



Itinerant Music Teaching Programme

2012

Information Booklet and Registration Form

The Itinerant Music Scheme

Instruments:

Wellington Girls' College has an extensive music tuition programme, and in 2012 lessons in the following instruments will be offered under the Itinerant Music Scheme:

Violin Viola Cello Double Bass Flute Oboe Clarinet Saxophone
Guitar Drums Voice French Horn Trumpet Trombone Orchestral Percussion
(Bassoon may be available if there is any interest)

Lessons:

Tuition is provided by musicians who are both performers and teachers of their instruments. Students are taught individually or in small groups during the school day and have one lesson a week. The lesson timetable is rotated as much as possible so that students do not continually miss the same subject each week.

Where it is possible arrangements can occasionally be made for senior students to be taught during specified times, such as a study period, interval or lunch-time, although this cannot be guaranteed.

Once a student's place in a class has been finalised she will be notified.

Itinerant Music Levy

The Itinerant Music Levy of \$120 per student is included on the stationary list, and is payable at the time of or before registration. It assists with such things as piano tuning, strings, instrument and equipment replacement and repair, photocopying, administration, and other equipment required for tutoring in practice rooms.

The levy will be refunded should a student not be placed in an itinerant class. The levy will not be refunded should a student withdraw from lessons during the year.

There is no tuition fee for lessons in the above instruments (information regarding piano is on the next page).

Placement of Students in Lessons

Please be aware that if there is a large number of students wanting lessons, places may be limited in some instruments. If there are more registrations than places, priority will be given to the following students:

- Those who are taking Music as an option subject.
- Members of Teal Voices (vocal lessons only)
- Those who have been attending lessons at school in 2011.

Instruments

We encourage students to hire or purchase their instruments. The following companies provide hire and hire to buy services:

- KBB 0800 775 226 hire@kbbmusic.co.nz
- Auckland Band Instrument Company 09 4435666 peter@abi.co.nz
- MusicWorks 0800 687 429 www.musicworks.co.nz

Our itinerant teachers also have good contacts and are often able to recommend sources for buying or hiring instruments.

Piano Lessons

We currently offer individual piano lessons during the school day which are **not** funded through the Itinerant Scheme, and therefore are essentially private lessons which incur a fee payable directly to the teacher concerned.

Fees are \$64 per hour, and lessons are usually for 30 minutes (\$32).

Students learning piano at school privately are expected to comply with the same conditions of tuition as those in the Itinerant Scheme, and the Itinerant Music Levy is required to be paid before a student can be accepted into lessons.

Students are required to give a term's notice before discontinuing piano lessons.

Students must request lesson time changes at least 2 days in advance as missed lessons will be charged for.

Conditions of Tuition for all lessons

- All beginners are expected to learn for a full school year before reviewing whether they wish to continue with lessons. Other students wishing to terminate lessons must consult with their teacher and the HOD Music.
- Students will be expected to practise at home regularly. The teacher will advise each student what is an appropriate length of practice time.
- Students are expected to make their own arrangements to catch up on any class work missed while they attend music lessons, and must not miss class assessments or tests. It may be possible for a student to arrange to swap her time with someone else in order to attend both a test and a lesson.
- Each student is responsible for checking the music notice board for the day and time of her lesson. She should know in advance, but should also check on the day in case there are last minute changes e.g. due to illness. If there is a problem with the time she should see either the Arts Co-ordinator or the HOD Music who will advise if there is a solution. Students must not alter the timetable themselves.
- If the lesson is during class time the student must inform the class teacher before the lesson begins about her music commitment. Once the lesson is over, she should return her instrument to the appropriate place and quickly return to class.
- If a student is unable to attend a lesson due to illness or a test, she should inform her music teacher, either directly and in advance, or by leaving a message on the Music Department phone.
- **Students taking music lessons in orchestral or band instruments at school are required to join the orchestra or concert band when sufficiently proficient, and to be involved in Music Department performances as required.**
- **Students taking singing lessons at school are required to join one of the choirs, and to be involved in Music Department performances as required.**

Registration

To register for music lessons in 2012 please do the following:

- Make sure you **and your parents** have read all the information in this brochure carefully.
- Print and fill in the registration form.
- Arrange for payment of the Itinerant Music Levy to the Finance Office.
- Return the registration form to the Music Department Office.