Ms Ally Cunningham.

Instrumental Music Staff

Tutor	Instrument
Jan Booth	Recorder
Joanne Jeffery	Flute/Fife
Alison Hansen	Guitar/Ukulele
Greg Jones.....	Clarinet/Saxophone/Voice
Ros Sarre	Piano/Keyboard
Max Jones	Drums
TBA	Violin/Strings

If your child is interested in learning an instrument not currently listed in our program, please contact us regarding this as it may be possible to arrange.

Instrumental Tuition Price Guide

Lesson prices depend on the amount of lessons given in a term (usually 8-9) and the number of students sharing a lesson. Most teachers prefer to teach smaller groups as this allows more time to focus on your child.

Additional fees do apply (please see following page).

We recommend enrolling your child in an instrument of *their* choice.

Lesson Prices

Brass/Woodwind/ Strings	Groups of 2 \$20, Individual lesson 30 min. \$30 (all prices are per lesson)
Recorder (Yr.2 & Up)	\$80 term/\$70 early bird, group lessons only.
Flute	Groups of 2 \$20, Individual lesson 30min \$30, 20min \$22 (all prices are per lesson).
Drums	Groups of 2 \$20, Individual lesson 30 min. \$30 (all prices are per lesson)
Guitar/Ukulele	Groups of 2 \$20, Individual lesson 30 min. \$30 (all prices are per lesson)
Keyboard/Piano	Groups of 2 \$20, Individual lesson 30 min. \$30 (all prices are per lesson)
Voice	Groups of 2 \$20, Individual lesson 30 min. \$30 (all prices are per lesson)

Fees

- Accounts for tuition fees are issued by the tutors usually in the first week of each term and are payable in advance to the tutors direct. **DO NOT send this money to the Campus Front Office.**
- **Administration Fee:** All instrumental students are required to pay an annual Administration Fee of \$6.00, to help offset the cost of telephone calls, photocopying, etc. *Instrumental Tutors will add this fee to your first term's tuition and forward it to the Campus on your behalf.*
- Students participating in drum or keyboard lessons will be charged an additional equipment maintenance fee of \$10 per semester/\$20 per year, invoiced at the start of each semester by APPSC. This fee goes toward the cost of maintenance and repair of the drum kits and keyboards students use during their lessons.
- Accounts for hire of instruments (see Hire outline) through the school may be paid per year or billed on a term-in-advance basis as arranged with the Campus Bursar.
- Instrumental students are expected to participate in a Band or Choir ensemble after learning their instrument/voice for one year.

- **If your child wishes to discontinue instrumental tuition or hire you are required to pay for the full term, and to notify their instrumental teacher in writing.**

Tuition

- Lessons are held weekly, during school time. Students leave their classroom to attend their lesson and return approx. 30 minutes later. Normally there are 9 lessons per term.
- Most instrumental tuition is available for students in Year 3 upwards. Recorder tuition is available for students in Year 2 upwards.

Absenteeism

- If students are absent on the day of their lesson, the instrumental teacher **must be notified** by phoning them directly, preferably **at least 24 hours** prior to their lesson. In the rare occurrence where this is not possible due to sudden illness, the teacher should be notified at the latest by 8.45am of the day concerned.
- If students are going on an **excursion/camp, or will not attend for any other pre-planned reason** on the day of their lesson, where possible the instrumental teacher **must be notified at least one week prior to the lesson**. If this prior notification is given the lesson may be rescheduled or a 'catch up' lesson organised.
- If the instrumental teacher is not notified directly that the student will be away, the lesson will be charged at the usual rate and will not be made up. Parents/caregivers should not deduct pro rata amounts from a term in any circumstances - it is the tutor's responsibility to either make the lesson(s) up, or credit tutoring time toward the following term should adequate notice have been given as outlined above.
- If the instrumental teacher is absent, lessons will either be made up or credited to the following term.

