



Music
Tuition

2021



MOUNT ANNAN
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

MUSIC TUITION PROGRAM

Mount Annan Christian College offers an instrumental Music Tuition Program. The program enables students from Prep to Year 12 to learn a musical instrument of their choice, from specialist tutors who have extensive experience in various instruments. Students are encouraged to enrol in the Music Tuition Program from the earliest of years.

The Music Tuition Program is a half hour weekly lesson that is offered as a Private lesson (1 student and music tutor). Lessons for the music tuition program happen during the school day, with the roster structured according to the needs of the Primary and Secondary Schools. The College also offers a shared lesson option.

Other Music Options

Keyboard Club

Keyboard Club commenced in 2020 and has evolved into a thriving program of our youngest students learning to love music in a fun and practical way.

Keyboard club is an affordable introduction to music lessons. Each week students will be involved in small group lessons (For 2 to 6 students) for students in Prep – Year 1 that will foster a love for music whilst building keyboard foundational skills. Lessons will be an interactive 30 minutes a week, utilising a Sing/Play/Move approach. Students will then have the option to move onto Private/Shared lessons

Secondary Stage Band Ensemble

Secondary Stage Band ensemble is an extension of our College Band Program for our Secondary students. The Secondary Stage Band Ensemble will include a variety of music students from guitarist, vocalists, brass and woodwind instrumentalists.

It is highly beneficial for a student to develop their skills as a musician by participating in a band or ensemble.. This gives students the opportunity to reinforce the skills that they learn in their lessons and enjoy the valuable experience of playing with other musicians.

Much of the instrumental learning happens in the band situation where the students hear the music as a whole instead of just their individual part. It is the one time of the week when the students learning instruments get together and put all the parts of the musical jigsaw together. Learning an instrument in isolation does not give students an incentive to continue learning, nor a full picture of what it is to be a performer. Being an active member of an ensemble builds self-confidence and self-esteem and provides a sense of pride and accomplishment. It also assists students to develop their musical awareness and social skills.

Students involved in the Secondary Band Ensemble will meet each Tuesday afternoon 3.00pm – 4.00pm for a 1 hour session and each Week B of Term from 8.30am – 9.30am.

MUSIC TUTION FEES

Private Lesson

Half hour tuition lesson with 1 student and tutor **\$38 per half hour**

Shared Lesson

Half hour tuition lesson with 2 students and tutor **\$20 per student per half hour**

It is the parents responsibility to organise a friend to share the lessons with.

*Please note the recommended teaching fees set by the Music Teachers Association is well above \$50 per 30 minute lesson.

College Band

2 x 30min group tuition lessons per week as well as 1 x Before School Rehearsal for Beginner Band or Intermediate band **\$350 per term + Instrument Hire if required**

Keyboard Club

Half hour tuition with up to 6 students and tutor **\$10 per student per half hour**

Secondary Stage Band Ensemble

3 hours per fortnight **\$100 per term**

How it works

For students receiving Private and Shared lessons rosters are sent out to students and parents at the start of Term 1. Tuition begins in Week 2 Term 1 and then week one of each Term thereafter.

Rosters are placed on the doors of the tutorial rooms so students can check their time if needed. Teachers are given a roster for all tuition lessons each term.

Please make a copy for your child to place in their diary, and retain one for yourself. It would be appreciated if you could assist us in reminding your child on the day that they have a music lesson and what time they are expected at the lesson.

We feel that the music lessons are an important aspect of a child's development and learning and we are eager for parents to support their child with their musical endeavours. It is important that as a parent you take an interest in what your child is learning in his/ her lessons and please encourage them to practice what they have learnt at home on a regular basis. Practicing at home will further develop their skills and enable your child to progress further on their chosen instrument.

HOME PRACTICE ROUTINE

Beginning Student (First 6 Months) 5 x 20 minute session (minimum) per week.

Developing Student (6 months – 2 Years) 5 x 30 minute session (minimum) per week.

Established Student (more than 2 years) 5 x 45 minute session (minimum) per week.

Tutors will advise students as to the recommended amount of time to practice each week.

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS AVAILABLE

Keyboard Club – Prep – Yr 2

Piano - Kindergarten and above

Guitar - Acoustic and Bass - Kindergarten and above

Voice - Kindergarten and above

Woodwind (clarinet, saxophone, flute) - Year 3 and above

Brass (trumpet, french horn, trombone, baritone, euphonium, tuba) - Year 3 and above

Percussion (Drums) Kindergarten and above

INSTRUMENT HIRE

The College also has a select number of instruments to hire. These are hired out as a first in first served basis and will need to be paid for at the beginning of the School year. Students who have hired instruments in the past will be given priority with regards to the hire of instruments from the College. The hire of instruments is subject to the availability of instrumental tutors for that specific instrument.

