



# MACKAY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

a place where you belong



## Instrumental Music at Mackay Christian College

The Creative Academy aims to work together with parents to develop each child's God-given musical ability and we seek to encourage students to use their musical gifts in worship.

*Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord (Ephesians 5:19) NIV*

### THE INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

The Creative Academy has a staff of specialist music teachers who provide a high standard of tuition in the areas of brass, guitar, percussion, piano (keyboard), strings, woodwind, and voice. Weekly lessons operate during school hours. Lessons at King's Park Campus are timetabled on a rotational basis, where possible.

### TUITION AVAILABLE

**From Prep:** Voice, Piano and Keyboard

**From Year 3:** Strings (usually started through the Scholarship String Program), Guitar

**From Year 4:** Brass, percussion and woodwind instruments (usually started through the Scholarship Band Program)

### LESSON STRUCTURE AND COST *\*A discount is given to those accounts paid before the due date.*

#### **Piano:**

**Prep students:** Short Private Lesson 20 minutes: \$23.00 per lesson (Discount Period: \$21.00\*)

**From Year 1:** Private Lesson 30 minutes: \$31.00 per lesson (Discount Period: \$29.00\*)

Private Extended 45 minutes: \$45.00 per lesson (Discount Period: \$43.00\*)

Private Extended 60 minutes: \$59.00 per lesson (Discount Period: \$57.00\*)

(Note: Extended Private lessons – limited places are available for more advanced students doing higher AMEB exams)

#### **Instrumental, Guitar and Voice:**

**Group Lesson (Up to 4 students):** \$23.00 (Discount Period: \$21.00\*)

(Please note: If you elect to have a Group Lesson but there is not another student to form a 'group' then your child may receive a 20-minute private lesson at the same cost)

**Private Lesson:** \$31.00 per lesson (Discount Period: \$29.00\*)

### EXPECTATIONS

- Students are responsible for checking weekly timetables for lesson times and are expected to be punctual and prepared for lessons
- Missed lessons due to student illness or absence will not be rescheduled or credited unless in special circumstances (i.e. extended absence due to serious illness etc. The Director of Creative Academy must be notified in advance for consideration)
- Where possible, teachers will reschedule lessons to avoid clashes with the Academic Calendar
- If a student cannot attend their scheduled lesson, parents are asked to notify the College Office and Creative Academy by 8.30am on the day out of courtesy to their teacher
- Cancellation of enrolments must be made in writing prior to the end of a school term. Refunds will not be given to those who discontinue mid-term
- If a teacher is absent, lessons will be either rescheduled or credited off the next term's account

### INSTRUMENT HIRE

A range of instruments (except guitar) are available for hire through the Creative Academy at a fee of \$80.00 per Semester. Instruments can also be purchased through a payment plan. Contact the Director of Creative Academy for more information.

### ENSEMBLES

It is a requirement of the Creative Academy that all students learning a brass, percussion, string, or woodwind instrument be part of an appropriate ensemble, when a satisfactory level is attained. All members of an ensemble are expected to attend each rehearsal and performance. Students must also commit to lessons for a whole calendar year. Ensembles perform regularly in college and community-based events, concerts and competitions held throughout the year.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the Creative Academy, please complete the Enrolment Form and return it to the Office **as soon as possible**. For further details on any of the above information please email Mrs Sonja Aucamp at [saucamp@mccmky.qld.edu.au](mailto:saucamp@mccmky.qld.edu.au).



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## Instrumental Music Enrolment Form

Student Name: .....

Year Level: ..... Instrument: .....

I wish to enrol my child in a: (please tick one)

- PRIVATE LESSON
- SHORT PRIVATE LESSON (Prep students learning piano only)
- PRIVATE EXTENDED LESSON (to be approved by teacher) -  45 minute  60 minute
- GROUP LESSON (up to 4 students) (Unavailable for piano/keyboard lessons)

Instrument: (please tick one)

- I have my own instrument
- I will need to hire this instrument at \$80.00 per Semester (we do not hire guitars)

Please answer the following questions if your child already learns this instrument:

- \*My child has been learning for: .....
- \*The book they are using is: .....
- \*Have they passed any AMEB exams, if yes what grade: .....

Please provide the following information:

Parent/Caregiver: .....  
Street: .....  
Suburb: ..... Post Code: .....  
Home Phone: ..... Mobile Phone: .....  
Email: .....

(If at any time you change your email address, please notify us as soon as possible as this is our main way to communicate with you.)

Please tick:

- I agree that my child will join an ensemble when they reach the appropriate level
- I will support my child's participation in the ensemble
- I will purchase any music books, consumable items required for my child's instrument and lessons (e.g. reeds, valve oil etc.) and a Creative Academy Music Diary from the Front Office for my child

I am willing to assist the Creative Academy by: .....  
(i.e. set up crew, transport, fundraising)

Parent/Caregiver Signature: ..... Date:.....