Instrument Hire

- The Campus has a limited number of hire instruments available including violins, violas, cellos, clarinets, trumpets, and flutes.
- Instrument hire costs \$25 per term for ALL instruments.
- ALL instruments require a bond of \$50, the first term's hire fee of \$25, and a signed Hire Agreement form (available from your instrumental teacher) to be presented to the Campus Bursar (Thiele Office) prior to hiring. The bond is refundable when the instrument is returned in good condition. Once bond and fees are paid the bursar will sign your Hire Agreement – the signed agreement then needs to be given to the Instrumental teacher before they can issue the instrument to your child. Instruments must be presented to the Performing Arts Co-ordinator for inspection prior to their return at the end of hiring.
- Please discuss your child's instrument hire needs with your instrumental teacher – they will be able to advise you on appropriate options for your child, and will allocate you a suitable instrument from the school stock if available. Should you be unable to hire from the school due to lack of availability, they may be able to recommend other hire options. As a last resort, please find a local music store and price suitable to you.

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Students are expected to participate in one of our instrumental ensembles once an appropriate skill level is obtained. We recommend that only one instrument and one extra-curricular activity is undertaken except for particularly keen and dedicated music students.
- Students who have been learning an instrument for over one year and have demonstrated commitment to music may negotiate to undertake a second instrument subject to availability. This will be at the discretion of the Performing Arts Co-ordinator, the current instrumental teacher, and the class teacher.

Ensembles

This refers to groups of instruments - currently available ensembles include Junior and Senior Choirs and Campus Band.

- Instrumental/voice students who have learnt their instrument for over a year and have reached an adequate standard according to their instrumental teacher's assessment are expected to participate in at least one of the Campus ensembles (Junior and Senior Choirs or Band). Students will need to commit to a full year's participation, including prompt rehearsal and performance attendance, and a fee will be charged to cover repertoire, transport, ensemble T-shirts, maintenance, etc., as required. Fees will be reduced for students participating in more than one ensemble (second ensemble only), for those having previously purchased a T-shirt, or for families experiencing financial difficulties (please see your school Principal in this case).
- Ensemble students will miss some class work whilst at the weekly rehearsal, which they are expected to catch up as necessary (as negotiated with their class teacher). Students will need to bring their band or choir folder (provided) every week, to attend rehearsals promptly, and will be expected to practise regularly outside of rehearsals – their instrumental teacher will support them in learning ensemble repertoire. Please note that there may be extra, cancelled or changed rehearsal times on occasion, to allow for performance preparation and/or other Campus activities.
- In addition to performances at assemblies and other school-hours performances, out-of-hours dates for the year will include Campus Instrumental Night (Term 2), and Campus Performing Arts Showcase (Term 3). In addition, Senior Choir students are expected to participate in at least one Music Festival performance per year (offsite rehearsal and performance dates to be advised).

Please note: Students who miss rehearsals/performances without adequate reason, or who disrupt rehearsals or performances will not be permitted to continue to participate in the ensemble.

Please Remember:

The learning of an instrument will require COMMITMENT. This will involve:-

- Missing at least one regular school subject period per week and making up the work lost.
- Attending instrumental lessons promptly, with all necessary equipment and music.
- Participating in ensemble (Choir and/or Band) rehearsals and performances as required by the Campus music program.
- Being responsible for the care of your own or hired instrument and finding a suitable place to practise.
- Making every effort to purchase an instrument, when a satisfactory playing standard has been reached, in order that the school instrument can be used by another beginning student.
- Practising *every day*.

Continuity of instrument instruction is dependent upon the student's commitment and parental support as outlined above.

2022 Instrumental Music Enrolment Form

Please cut this form out and return to the Campus Office by Friday Week 3.

Please tick the appropriate box:

- Continuing Student and Instrumental Teacher is: _____
- NEW student and I would like to learn (name instrument): _____

Childs Name: _____ School: _____

Class Teacher: _____ Year Level: _____

What type of lesson would you prefer this year (please tick):

- Private:
- Group of 2:
- Large group sessions only for Recorder:

**Please see Page 4 for costs and details of which lessons are available for different instruments.*

Are you interested in hiring an instrument from the school? YES NO

**Please note we do not hire out keyboards, guitars, or drum kits.*

Are you a school cardholder? YES NO

Does your child have special needs? YES NO

If yes, please indicate:.....

PARENT/CARER/ACCOUNT PAYER DETAILS (please print):

Name: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____