INSTRUMENT HIRE RATES

FLUTE	\$280 per year (\$70 per term)
CLARINET	\$280 per year (\$70 per term)
ALTO SAXOPHONE	\$430 per year (\$110 per term)
TRUMPET	\$280 per year (\$80 per term)
TROMBONE	\$280 per year (\$80 per term)
VIOLIN	\$280 per year (\$70 per term)

ENROLMENT FOR MUSIC TUITION

To enrol in the Music Tuition Program please complete the Enrolment Form under “Links ” on the MACC App. The Music Administrator will contact parents to confirm and organise lessons and tutors for your child.

If you have any further queries regarding the music tuition, please do not hesitate to contact us through the College Office on 4634 7474 or via email music@macc.nsw.edu.au .

I trust that your child will enjoy the various musical experiences the College has to offer.

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PAYMENT OF MUSIC TUITION AND INSTRUMENTAL HIRE

- 1) Payments for the Music Tuition **must be made on a Term basis**. These payments can be made via our QKR app, in person at the College Administration or via telephone.
- 2) Music Tuition Fees will be invoiced at the beginning of each term and need to be paid within **14 days from the date invoiced** unless prior arrangement has been made with our accounts department.
- 3) If payment has not been received within 14 days, then lessons will be put on hold until payment has been received. Lessons that occur in this period are to be forfeited and will not be credited.
- 4) Any adjustments to accounts/invoices/statements will be made in the following term.
- 5) Parents are required to give **4 weeks written notice** for cancellation of Tuition lessons. In the event of no notice is given fees are payable until lessons are formally cancelled.
- 6) Instruments being hired from the College must be paid for prior to receiving the instrument.
- 7) Students are responsible for the care of their hired instruments.
- 8) All hire instruments are hired from the start of Term 1 to the end of Term 4 and are to be returned to the College at the end of the school year. Those interested students who wish to practice their instrument over the Christmas break may be able to hire the instrument for a fee of \$80. This is to be approved by the music coordinator.

GENERAL

- 1) Enrolment of the Music Tuition Program is for the calendar year or the remainder thereof.
- 2) Students of the Music Tuition Program are required to attend their lesson at the rostered time.
- 3) If Students are unable to make their lesson at the rostered time the tutor needs to be notified at least 24 hours prior to the lesson.
- 4) If students know that they are unable to make the lesson, please contact your tutor preferably one week prior so that arrangements can be made for another time with the tutor, make up lessons are subject to availability.
- 5) It is the **students and parents responsibility** to remember when lessons are and to remind classroom teachers. It is *not* the tutor's responsibility to remember the student's lessons and to chase them up.
- 6) We wish to accommodate any special needs your child has. Please advise us of any issue or requirements that may affect your child's learning. We would like to provide your child with the best possible learning experience. It would be appreciated if all information be given in writing to the Music administrator when organising your child's lessons.
- 7) Students must bring their instrument to each lesson and remember to take it home after each lesson.

- 8) If Students are away sick, please provide 24hrs notice where possible, or at least on the morning of the lesson, prior to school starting. If the tutor is not contactable please phone the College and leave a message for the tutor.
- 9) If students will be absent from the lesson due to exams or class tests, excursion or incursions please advise your tutor the week before so that they may be able to reschedule the lesson.
- 10) Any professional relationship created between the student (and/or parents of the student) and the Tutor outside of the MACC Tuition Program is not the responsibility of MACC. In relation to Music Tuition, MACC is only responsible for the programs provided as part of this Music Tuition Program. This clause includes but is not exclusive to issues in relation to insurance, child protection matters and financial matters.

CREDITED LESSONS

Lessons will be credited when

- The tutor is absent and the lesson is unable to be made up.
- Lessons due to illness / school activity that were given **prior** notice of non-attendance by the students/parents and are unable to be made up by the tutor.

FORFEITED LESSONS

Lessons are forfeited by the parent/student when...

- payment for lessons has not been received.
- a student does not attend their lesson at the rostered time.
- a student is absent from a lesson due to illness.
- If a student is away from school sick, and the tutor has not been contacted.
- If a student becomes ill at school and a message is not sent to the tutor stating reason for not coming.
- a student fails to attend their lesson due to exam/test and has not told the tutor prior to the lesson.
- a student is late to a lesson, the lesson time missed will not be made up.

All tutors endeavour to provide your child with the best possible opportunity to learn, however, if students are unco-operative, disruptive and disrespectful; the tutors have been advised to send students back to class and with a note home providing an explanation of the situation. The remainder of the lesson time will be forfeited.

It is very difficult to provide students with the best possible learning experience if they do not have the correct equipment. Students who fail to bring music books/sheets and instruments (where applicable) to their lesson, at the discretion of their tutor, may be sent back to class and the rest of the lesson forfeited.



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