



Year 5 Instrumental Immersion Program

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

In 2021 Year 5 students will participate in a brass and woodwind instrument immersion program designed to promote music development in students and to broaden their opportunities at our College.

Students will be assigned either a plastic trumpet, trombone or clarinet and will be taught how to play and take care of the instrument during music classroom time. They will be taught technique and the theory that accompanies it. Mr Crichton will endeavour to do this in a fun and engaging way in the hope that students make a connection with their instrument.

If your student chooses not to pursue the instrument in the future, it is not wasted time. Instrument practice aides many areas of student learning and their understanding of music as a subject will also improve. Students will be taught supporting theory and note reading and their class will feel like a school band. If students take a particular interest and would like to expand their learning to include one to one tuition, there are instrumental teachers that visit the College who cater to these needs.

The cost of instruments hire is covered by Investigator College. The instruments are made of a durable plastic and are dishwasher safe for hygiene. Students will be instructed in caring for and maintaining their instrument and in COVID safety. Instruments are registered through the Hub, but are stored and hired out through the music studio (PC1). Your student's instrument will have its individual number registered and scanned like a library book. At the end of the year, or if students leave the College, instruments must be returned through the music studio directly to Mr Crichton who will sign them back into the library system. Instruments are not to be returned to classroom teachers.

If there are any questions about the instruments or the program, please contact Mr Cass Crichton, ccrichton@investigator.sa.edu.au

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