



The Armidale School

Instrumental and Vocal Lessons

Terms and Conditions

A parent/guardian who opts to enrol his/her son/daughter into private music tuition must commit to these lessons for a minimum of one term. It is usual to continue for the whole school year. When a student wishes to stop lessons, parents must notify Ms Karen Hutton (Music Department Administrator) on 67765890 or khutton@as.edu.au by the second last week of term to avoid incurring extra costs. Lessons will not be booked for the following term in that case. The cost of private tuition varies depending on the tutor. Costs currently range from \$25 to \$30 per half hour. Where possible, students may undertake tuition in groups of two. This halves the cost of tuition. In all cases fees are payable one term in advance directly to the Private Tutor.

Current tuition options include: piano, violin, viola, cello, double bass, electric bass, voice, acoustic guitar, electric guitar, flute/piccolo, oboe, alto/tenor/baritone saxophone, clarinet, bassoon, trumpet, French horn, trombone, tuba, percussion, drum kit, pipe organ and musicianship. In some cases special individual requests will be considered.

Private instrumental and vocal lessons are scheduled during school hours. Lessons will generally occur during class time. Currently lessons are scheduled by the tutor in conjunction with the Music Department. It may be possible that the times of some lessons be scheduled on a rotating timetable so students don't miss the same class each week. This is dependent upon the peripatetic tutor. Permanent times can also be requested, in this case senior students will be given first priority.

It is important that all students notify their private tutors at least 48 hours in advance if they are unable to attend lessons due to a school related activity. In the case of illness parents should notify the private tutor the night before the lesson at the latest. Tutor contact details are listed on the tuition schedule. Parents are asked not to leave messages with the School Administration Office / Reception. The Music Department has a voice mail message facility and all messages relating to tuition should be left on this facility **Ph: 67765890**. There is no guarantee that a message will get to a tutor if it is left the morning of the lesson.

If a student misses a lesson for no reason (e.g student forgot), the lesson will be forfeited and will not be made up. Where possible, tutors will make every effort to locate students in the Senior and Middle Schools if they do not turn up to their lesson. Students in the Junior School will be collected directly from their classrooms by their tutors.

Once the Instrumental and Vocal Tuition Enrolment Form (attached) is completed and returned your child will be enrolled into private lessons at the earliest possible opportunity. Your child's tutor will contact you by phone before lessons commence. Your child will also receive his/her lesson schedule for the rest of the term during his/her first lesson. Please make sure the schedule is displayed somewhere prominent at home.

When ready, students will be given the opportunity to complete an AMEB or Trinity Examination or take part in a School ensemble. It is an expectation that all students undertaking tuition will perform publicly at least once during the year.

If you have any questions please contact the Director of Music, Mr Nik Glass at nklass@as.edu.au or by phone on 67765846.



The Armidale School Instrumental and Vocal Tuition Enrolment Form

Student's name: _____ Year/Class: _____

Instrument(s): _____

Preferred Teacher(s) (optional): _____

If the student is continuing please give details of previous tuition/experience

Parent/guardian name: _____

Parent/guardian email address: _____

Contact telephone number(s): _____

Is instrument hire required? _____ Would you like your child to learn in a pair? _____

Would you be interested in being part of a Music Department support group - Friends of Music _____

Special requests regarding tuition time _____

(Please note every effort will be made to accommodate special requests. However, the Music Department is unable to guarantee lesson times. Students who undertake learning support will be accommodated for where possible)

Declaration

I give my child permission to learn an instrument at The Armidale School. I also permit the School to provide tutors with my contact details. I have read the attached information sheet and I understand and accept the terms and conditions associated with private instrumental/vocal tuition at The Armidale School.

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return this form electronically or in hard copy to khutton@as.edu.au or TAS Music Department, Douglas St, Armidale NSW 2350