Why Choose Koonung Secondary College Instrumental Music Program?

Koonung Music aims to provide a wide range of opportunities for students to follow their musical interests with:

- Experienced Instrumental Teachers with a background in professional performance and band leadership and also experienced in teaching VCE Music Performance
- Core ensembles and auditioned ensembles, VCE Vocal Ensemble, Jazz Band and Rock Bands.
- VCE Music Performance including entry for approved Year 10 students
- School Musical Productions — a tradition of School Musical Production with an experienced School Production Team.
- Music student leadership positions.
- A wide range of performance opportunities within the School and in the community.
- Opportunities for student initiated groups to develop such as Jazz Bands, Rock Bands and Vocal Groups.

Benefits of Music as a subject within the whole curriculum are well known.

Students who join the Music Program integrate into the school community quickly due to the blend of year levels enabled by the Music ensembles and intensive individual connections with Instrumental Teachers.

Learning an instrument (including Voice) enhances learning in other subjects and assists personal development. Most of the student school leaders are involved in the Music Program. Many students who achieve high scores in VCE have musical training. It has clear benefits across the curriculum.

Further information on the wide ranging benefits of Music can be found at www.amc-music.org

The Value of Music Education

A quality instrumental music education is fundamentally important in the development of your child. Research shows that learning music can help your child in many ways, improving:

- Memory and reasoning capacity.
- Problem solving skills.
- Mathematics and Language performance.
- Self-discipline skills.
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Our Instrumental Music Program provides excellent opportunities for students to learn and participate in music performance. Instrumental Music is a separate subject that can lead to VCE Music Studies.

Fees are charged and used to maintain and purchase equipment as well as assist with providing teachers for lessons and ensemble classes. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) also funds the program according to the number of Instrumental Music Students, however this is not sufficient to run a comprehensive Music Program.

It is a requirement for students re-enrolling in the program that the Instrumental Music Program Fee be paid by 8th November, 2013. Payment and completion of the Music Contract, confirms the student’s place for 2014, which enables the Coordinator to calculate the number of positions for new students.

- Students will receive 30 minute lessons.
- VCE students may receive 30 to 45 minute lessons.

Students are required to commit to the Instrumental Music Program for the full year. Teachers may take classes in small groups, especially at the beginner level.

- Instruments are available for hire from the school. Priority is given to Year 7 recruits.
- Parents are responsible for instrumental repairs or loss of the instrument whilst the hire instrument is in the student’s care. Please check your insurance, together with your signed Enrolment Form.

Ensembles

Students enrolled in the Music Instrumental Program are required to participate in one core ensemble weekly rehearsal. This is a DEECD policy and funding is dependent on the number of students in core ensembles. Students are welcome to audition for the other ensembles but enrolment is based on attendance at a core ensemble.

Core Ensembles:
- Choir
- Concert Band
- Guitar Ensemble
- Percussion Ensemble
- String Group

Auditioned Ensembles:
- Woodwind Group
- Swing Band
- VCE and other Vocal Groups

SUMMARY OF STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

- Attendance at all lessons for the year.
- Attendance at supervised weekly ensemble rehearsals as directed by the instrumental teacher.
- Practise at least twenty minutes per day.
- Prior notification of absences for lessons and ensemble.
- Participation in scheduled performances.
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Important Dates – Attendance is required

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<td>Autumn Concert</td>
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Instruments Offered:

- **Brass** - Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, French Horn
- **Guitar** - Acoustic/Electric
- **Pianoforte** - Limited positions available and an interview may be required.
- **Classical & Popular Voice** - Limited positions available and an interview may be required.
- **Woodwind** - Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone
- **Strings** - Violin, Viola, Double Bass, Electric Bass
- **Drum Kit & Percussion** - Limited positions available and an interview may be required.
- **Saxophone Hire** - only to students who have completed one year of Clarinet or Saxophone.

FEES FOR 2014

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(whole year commitment)
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Timetables
Years 7 to 10 students are placed on a rotating timetable so that the same class is not missed each week. Where possible, VCE students’ lessons will be in spares, or before or after school. Lesson times will appear on Compass which is the schools digital information network. The timetables are also placed on the Music noticeboard located near the music office in the theatre. It is the student’s responsibility to make sure they attend their lesson at the correct time.

Absences
Absence notes are required, and penalties for absences without permission, will apply as with any subject.

Attendance
In accordance with school policy, teachers keep accurate rolls of attendance to lessons and ensemble rehearsals. Students must bring their instrument diary and music to each lesson. It is the student’s responsibility to arrange lessons around excursions and tests in other subjects.

Missed Lessons
Excursions, tests or other commitments.
Notice must be given to the teacher as soon as possible if a student needs to miss a lesson, so that a possible alternative time can be arranged. Parents will be notified via compass when a student is absent without notice. The penalty will be a detention.

Sickness
Parent or students must contact their Instrumental Teacher and the Music Coordinator directly via email or phone, preferably the day before, if they will not be attending their lesson. The absence will be counted as absent without notice after 8.30 AM on the day.

Withdrawal
As stated previously, students must commit to a whole year. On the rare occasion that a student wishes to withdraw from the program after commencing lessons, a written application must be made to the Music Co-Ordinator, Mr David Forward. Refunds of the Instrumental Fees are only offered at the Music Coordinator’s discretion.

If you are interested in enrolling or re-enrolling your son/daughter in the Instrumental Music Program for 2014, please complete and sign the attached forms and return them with your payment to the Cashier’s office as detailed in the “Payment Options” Sheet.

Please contact David Forward on 9890 9662 or by email at forward.christopher.d@edumail.vic.gov.au should you require any further information.

David Forward
Music Co-Ordinator
KOONUNG SECONDARY COLLEGE
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2014

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A SEPARATE ENROLMENT FORM FOR
NEW ENROLMENTS (Page 8 - due by 10/12/2013)

and

RE-ENROLMENTS (Page 9 - due by 9/11/2013)

PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT
COMPASS ON-LINE
KOONUNG SECONDARY COLLEGE
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM
PAYMENT OPTIONS

PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT

- Compass Online - using your ID and Password to log into the

Other Methods of Payment

- Cash
- Cheque
- EFTPOS (Debit Card without Credit Card attached to it—in person only) or
- Credit Card—either in person, on a payment envelope, by phone or fill in the form below and return it to the Cashier’s Office.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Fill in details on the form below and forward to:
Accounts Receivable Department
Koonung Secondary College
P.O. BOX 1202
GREYTHORN 3104

OR By phoning the Accounts Receivable Officer on 9890 9662 with your Credit Card details.

Mastercard □ VisaCard □
(Please tick whichever is applicable.)

Payment For:________________________________________

Student Name:________________________ Amount: $________________________

Cardholder Name:________________________ Phone No.:________________________

Card No: __________________________ Address:________________________ Postcode:________________________

Expiry Date:_______/_______ Signature:________________________ Date:_______/_______/_______
I have read and accept the rules associated with enrolling my son/daughter in Koonung’s Instrumental Music Program.

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Prior learning: (all applicants)

Name the instrument studied and AMEB or other syllabus level achieved prior to 2013

Instrument ___________________________ Grade ________________________

Prior Instrumental Teacher/s:_____________________________________________

Do you own your instrument? (please name it)______________________________

Please fill out the following table indicating the fees and charges you are paying for your child’s lessons.

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Instrument/s to be studied in order of preference.

1. __________________________ 2. __________________________ 3. __________________________

Instrumental Music Program Fee: $450.00 per year
To be paid by Orientation Day, 10th of December 2013

Please tick any of the following EXTRA options you wish to use:

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RE- ENROLMENT FOR 2014

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