



# Churchlands School of Music

*Aim: To develop the abilities of musically talented students and raise the profile of music in the community through education.*



# International Music Tours every 3 years...



Germany  
Austria  
Hungary  
2018





Tour experiences include cultural appreciation, international performances and sight-seeing.





# Music Course Commitments

## ▶ Year 7 GATE and General Music students

- ▶ 2 Music classes per week – 2x Musicianship
- ▶ 1 choir rehearsal plus an ensemble rehearsal each week

## ▶ Year 8 GATE students

- ▶ 3 Music classes per week – 2x Musicianship and Music Literature / Concert Practice
- ▶ 1 choir rehearsal plus a minimum of one ensemble rehearsal each week

## ▶ Year 9 – 12 GATE students

- ▶ 4 Music classes per week – 2x Musicianship, Music Literature and a choice of either a Concert Practice or Improvisation class.
- ▶ 1 choir rehearsal plus a minimum of one ensemble rehearsal each week

NB. Basic music course commitments remain unchanged through Years 8 – 12 but classwork diversifies to include Music Literature and Concert Practice.

# Music Course Components

## ▶ **Musicianship Class**

- ▶ Develops aural and theory skills

## ▶ **Music Literature**

- ▶ Study of the orchestra, the history and performance of music and analysis of musical styles

## ▶ **Concert Practice or Improvisation Class**

- ▶ Development of solo performance or improvisational skills
- ▶ Development of critical listening skills

# Instrumental Lessons

- ▶ All students enrolled in music must be having weekly lessons
- ▶ GATE students receive individual IMSS (Instrumental Music School Services) funded lessons
- ▶ General students receive group lessons through IMSS as a continuation from Primary School
  - Students not receiving IMSS lessons must have private weekly lessons
  - A rotating timetable minimises the impact on missing timetabled classes
  - Parents can meet the instrumental teachers early in Term 2
  - IMSS do not provide piano lessons

# Ensembles

- ▶ All music students participate in a choir and an appropriate ensemble for their level and instrument
- ▶ Ensembles include orchestras, concert bands, jazz bands, specialist choir (for singers), or guitar ensembles
- ▶ Ensemble rehearsal times vary from year to year



# Performances

- ▶ Six school concert dates are publicised at the start of the year and attendance is compulsory for students scheduled to perform
  - Semester 1 & Semester 2 – Senior, Intermediate and Junior Concerts
    - NB. A typical year 7 student would only be required for 2 junior concerts + festivals
- ▶ There are many more opportunities to perform during the year in large ensembles, chamber groups or as a soloist.
- ▶ Performance opportunities at assemblies, festivals, and special occasions are rewarding for highly motivated students

# Expectations

- ▶ A high level of commitment to the music program is expected
- ▶ 100% attendance at rehearsals, lessons and performances
  - Ensembles are teams that can't function efficiently without everyone present.
  - An orchestra or band is a carefully balanced group of specific instruments. Music is written for balanced groups and is ineffective when instruments are missing, or instrumental sections have gaps.

**A student dropping out of the program affects the balance of an ensemble, and this, in turn, affects many other students.**

- ▶ **GATE students** are expected to participate fully **until the end of year 12**
- ▶ **General students** are expected to participate *at least* **until the end of year 10**

# International Music Tours

- ▶ Students in Years 10 – 12 qualify for music tours.
- ▶ We aim to tour every 3 years.
- ▶ The cost can be between \$8000 - \$9000.
- ▶ You will have the chance to fundraise 50% or more.

***Start saving now!***

# Japan Music Tour







# Music Parents Association

- ▶ Parents are part of the life of the School of Music.
- ▶ The support we receive enables us to provide many of the extra learning and performing opportunities that the music staff offer the students.
- ▶ Parents assist as parent helpers in the office, as stage crew at concerts, fundraising, and suppers for concerts.
- ▶ Music parents fundraise towards the purchase of all sorts of musical equipment to enable students to perform high level music.