2027 Private Music Tuition Enrolment Agreement

Music plays a big part within the Woodleigh community. We provide the opportunity to develop musical skills, confidence and creativity through specialist instrumental and vocal tuition.

Learning an instrument requires commitment, regular practice and active participation. There are many studies proving that music education offers numerous benefits for childhood cognitive development, as well as enhanced academic and social outcomes. Music can be an invaluable component within a student's overall education.

This handbook outlines the responsibilities, expectations, fees and conditions of enrolment for students participating in the Private Music Tuition Program at Woodleigh School.

Instruments Offered

Instrument availability may vary from year to year based on staffing and student demand.

Piano – A piano should be available at home for practice
Guitar/Bass Guitar – All styles (Guitars are not available for hire)
Percussion – Tuned and untuned percussion, including Drum Kit (Drum kits are not available for hire)
Strings – Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass
Woodwind – Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone
Brass – Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium, Tuba
Voice (singing) – Contemporary or classical style
Theory/Aural Skills – General skills and/or exam preparation

If instrument hire is required, this will be charged a full term in advance with the instrumental tuition fees. Additional instruments may be offered at the discretion of the Music Department.

Lesson Options

Lessons are generally conducted during the school day on a rotating timetable to minimise disruption to classroom learning.

Available lesson formats may include:

- Individual Tuition
- Paired Tuition (where appropriate and agreed to with teacher)

Lesson duration options include:

- 30 minutes (Junior & Senior Campus students)
- 40 minutes (Senior Campus students)
- 60 minutes (Senior & VCE Music students)

In some cases where student demand is high for a particular instrument, we may have a waitlist.

2027 Music Fees

Fees per term for individual lessons	
30 minutes	$480.00
40 minutes	$600.00
60 minutes	$864.00

Fees per term for group* lessons	
30 minutes	$300.00
40 minutes	$400.00

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Enrolment Process and Commitment

Enrolment in the Woodleigh School Private Music Tuition Program is a commitment for the duration of the school year. Music tuition staffing, lesson timetables and student placements are organised based on annual enrolments. Families are therefore expected to maintain enrolment for the duration of the school year.

Lessons are be charged a full term in advance. For students who enrol in instrumental lessons during the school year, the first term of instrumental tuition fees will be charged in arrears.

Students can enrol throughout term at any time during the school year, subject to teacher availability.

Withdrawal from Lessons

Requests for withdrawal will be considered on a case-by-case basis and approval is not guaranteed.

Any requests to discontinue music tuition throughout the year must be submitted in writing to the Music Administrator with a minimum of four (4) weeks written notice.

In considering requests, the Woodleigh Music Department will take into account:

- Student wellbeing
- Family relocation
- Medical circumstances
- Significant educational considerations
- Teacher recommendation
- Lesson waiting lists and staffing commitments

Where withdrawal is approved, tuition fees will be adjusted at the discretion of the school.

Where withdrawal is not approved, fees associated with the annual enrolment commitment will remain payable until the end of the school year.

Absences

Lessons missed due to student absence, excursions, camps, sporting commitments or family holidays, are not normally credited back to families.

Where practical, students or parents should provide advance notice of any anticipated absence.

If a student will be absent for an extended period, their tuition may be suspended without incurring a fee. This will be determined based on advance notice provided by the family and is subject to approval by the Music Department. These requests should be made in writing to the Music Administrator or the instrumental teacher.

The school will work with individual families to determine the most appropriate arrangement if an instrumental teacher is absent for an unplanned extended period.

Instrument Hire

Students that borrow a school owned instrument will be issued with an Instrument Loan Agreement which must be completed prior to taking an instrument home. There is a fee of $70.00 per term associated with instrument hire.

Students are responsible for taking care of their instrument. This includes storing their instrument safely and securely and promptly reporting any lost or damaged instruments to their instrumental teacher.

Change of Instrument

Students wishing to change instruments during the school year should discuss the matter with their instrumental teacher and the Music Department.

Changes may be approved where suitable places and teaching availability exist. Approval is at the discretion of the school.

Concerts and Performances

We strongly encourage students to participate in the wider co-curricular program at Woodleigh. From concerts and musical productions to participating in bands, assembly performances and ensembles, there are various opportunities where students can work alongside their peers across various year levels and challenge themselves. It also gives student's the chance to be involved in community events.

Year 12 Private Music Tuition

Year 12 students not enrolled in the subject VCE Music Performance, will only be charged for 3 terms of music tuition. Any lessons had during Term 4 will be charged in arrears as we do not expect all students to continue their private instrumental lessons during exams, however some students to wish to have lessons when possible.