



Sacred Heart College  
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# Music

*is for everyone*



Discover the Musical  
Education Program at  
Sacred Heart College





*“Music gives soul to  
the universe, wings  
to the mind, flight to  
the imagination and  
life to everything.”*

— Plato

## Music is for Everyone

At Sacred Heart College we recognise that musical education and learning a musical instrument are significant activities in any student’s development. Extensive research shows it is beneficial in the areas of:

- Reasoning ability
- Problem-solving skills
- Linguistic and mathematical performance
- Memory capacity
- Self-confidence and self-discipline
- Social and teamwork skills.

As such, we are committed to providing a high-quality instrumental music education, accessible to all families.

## Year 7 and Year 8 Instrumental Program

Every Year 7 student at Sacred Heart College (and Year 8 student who elects music as a subject) participates in a semester-long instrumental program as a part of classroom music.

This program involves weekly lessons on a brass, woodwind, percussion, or string instrument from a specialist teacher. On some occasions vocal and guitar lessons are also available options, with the choice of instrument governed by timetabling and availability.

Students are provided with an instrument for their semester of study and also receive a weekly classroom-based lesson.

## Years 9, 10, 11 and 12

Following on from the Year 7 and 8 classroom music program, students have the opportunity to continue learning music as an elective subject. Private tuition is also available for students who wish to continue learning their chosen instrument.

Sacred Heart College offers a range of ensembles in which students can grow their musical skills and enjoy a diverse range of performance experiences.

## Available Instruments

The instruments we offer include:



**Guitar**



**Piano**



**Violin**



**Saxophone**



**Trumpet**



**Drums**



**Clarinet**



**Cello**



**Voice**



**Flute**

## Music Program - Private Music Tuition

All students may enrol in private music lessons in addition to the classroom music program. The private music lessons are provided weekly during the term. Careful planning is taken when organising the lessons, which rotate through the timetable so that disruption to regular classes is minimised. Students are responsible for the cost of private music lessons, to be paid directly to the specialist music tutor.

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*The Year 7 and 8 classroom instrumental music program is funded by the College with no charge for tuition or instrument hire. Home practice is an important part of learning an instrument and students are encouraged to adopt a regular practice routine.*

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## Ensembles

Playing together is a vital aspect of becoming a well-rounded musician. The College Ensembles provide an opportunity for students to further develop their musicianship and to contribute to the life of the school. Most rehearsals occur weekly and are held at lunchtime or after school.

### The ensembles we offer at SHC are:

- College Orchestra
- Chamber Ensemble
- Prelude Ensemble
- Choirs
- Flamenco group
- Celtic Group
- Rock Band











## Enrol in the Music Program



### Enrolment in Private Instrumental and Vocal Lessons

Private instrumental and vocal lessons are provided by highly-qualified and experienced music tutors, many of whom also conduct our ensembles. These lessons are a fee-for-service arrangement between student and teacher.

The cost of a 30-minute lesson in 2021 is \$36 per lesson, paid directly to the teacher at the commencement of each term. A more comprehensive list of lesson options can be found on the *2021 Instrumental Music Tuition Enrolment Form*.

### Enquiries

If you would like to discuss the music program or have further enquiries please contact Christine Wilson, Arts Program Coordinator by email on [chwilson@shcgeelong.catholic.edu.au](mailto:chwilson@shcgeelong.catholic.edu.au) for more information.

### Enrolment Form

To access the *2021 Instrumental Music Tuition Enrolment Form* please see the Music page on the College's 'Family Life@SHC' webpage.