

February 2021

Tēnā koe

At Tauranga Girls' College we offer instrumental and vocal lessons.

Anyone is able to enrol in these classes. All instrumental lessons with the exception of piano and singing lessons, cost \$20.00 per YEAR to join. This fee covers resources such as music and CD's that your daughter will use for her practice and keep. These lessons are delivered in groups of up to 6 students.

Piano (NOT keyboard) and singing lessons are taught individually and are delivered by private practitioners. These lessons cost up to \$35.00 per half hour lesson.

The instruments taught at the College are:

- Flute
- Oboe
- Clarinet
- Bass clarinet
- Bassoon
- Piccolo
- Trumpet
- Trombone
- French horn
- Tuba
- Tenor horn
- Baritone horn
- Alto sax
- Tenor sax
- Baritone sax
- Violin
- Viola
- 'Cello
- Double bass
- Bass guitar
- Beginner keyboard
- Drums
- Guitar
- Pop or Jazz Piano
- Classical Piano
- Pop/Musical Theatre Singing
- Classical Singing

All of the lessons are half an hour in duration and are taught during class time on a rotating timetable. Lessons begin in February and finish in November.

The school is able to organise rental instruments should you require them. Instrument rental from the school varies between \$80.00 - \$180.00 per year depending on the instrument. Instruments can also be rented from private companies such as KBB Music, Auckland Band Instruments, Rockshop, Musicworks and Shearers Music.

Because the school pays for the students tuition fees the students do have some obligations to the College if they choose to enrol in these classes.

These obligations are:

- To attend all scheduled lessons **from February through to November** unless the student has a scheduled internal assessment or is absent from school for a valid reason ie. illness, bereavement, school trip

- To advise the College **in advance or on the day** if they are unable to attend a lesson for any reason. The message needs to include the name of the itinerant teacher and the reason for the absence. This can be done by:
  - phoning the College Office and leaving a message for Miss Geor **or**
  - emailing [sgeor@tgc.school.nz](mailto:sgeor@tgc.school.nz)
- To rehearse the set music between lessons.
- To bring her instrument and music to each lesson.
- To catch up on any subject work that is missed.
- To leave and return to subject classes in a timely manner.

Missed and wasted lessons are a cost to the school and in keeping with our school values of participation, respect and pride we want to emphasise the importance we place on students meeting the terms of the contract. Students who repeatedly do not attend lessons or do not notify the school Music Department of their absence will lose their place in the system.

To enrol in lessons please fill in the Itinerant Lesson Enrolment Form and Contract on the school website. **Return the completed form and pay the itinerant lesson fee/s (\$20 per instrument) into your daughters school account before February 12th 2021.** The enrolment form can be returned either by email to [sgeor@tgc.school.nz](mailto:sgeor@tgc.school.nz) or dropped in to the Music Dept.


(Please note: Students learning singing or piano DO NOT pay this fee. They will be given an invoice at their first lesson. The payment should be paid directly to the student's teacher at or before their second lesson.)

If you do not have access to the internet, an enrolment form can be collected from the foyer of the Music Department and returned to the box after it is signed and the fee paid.

Lesson timetables will be posted outside M6 from Monday February 15<sup>th</sup> onwards and lessons will begin that day.

Should you require any more information about the Itinerant Instrumental Tuition programme please email ([sgeor@tgc.school.nz](mailto:sgeor@tgc.school.nz)) or phone Miss Geor at the College on extension 773. Please also contact her if you are having difficulties meeting the payment deadlines. There are systems in place to support students with this.

Nga mihi nui,



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