

2024 Instrumental Music Program

The Instrumental Music Program at Mill Park Secondary College offers students the opportunity to develop a greater appreciation of music, musicianship, instrumental development, and performance through specialist instrumental music lessons. The Instrumental Music Program also aims to foster enjoyment, positive self-esteem, growth mindset and creativity.

The instruments available include contemporary voice, guitar, electric bass, drum-kit and piano/keyboard at Year 7 - 12. Instrumental music students are expected to participate in college ensembles and music performances. Ensemble participation is fundamental to developing musicianship skills and connecting with the wider music and college community. Rehearsals for these valuable opportunities may include rehearsals during lunchtime, before and after school.

2024 Instrumental Music Program Enrolment

All students who wish to participate in the program are required to complete the selections below and indicate their intentions for involvement in the Instrumental Music Program for 2024. This enrolment applies to both existing Instrumental Music students and new enrolments. Please note: Range of instruments and placement into lessons is based on staff availability.

Senior Campus Instrumental Music Program

It is highly recommended that students who have enrolled in Years 10-12 Music Performance subjects also enrol for instrumental lessons. This allows the extra benefit of a more individualised approach and will complement their studies in music. Depending on the context of subjects selected, some VCE students may benefit from having lessons for two instruments.

Fees: The fees per instrument in 2024 will be \$115 per semester/\$230 per year. Payment for the Instrumental Music Program must be made by 3rd March 2024, unless previous payment plan arrangements have been made. If paying per semester, 2nd semester payment must be made by 23rd June 2024. Students enrolled in two instruments will be charged per instrument. A pro rata charge will be calculated for new enrolments that are less than a semester in length.

Lesson Timetables

Instrumental music lessons are held during school hours and students are withdrawn on a rotating basis from their other subject classes. Where possible, Year 12 students will be given lessons during their study sessions. Lessons for Years 7-10 students are normally in small groups while VCE students are offered individual/small group lessons to cater for the needs of the VCE curriculum. Instrumental teachers will communicate lesson information and timetables through Google Classroom and Compass. Your child's placement will be confirmed at the start of **2024**.

Please complete the following information and return to your child's campus General Office or email directly to
wendy.nagel@education.vic.gov.auCurrent MPSC students must return the forms by Friday 3rd November, 2023.All new college enrolments should be received by Friday 1st December, 2023 or upon enrolling in the college

Student's Name:				H/G:	New Student to MPSC	٧
Campus 2024: Middle Years Campus	٧	Senior Campus	٧	Parent/Guardian Name:		
Parent/Guardian Contact Number:				Parent/Guardian Email:		

Instrumental Selection – 1st Preference (Please tick the instrument that you would like to enrol into for 2024)

Drum Kit	٧	Piano/ Keyboard	V	Contemporary Voice	٧
Guitar (Acoustic)		Guitar (Electric)	٧	Electric Bass	V

Instrumental Selection – 2nd Preference (Please tick a second choice instrument if you wish to learn a second instrument (VCE only) or you are happy to accept the 2nd instrument if the 1st preference instrument is not available)

Drum Kit	V	Piano/ Keyboard	V	Contemporary Voice	٧
Guitar (Acoustic)		Guitar (Electric)	ν	Electric Bass	\checkmark

Current Instrumental Music Enrolment Status (select only one)

Current instrumental student and wish to re- enrol with same instrument	٧	Current instrumental student and wish to re-enrol but change instrument preference	V	Current instrumental VCE student required to learn a 2 nd instrument for VCE study.	٧
New enrolment for Instrumental Music	V	Current instrumental student wanting to learn a 2 nd instrument in addition to current instrument	V		



Music Performance Elective Subject selections in 2024

All Instrumental Music students are encouraged to participate in Music Classroom subjects. Please indicate if you/your child has selected any of the following. (Select all that apply)

Year 7 or 8 Elective subjects don't apply	٧	Year 9 Music Performance	V	VCE Music Units 1&2	V
Have not selected Music as an elective subject	٧	Year 10 Music Performance	٧	VCE Music Performance 3&4	V

Ensemble Participation

All instrumental students are expected to be involved in ensembles and performances. Please indicate the types of ensembles you/your child is likely to be interested in participating in.

Vocal Ensemble	٧	Percussion Ensemble	V	Guitar Ensemble	V
Stage/Jazz band	٧	Contemporary Bands	V	Mixed Instrumental Group	V
College Production/ band	٧	Cultural influenced group	V	Other:	V

Please describe your child's musical background e.g., previous lessons, self-taught, community or school involvement, etc.

Additional information: Please describe any additional information or special needs relevant to you/your child participating in Instrumental music lessons.

Providing of an Instrument:

It is an expectation that all students have an instrument for home practice. Drum students must have at minimum a pair of drum sticks and a practice pad. School instruments can be used for lessons.

V	We have my own instrument at home for practice
V	Voice student
V	We do not currently have an instrument at home for practice but will organise one once lessons proceed

Participation & Commitment

We understand the expectations and participation in the Instrumental Music Program at MPSC for 2024. I, student will participate in the Instrumental Music Program by completing set tasks and attend weekly sessions and practice and participating in various school bands, ensembles & performances. I parent/guardian understand that I will need to contact the Instrumental Music Teacher to advise of any concerns, in regards to my child's attendance. We accept responsibility for the safe upkeep and cost of repair to the school instruments used/damaged. I agree to pay set fees and charges. I will provide an instrument for practice at home.

V	We agree with the above participation and commitment guidelines
V	Other:

Please	Please indicate your preferred payment option: invoices will be sent out accordingly once lessons are confirmed						
V	Will pay the fee in full by 3rd March 2024						
V	Will pay the fee as two semester-based payments by 3rd March 2024 and 23rd June 2024 .						
V	Will pay using a progressive payment plan						
V	Other:						

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Student Signature:	Date: