



Expression of Interest Instrumental Music

Dear Parent/Guardian

Education Queensland provides a program of Instrumental Music (IM) Tuition in Primary and Secondary schools across the state. At Mareeba State School, the IM program becomes an integral part of the student's music education where we provide tuition in brass, woodwind and percussion instruments. Instruction takes place on a small group basis with 3-7 students learning together each session. Ensemble work is provided through concert band rehearsals each week when students have become an active participant of the school band.

Students are selected for the program according to various criteria (i.e. musical aptitude, keenness to learn, physical characteristics pertinent to a particular instrument, commitment of both parent and student to daily practice and to attend regular lessons and ensemble rehearsals). It is of utmost importance that students are carefully selected in order to avoid frustration or sense of failure on the part of the student.

Tuition is available on the following instruments:

Woodwind: Flute, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone

Brass: Trumpet, Baritone Horn, Tenor Horn, Trombone, Euphonium,

Percussion: Tuned and Un-tuned – please note that drum kit is **not** offered in the curriculum

A limited number of instruments are available for loan for a six to twelve-month period only. After the twelve-month loan there is an expectation that students will continue in the instrumental program on their own instrument where parents are responsible to provide the instrument through either purchase or commercial loan programs. Unfortunately, the school doesn't own enough instruments to loan an instrument to every student, every year.

Initial enrolment in the subject is for a period of 6 to 12 months. Regular expenses are required at various intervals for reeds, cleaning items, valve oils, etc. **There is an annual \$60 school levy/subject fee per student to participate in the program to pay for sheet music and other consumables (\$30 when doing terms 3 & 4 only). If your child is hiring a school instrument, then there is an additional fee of \$60 for the year to cover maintenance of the instruments (\$30 when doing terms 3 & 4 only).** These fees are invoiced to the child commencing the program.

If you would like your child to be considered for selection, complete the section attached and return it to the school office ASAP so that the full recruitment process can be completed by the end of term 2. By doing so your child will be able to start lessons at the beginning of term 3.

Please do not pay fees until you have been invoiced by the school office.

Kind regards,

Jackson Payne
Instrumental Music Teacher



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Personal Details	
Student Full Name:	
Current Class	
Parent/Carer name:	
Parent contact number:	
Parent email address:	

INSTRUMENT PREFERENCE

I would like my child to be considered for:

1st preference: (instrument name) _____

2nd preference: (instrument name) _____

3rd preference: (instrument name) _____

SUITABILITY OF INSTRUMENTS

Our Instrumental Teacher will be testing all students on their suitability for the instruments. Some students may be recommended an instrument that is more suitable to them than their preferred instruments.

INSTRUMENT SUPPLY OPTIONS

- ☐ I already own a _____
- ☐ I am willing to rent/buy my choice of instrument
- ☐ I will need a school loan instrument
- ☐ My child has already had _____ years of tuition on the _____

** Please note there is an annual \$60 program fee and instrument loan fees are additional to this.*

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or email me at jpain203@eq.edu.au