

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL BAND PROGRAM

Dear Parents and Children,

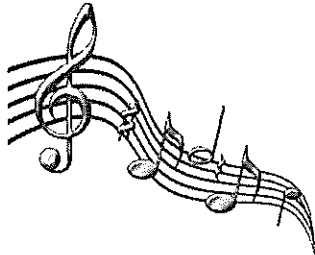
The time has come to enrol for the 2019. Band program. We have been proud of our bands this year and it will soon be time for some of the Training band members to move on to the Concert band and for some new Training band members to take up the stage. We are encouraging applications from this year's Year 2 class up to Year 5, who would like to learn an instrument. We look forward to the involvement of as many children as possible in the music program.

On Tuesday the 4th of December there will be auditions for new band members who have returned a form, to see what instrument they are best suited to.

Could all existing Concert and Training band students also complete the registration form below and return it to the school by Monday the 3rd of December.

Kind regards,

Janella Fyfe.



REGISTRATION FORM OLGCB BAND PROGRAM 2019

Please return this form to the school office by Tuesday the 5th of December.

I would like my child _____ in class (2018) _____ to **continue/join** the band program in 2018.

New student instrument preference: _____

I would like to hire/continue to hire a school instrument Y/N

Email: _____

Parents name: _____

Signature: _____

2019 BAND INFORMATION FOR NEW AND EXISTING MEMBERS

After the band applications have been received, the children will be assessed for suitable instruments. This is a two step process:

- 1) Familiarisation with the instruments and mouthpiece tests. The reason for this is that different instruments are played in different ways and children may be more suited to one particular style of instrument.
- 2) Noting of children's preference for the instrument they would like to play.

Instrument allocation is made in conjunction with the children's own preference after they have seen and briefly tried all the available types of instrument and the band conductors expert opinion.

A brief overview:

- Joining the band requires no prior knowledge of music by children or parents.
- Available instruments are trumpet, trombone, euphonium, saxophone, flute, clarinet, bass guitar(limited) and Percussion.
- Instruments are available for hire from the school. Those with access to their own band instrument are equally welcome.
- Rehearsals for Training band are Friday mornings 7.45am.
- Rehearsals for Performance Band are Tuesday mornings 7.45am and Thursday afternoon 3.15-4.15pm
- Children need weekly instrument lessons and tutors are available to give these lessons during school time. Cost is \$38 per lesson plus a room fee.
- A list of tutors in the area will also be available.
- The performance band performs at a variety of events during the year, including The NSW Band festival, The Spring Festival, Swain Gardens and Warringah Mall Spectacular.

BAND AND INSTRUMENT EXPENSES FOR 2019

Annual Band fee	\$300
Instrument hire	\$280
Instrument usage charge-keyboard and percussion	\$100
Essential elements Book/CD (Training band only)	\$25

These annual fees cover the Band Directors salary and the cost of instrument repairs and servicing as well as music purchase.

MUSIC IS FUN. MUSIC IS A GIFT FOR LIFE.