



MUSIC

A GUIDE TO INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS
AND MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS



Catmose College has always had a strong reputation for music. Students are given the opportunity to learn a wide variety of instruments and perform to audiences in the local area and also further afield. We are proud of the fact that, at the end of their time at the College, students leave us having been involved in productions, concerts, competitions, trips, recordings and international performance tours. In recent years, our students have had the privilege of performing to large audiences in Lake Garda, Barcelona and Amsterdam. In July 2019, our Music and Drama students performed the musical *Sister Act*, which saw over 70 students take part in a number of performance and backstage roles. The College music ensembles have gone from strength to strength in recent years and have been successful in a number of local and national competitions, which is a credit to the talent and commitment of our students and instrumental teachers.

Jasmine Jones
Director of Music

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

Individual music lessons are a key part of our provision, allowing students to develop their own talent with a particular instrument. Many students will go on to study for graded music examinations and perform in one of our ensembles.

Music lessons are taught by Visiting Music Teachers (VMT). A VMT is a person who is an expert in one instrumental area. Currently, we have over 200 students learning a musical instrument including Violin, Viola, Cello, Classical Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar, Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone, Oboe, Recorder, Bassoon, Cornet, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Voice, Drum Kit, Piano and Keyboard.



MUSIC ENSEMBLES

We have a wide range of musical ensembles which rehearse each week. Performance in an ensemble group is a key part of learning a musical instrument and we encourage all students who are learning a musical instrument to join at least one ensemble.

The ensemble group lessons are free for students to attend.

The list of ensembles we currently offer are listed below.

BRASS BAND
JAZZ BAND
JUNIOR CHOIR
CHAMBER CHOIR
MUSIC THEORY CLUB
MUSIC TECH CLUB

STRING ENSEMBLE
JUNIOR FLUTE ENSEMBLE
SENIOR FLUTE ENSEMBLE
ORCHESTRA
WIND ENSEMBLE
SAMBA GROUP



MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Being a Music Scholar is something that students take real pride in. Any students who has instrumental lessons is welcome to apply to become a Music Scholar at Catmose College. Scholarships run from January and auditions take place in the Autumn term of each academic year.

As a Music Scholar, students will be ambassadors of music within the College, as well as in the wider community. Regular attendance to music ensembles is required, as well as being available to perform at different College events.

There are three tiers of scholarships; Gold, Silver and Bronze. Upon a successful application and audition, students will receive discounted instrumental lessons providing they are taught by one of the College's Visiting Music Teachers.

Gold Scholarship - to be eligible for a Gold Music Scholarship, you are required to be at least Grade 6 standard or equivalent in your instrument.

Silver Scholarship - to be eligible for a Silver Music Scholarship, you are required to be at least Grade 4 or equivalent in your instrument.

Bronze Scholarship - to be eligible for a Bronze Music Scholarship, you are required to be at least Grade 2 or equivalent in your instrument.

In addition to the above criteria, students will be required to perform two contrasting pieces of their choice, as well as having a reference from their instrumental teacher.



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