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Lilydale High School Instrumental Music Year 7 – 12 Enrolment 2009

Dear Parent and Guardian

Welcome to the Lilydale High School music department for 2009. Students who are enrolling in the program must fill out and return the attached form and contract to Mr Pointon in the PAC Office.

Lilydale High School operates 2 different Instrumental Music Tuition Schemes (departmental and private), both of which are focused upon developing performance skills on a student's chosen instrument and within a musical ensemble. **It is a mandatory requirement that ALL students who are learning an instrument at Lilydale High School are performing in one of the ensemble groups that the department offers.**

Departmental Tuition Scheme

Students who wish to learn an instrument from the following list will receive lessons free of charge during 2009 (a hire charge applies for instruments hired from the department), however lessons are provided for a complete academic semester on your chosen instrument without an option to change instruments during that time. It is therefore essential that the choice of instrument is made wisely.

Available instruments through the Departmental Scheme:

Flute	Trombone
Clarinet	French Horn
Bass Clarinet	Tuba
Alto Saxophone	Percussion (including Drum-kit)
Tenor Saxophone	
Baritone Saxophone	
Trumpet	

Private Tuition

Lilydale High School has an arrangement with a number of private Music teachers who offer lessons on guitar, bass guitar, piano, and vocal. Students enrolling to learn these instruments are required to pay for their lessons as the school is not subsidised for these.

As this is a private arrangement between the student/parent and the Music teacher. All invoicing and fees will be organised directly with the teacher and remain separate from the Music Department. Please note that should any unpaid fees remain outstanding after the teacher has made reasonable attempts to recover such, the Music Department does reserve the right to cancel a student's lessons. Should this be the case, you will be notified in writing. Students **must commit to learning and paying for 1 Term** at a time to maintain instrumental teacher numbers. The prices below will be as follows for 2009.

Private/individual lesson:	\$22.00 per half hour per week
Lesson in group of two:	\$17.00 per half hour per week
Lesson in group of three:	\$12.00 per half hour per week

If a student misses a lesson for any reason without informing their particular teacher they **will be charged** for that lesson. A phone call directly to the teacher (not the school) must be made the day before to allow the teacher to reschedule lessons. Adequate warning of **2 weeks before the end of term** must be given to the instrumental teacher if the student wishes to cease instrumental lessons the following term.

General information specific to both Tuition Schemes

It is a condition of enrolling in the Instrumental Music Program that students check their timetable on the morning of their lesson. Notification must be made for illnesses, camps, excursions, and any other reason for missing a lesson. If a student fails to attend three lessons in a term without an absence note from home then his/her lessons will be cancelled and you will be notified in writing.

We have a very successful ensemble program currently running at the school. We have Concert bands, Stage bands, Rock bands, and a number of smaller instrumental ensembles. Regular performances occur throughout the year such as school functions, Mid-Year and Annual concerts, Junior and Senior Arts Nights, Variety Night and many other occasions.

As mentioned above, it is a mandatory requirement that ALL students who are learning an instrument at Lilydale High School are performing in one of the ensemble groups that the department offers. As with instrumental lessons, attendance at ensemble rehearsals is compulsory and records will be kept. If three rehearsals in any given term are missed without an absence note from home, lessons will be cancelled and you will be notified in writing.

The Music department has a selected number of instruments available for hire for those students learning through the departmental tuition scheme. A separate hire form/contract is available from the PAC office should you wish to make use of this opportunity. As numbers are extremely limited, not all students learning can be catered for and providing your own instrument may be necessary.

If you wish to learn an instrument and perform in an ensemble at Lilydale High School during 2009, please fill out the enrolment form on the following page. Feel free to contact me at school should you have further enquiries or wish to discuss the instrumental tuition scheme with me.

Yours sincerely

Jamie Pointon
Instrumental Music Coordinator

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Please complete this enrolment form together with the attached contract and return both to Mr Pointon in the PAC Office in order for you to be enrolled in the Instrumental Tuition Scheme.

Name: _____

Form Group: _____

Department Tuition Instruments

Flute
Clarinet
Alto Saxophone
Tenor Saxophone
Baritone Saxophone

Trumpet
Trombone
French Horn
Tuba
Percussion Instruments
Drum-kit

Instruments Private Tuition

Acoustic Guitar
Electric Guitar
Bass Guitar
Piano
Vocal

Please place the instruments you would like to learn, in order of preference:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Please circle the type of lesson you would prefer: Individual / Group of 2 / Group of 3

Please note it is not always possible to provide group lessons.

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Lilydale High School Instrumental Music Program Contract

Please complete and return the following contract should you wish to receive instrumental tuition at Lilydale High School during 2009. Under no circumstance will any lessons be provided to any student without a completed and signed contract.

I agree to attend all instrumental lessons and ensemble rehearsals, in case of excursions, camps, illness etc. I understand that it is my responsibility to notify the teacher of my absence in advance and that should I be absent from three lessons or rehearsals within one term without an absence note from home my lessons will be cancelled.

I agree to treat the Performing Arts Centre with respect, looking after all equipment and facilities. This includes following PAC rules for rehearsals and room bookings.

Departmental Tuition Scheme

I understand, I am committing to learning an instrument **for a full semester** and I must give the Instrumental Music Coordinator 2 week's notice at the end of the semester if I decide to cease taking lessons.

I agree to use my own instrument and equipment for all lessons and rehearsals (this includes any instrument you have hired from the department).

Private Tuition Scheme

I understand I am committing to learning and paying fees through the private tuition scheme **for a full term** and I must give the private music teacher 2 weeks notice at the end of the term if I decide to cease taking lessons.

I agree to use my own instrument and equipment for all lessons and rehearsals (except drums and piano). This includes drumsticks, guitar leads etc.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Please return the enrolment form and contract to Mr Pointon in the PAC Office.