



Information for 2019 Instrumental Music

There are a number of changes coming to instrumental music at OAGS in 2019. Whether your child is already a participant or is starting out on their musical journey please read on.

Beginner Programme 2019

Is your child considering taking up a musical instrument in 2019?

There are many educational and social benefits that come from learning a musical instrument, at OAGS we would love to see as many students as possible take the opportunity to become involved in music.

In 2019 OAGS will offer three options for beginning musicians:

- Beginner Strings – Years 1, 2 & 3
- Beginner Band – Years 3 to 6
- Other individual instrumental lessons such as piano, guitar & voice (open to various ages)

Group Tuition Semester 1

- Students will take part in a weekly 30 min lesson in small groups.
- Groups will be taken by a specialist in this area
- During class time

Individual Tuition - Semester 2

- In the second half of the year the group tuition will cease
- Students wishing to continue will be offered individual lessons of 20 minutes duration for the remainder of the year
- With the same tutor
- Rotating timetable

Students and parents will be committing to:

- Practice at home
- Staying with their instrument for the duration of one semester
- Attending lessons (and rehearsals) on a regular basis

Beginner Band

- Those participating in the Beginner Band will have the option to participate in an after school rehearsal each week.
- This is strongly recommended as it offers an extra structured practice session - a chance to put the learning from the lessons into practice
- Before school 8:00 to 8:45

Costs - Semester 1

- \$100 per term
- Weekly group lesson
- Participation in a weekly rehearsal (Band only)
- Instrument Hire (discounted if you have your own instrument)
- Book and/or materials to get started
- Subsidised by the school

Costs Semester 2

- Band Participation fee \$50 per term
- Instrument hire fee \$50 per term
- Individual 20 minute lessons \$26.00 per lesson (average 8 per term)

Application form is available from the front office at school or from the following [link](#)

- Please take the time to discuss the commitment with your child
- Forms can be returned to the office or to one of the music staff

Timeline

- November 13 – applications close
- November 15 – instrument tryouts for Beginner Band
- December 7 – applicants will be informed of positions for 2019
- 2019 Term 1
- Week 2 (from February 4) group tuition will commence
- Week 5 (starting February 25) Beginner Band will come together for the first time

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