Instrumental Music
Wind/Brass/Percussion

Information for Parents and Students
Education Queensland schools provide free class instruction to all interested year four to seven students on flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, bass guitar and percussion. Instrumental Music lessons are held once a week for 30 minutes during regular school time and are open to students at all levels of proficiency, including the beginning level. These lessons are carried out in a group with other Instrumental Music students. Participating in the Instrumental Music Program is fun and rewarding for students. As part of the Instrumental Music Program, students have the opportunity to participate in the School Band, small ensembles, parade performances, eisteddfods and many more exciting events throughout the year. Parents/Caregivers will be advised of the day and time by letter when the Band is ready to begin. Students may continue in the School Band right through until year 12 with opportunities to participate in many exciting music camps and Band Tours.

Instruments are to be supplied by the students although there are some school instruments available on loan for the first year of instruction. Our local music stores on the Sunshine Coast offer excellent rental/purchase plans. While internet websites may offer very cheap deals on musical instruments it is not recommended unless you are sure of the Brand/Manufacturer of the instrument, and can obtain a warranty. Poor quality instruments can be more frustrating and costly in the long run than a more reliable brand. Please check with your instrumental music teacher you are unsure.

Costs involved in learning an instrument are outlined as follows:

• Initial cost of the instrument (if purchasing own).
• School contribution fee per year $50.
• Hire of School Instrument per year (where applicable) $60
• Method Book “Sound Innovations” approx. $25.
• Beginner Music Camp October (optional) approx. $210
• Continual costs such as reeds, drum sticks, oils, grease etc.

Please Note: Money paid for participating in the Instrumental Music Program is to be paid at the start of instruction and is not refundable if the student decides to leave the program before the year is finished. Student’s physical attributes pertaining to the instrument of their choice are taken into consideration. (An example of this may be a student who will need braces in the short term future may not find it enjoyable to play the flute or the trumpet.) Students are also chosen after consultation with their classroom music teacher on their abilities in the classroom, their ability to work independently and their commitment to homework and extra curricular activities.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have concerning the school Instrumental Music Program and can be contacted via email to arrange a time.

Please complete the Application form and return to the office as soon as possible to register your interest.
Application Form: New Students

Please return this form to the office not later than November 21 to be eligible for 2015.

What instrument would you like to play? Write 1 for your first choice 2 for your second choice and 3 for your 3rd choice. Due to the high demand to loan school instruments, and the limited amount that we have, students are encouraged to have at least 3 preferences for instruments they are interested in. In many situations students may be able to loan their second or third preference.

- O Flute
- O Percussion
- O Clarinet
- O Euphonium
- O Alto Saxophone
- O Bass Guitar
- O Tenor Saxophone
- O Trumpet
- O Trombone

Student’s Name ________________________________
Class _____________________________
Are you able to provide your own instrument to start lessons in 2015? Yes  No
What instrument can you provide in 2015? ___________________________
Other Musical Experience ________________________________
Parent’s Signature ________________________________
Contact email: ________________________________

Instrumental Music Students: Continuing

Student Name: ________________________________
Instrument: ________________________________

Please tick the statement below that best suits you.

◊ I have been playing the above mentioned instrument in 2014 and will be continuing in 2015.

◊ I have been playing the above mentioned instrument and will not be continuing in 2015.

Please note that if you have been using a school instrument in 2014 you will be required to purchase your own instrument to continue in 2015, with the exception of tenor saxophone and trombone.

Student Signature: ________________________________
Parent Signature: ________________________________