

Heatherton Christian College



Instrumental Music Information Booklet 2018

"Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation!"

Psalm 95:1

Instrumental Music 2018

Voice & Piano
Guitar & Bass Guitar
Flute, Clarinet & Saxophone
Trumpet, French Horn & Trombone
Drums/Percussion



Dear Parents and Guardians

Your child has expressed an interest in undertaking instrumental lessons and participating in the College ensemble program in 2018. If you would like your child to undertake instrumental lessons in one of the above instruments at Heatherton Christian College for 2018, please read the following terms and conditions and return the enrolment form to the College office. Any questions can be directed to the Head of Music, Mrs Julianne Sim on 8551 6650 or via email at julianne.sim@hcc.vic.edu.au.

Instrumental Lessons – Timetabling

- Music lessons are scheduled to work with the student's classroom timetable and will be delivered on a rotational basis to minimise disruption to classroom programs.
- The timetable is organized on a rotating basis to ensure that students do not miss the same class regularly.
- It is the student's responsibility to make up any work missed during absences.
- Lessons outside scheduled classes are arranged at the instrumental instructor's discretion and availability.
- Lessons are half an hour duration - 16 per semester.
- Instrumental timetables will be available on Compass.

Condition of Enrolment – Missed Lessons

Where a student misses a lesson, a make-up lesson will be given only in the following cases:

- When the student requests a change to accommodate other school activities such as tests, excursions and sporting commitments, provided you give your music teacher 24 hours notice.
- Where the parent is aware their child will be absent from school on the day of the lesson for reasons other than illness, a catch up lesson will be given provided you give your music teacher or the College office 24 hours notice.
- Where student is ill on the day of lesson and parents notify school by 8.15 am and request cancellation of music lesson or email the Head of Music or instrumental teacher directly prior to 8.15 am.

Other than for illness as set out above, make up lessons will not be given unless at least 24 hours prior notice of absence is given.

Contact will be made to parents informing them of: missed lessons without prior notification, lateness and failure to bring the correct resources to a lesson.

Changing Lesson Times

If a music lesson is timetabled to clash with a test in a particular subject, this will become evident from proper use of the College diary and Compass. Students are to consult their music teacher in advance (i.e. not less than 24 hours prior to the scheduled music lesson).

Leaving Class to Attend a Music Lesson

Students are expected to go promptly to and from music lessons. Students must ensure they see their respective subject teacher for the commencement (or remaining) minutes of that particular period. It is the student's responsibility to make up any work missed during absences.

Storage of Instruments at School

All instruments should be neatly stored in the Music Department's allocated storage area while at school. Instruments should not be left on top of or next to lockers. Please ensure that the student's name and contact number are clearly marked on the instrument case.

Instrumental Music Examinations

Students will have the opportunity to further their instrumental studies through external music examinations (i.e. AMEB or ANZCA). The cost for these exams is not included in the instrumental lesson fees.

Ensemble Participation

All students learning an instrument are expected to be involved in an ensemble and participate in various performances throughout the year. This involves attendance at rehearsals which are timetabled out of class time at lunchtime or possibly after school.

Practicing at Home

It is essential for your student to develop a regular practice routine at home as this is important for consolidating and improving previous concepts while learning new works. This requires your child to remember to take their instrument home.

Fees & Charges

Instrumental fees will be charged to your school account* for the full semester.

Shared lessons - 2 students – 30 mins <ul style="list-style-type: none">Only available for compatible instruments/studentsNot available for Year 9 Students or aboveNot available for Vocal, Piano or Drum lessons	\$18.50 Lesson	\$296 Semester
Individual lesson - 1 student – 20 mins <ul style="list-style-type: none">Beginners only - Not available for all instruments	\$24 Lesson	\$384 Semester
Individual lesson - 1 student – 30 mins	\$35 Lesson	\$560 Semester
Re-Hiring of Instruments - \$110 per Semester & \$170 per Semester for Saxophones		

*Please note that students will not be able to enrol in this program if school fees are in arrears.

The above fees are based on the recommended fees for music lessons. These are available from the Victorian Music Teachers Association website [http://vmta.org.au/VMTA- Recommended-Fees](http://vmta.org.au/VMTA-Recommended-Fees).

Cancellation Policy

Lessons will automatically roll-over from semester to semester.

Withdrawal from Instrumental Lessons can only be done at the end of semester one or end of Semester 2, giving at least four weeks' notice in writing. Lesson fees and instrumental hire charges will not be refunded for students who withdraw prior to the conclusion of a semester.

