

Music Tuition



EXTRA SUBJECTS 2021

St Hilda's School is able to offer Music Tuition in the following musical instruments for 2021: Piano, Organ, Voice (singing), Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Saxophone, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Drums/Percussion, Guitar, Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass. Tuition is also available in Theory of Music – including Music Craft and Musicianship.

Terms and Conditions

- Please carefully consider the Music Tuition your daughter wishes to pursue, as enrolment is essentially a commitment for the entire year and any requests for withdrawal from or changes to tuition for Semester 2 are only possible if notice is received in writing by the end of Semester 1. Withdrawal from tuition at the end of Terms 1 or 3 is not possible. Should due notice not be given, I understand I will be charged for a minimum of 50% of the remaining tuition fees for the year in lieu of notice.
- Completion of the enrolment form and agreement with the Terms and Conditions demonstrates your complete understanding of this information.
- It is strongly advised that a student takes no more than two Extra Subjects in any one semester. Please consider carefully all your daughter's commitments before enrolling for instrument tuition.

Scheduling of Lessons

In general, lessons will be scheduled during class time, with all available lesson times outside of school hours (i.e. lunch times, before and after school) allocated preferentially to all Years 11 and 12 students, very young Junior School students or students with special needs.

- **Middle and Senior School students** (Years 7-10) will have lessons on a **rotating timetable**, so that lessons are at a varying time each week.
- **Junior School students generally also have rotational lesson times** during class at varying times each week.
- **Please note, however, that only one 30 minute lesson per week can be scheduled during class time. If your daughter learns two or more instruments, then lessons for these extra instruments will be scheduled outside class time.**

Absences from Lessons

- The Music teacher OR Music Administration **MUST** be notified if and when students are unable to keep a specific lesson time. Lessons will only be rescheduled if 24 hours' notice of unavailability is received due to exceptional circumstances. Lessons missed due to illness, extended holidays or insufficient notice cannot be rescheduled or credited.
- The 15 lesson allocation per semester takes into account public holidays, year level camps, and compulsory School calendar events such as Interschool Swimming.
- When one student of a group lesson is absent, the lesson cannot be made up for that student.
- If there is insufficient notice of missing lessons and/ or the student fails to present to a lesson, a parent will be contacted and the lesson charged.

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- No refunds are available. Should injury or extended illness prevent a student from completing their scheduled lessons, consideration by an application for credit for the next term will be considered with the submission of a doctor's certificate.

Tuition Fees

- Each semester consists of 15 x 30 minute lessons.
- Fee Schedule 2021
 - Individual Lessons per semester (15 x 30 minute lessons) \$655.00
 - Group Lessons per semester (15 x 30 minute lessons) \$364.00
 - **Group lessons** are only recommended for beginners, i.e. students with fewer than twelve (12) months' tuition. Group lessons can only be provided weekly if a suitable partner of equal standard is available to form a group. If no suitable partner is obtainable, girls will receive fortnightly individual lessons at the same cost as weekly group lessons.
 - **Longer lesson times** may be recommended for advanced students, and fees then increase proportionally from those stated above e.g.
 - Individual Lessons per semester (15 x 45 minute lessons) \$983.00
 - Individual Lessons per semester (15 x 1 hour lessons) \$1310.00
- Tuition fees are payable in advance through the Parent Lounge Portal. Once enrolments have been processed you will receive an invitation to accept and make payment. Payment of fees is expected before lessons are commenced in Semester 1 and Semester 2.

Other Costs

- **Music Books:** Music books are required for tuition and these vary according to your daughter's teacher, skill level and rate of progress. As a guide, costs for these books may range between \$5 and \$130 across the year, with the average music student requiring books to the value of approximately \$70. Books will be ordered by the Music Department when requested by your daughter's teacher and payment charged to term accounts. Please consider these costs before enrolling your daughter in music tuition as books are essential for tuition to occur.
- **Exam Enrolment Fees:** Students may be enrolled for practical and/or theoretical Music examinations through organisations such as AMEB or Trinity College London. If your daughter is of the standard to be entered for an examination, a permission form will be sent to parents and payment of enrolment fees will be charged on the next School Account.
- **Accompanist Fees:** For all instrumental examinations other than piano, the services of an accompanist will be required. On enrolment for examinations, an approximate accompanist fee will be advised. The confirmed accompanist fee may be paid directly to the accompanist at the examination or otherwise it will be charged on the next School Account, after the examination is completed.

Other Information

- All students are required to take their school diary to all music lessons, as this allows teacher-parent communication when necessary and also the notification of the following week's lesson time.
- The School does not provide pianos or rooms for Day Girls to complete regular practice.
- Please ensure that all privately owned instruments are covered by personal insurance.

For further information contact the Music Department
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