



ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

As part of our Music Program, students in Years 3-6 2018 have the opportunity to learn a brass, woodwind, percussion, keyboard or string instrument. The choices are trumpet, trombone, euphonium, French horn, flute, clarinet, saxophone, keyboard, violin, cello, tuned or untuned percussion.

Once your child has reached some level of competency they will be expected to join the School Band, participate in Eisteddfods and play at various school functions. Next year we will also run a beginner band to give your child the opportunity to play with other beginners and gain further experience.

Lessons are conducted at school in small groups for half an hour each week by teachers from the Macquarie Conservatorium or Alison Williams Strings. Your child will need to practise regularly at home.

If you'd like to know more about what is involved in learning a musical instrument and how you can help your child, please contact me at school.

On Monday 6th November at 10:00 representatives from Macquarie Conservatorium and Alison Williams Strings will be here to assist your child in selecting an instrument that will be appropriate for them. Information on instrument hire will be sent home with your child after instrument selection. Of course you may also purchase an instrument if you wish. Rental costs range from \$25-\$60 per month for pre-loved instruments. Further costs include lesson fees. This year they were \$15.00 per week for a group lesson (half an hour). These may increase a little next year and the one off purchase of a music book for around \$20. You may also wish to purchase a music stand for your child.

All fees are paid to Macquarie Conservatorium or Alison Williams Strings and not to St Mary's School. If your child is interested, please fill in the tear-off below with their first instrument choice and return to me by **Monday 23rd October**.

Musically Yours

Danielle Dann

_____ tear-off _____

Music LESSONS

My Child _____ Class _____ is interested in learning an instrument

and is aware they need to practise. Their first choice is

_____ Parent's Signature _____