



2026 Instrumental Music Program Mill Park Secondary College



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, 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.

2026 Instrumental Music Program Enrolment for existing Instrumental Music students and new enrolments

All students who wish to participate in the program are required to complete the re-enrolment process and pay any remaining fees from this year. For existing MPSC students, this should be completed via Compass, {insert event name}. New students should complete the selections below and indicate their intentions for involvement in the Instrumental Music Program for 2026. 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 2026 will be **\$125 per semester/\$250 per year**. Payment for the Instrumental Music Program must be made by **27th March 2026**, unless previous payment plan arrangements have been made. If paying per semester, 2nd semester payment must be made by **30th June 2026**. 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Instrumental music lessons are held during school hours and students are withdrawn on a rotating basis from their other subject classes.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 **2026**.

Please complete the following information on Compass or return this form to your child's campus General Office or email directly to wendy.nagel@education.vic.gov.au

Current MPSC students must return the forms by Friday 31st October, 2025.

All new college enrolments should be received by Friday 5th December, 2025 or upon enrolling in the college

Student's Name:				H/G:		New Student to MPSC		☐
Campus 2026:		☐	☐	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 2026)

Drum Kit	☐	Piano/ Keyboard	☐	Contemporary Voice	☐
Guitar (Acoustic)	☐	Guitar (Electric)	☐	Electric Bass	☐
Flute	☐	Other:	☐		

Instrumental Selection – 2nd Preference (Please select a second choice instrument ONLY 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	☐	Piano/ Keyboard	☐	Contemporary Voice	☐
Guitar (Acoustic)	☐	Guitar (Electric)	☐	Electric Bass	☐
Flute	☐	Other:	☐		



Current Instrumental Music Enrolment Status (select only one)

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

Music Performance Elective Subject selections in 2026

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	✓	Year 9 Music Elective	✓	VCE Music Units 1&2	✓
Have not selected Music as an elective subject	✓	Year 10 Music Elective	✓	VCE Music Performance 3&4	✓

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

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 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.

✓	We have an instrument at home for practice
✓	Voice student
✓	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 MPSC Instrumental Music Program for 2026. I, **student** will participate in the Instrumental Music Program by completing set tasks, 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 regard 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 home practice.

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

Please indicate your preferred payment option: invoices will be sent out accordingly once lessons are confirmed

✓	Will pay the fee in full by 27th March 2026
✓	Will pay the fee as two semester-based payments by 27th March 2026 and 30th June 2026.
✓	Will pay using a progressive payment plan
✓	Other:

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