

Learn a Musical Instrument



We consider it vital that our children learn the 'three R's' at school why should we care about music?

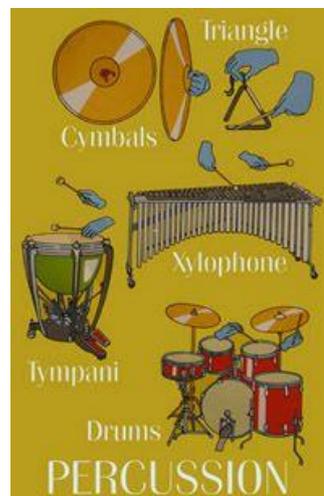
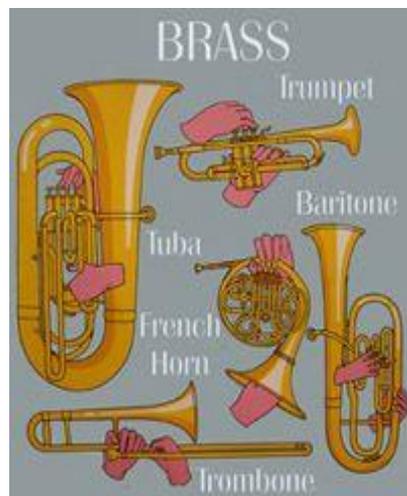
International and Australian research shows that learning music can make a significant difference to children's abilities.

Studies have proven that children who are active music-makers are more likely to have improved maths and language skills, as well as better reasoning and problem-solving skills. Their memory is more likely to improve, as are their social and team skills. Learning music can also improve children's motor skills and overall academic achievement.

A landmark long-term study of 25,000 high school students over ten years showed that those students with sustained participation in school-based music activities performed better academically than non-musically active peers, regardless of the income status of their families.

If these educational advantages sound appealing then the following opportunity is for you!

Springfield Central SHS offers all students the opportunity to participate in the Instrumental Music Program. As a member of the program, students will partake in weekly lessons provided by Education Queensland Instrumental Music Teachers on the Instrument of their choice OR best suited to their needs. These lessons are 35 minutes in length and are held during school time. Once students reach an appropriate level on their instrument, they also participate in a school ensemble (e.g. Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, and String Ensemble). Students have a choice from the following instruments:



As a member of the Instrumental Program students and parents are expected to meet certain expectations.

Parent Expectations

- Provide your child with a suitable instrument after 12 months tuition.
- Maintain an interest and support your child's music study, including practice and attendance at lessons and rehearsals.
- Provide a safe place to store the instrument and help your child keep it clean and in working order.

Student Expectations

- Attend all lessons and rehearsals as required.
- Practice regularly at home for at least 5 times per week.
- Participate in all concerts, workshops and camps.

Access to the School's Instrumental Program does incur a small fee of \$50 per year. Students hiring a School Instrument are required to pay a yearly rental fee (\$50) in addition to the Program Fee.