



Music



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The wonderful world of music

We are delighted to have this opportunity to welcome our students and their families to the wonderful world of Perth College Music.

The Performing Arts department provides a positive experience for everyone through the impact of music. Our Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12 program is creative, challenging, enjoyable and nurtures a lifelong musical appreciation. We encourage personal development and the pursuit of excellence within a spiritual and caring community.

Students studying Music at Perth College benefit from 10 purpose-built practice rooms each with an upright piano, as well as two well-equipped classrooms, a large rehearsal studio with full orchestral percussion (Dorothea Angus Studio), a 700-seat theatre (Judith Cottier Theatre), four grand pianos, a harpsichord, three harps and a pipe organ. There are currently more than 20 peripatetic instrumental tutors who provide individual lessons for more than 20 different instruments. All Senior School Music students have Sibelius 7 installed on their PLD.

All Students at Perth College from Pre-Kindergarten through to Year 7 study Music in the classroom. The department also has a flourishing academic Specialist Music program from Years 8 to 12 when the study of classroom Music becomes an option.

Perth College offers a wide range of co-curricular ensembles. This year, we are proud to continue our 12-year relationship with the Aquinas College Music department. Students will have the opportunity to participate in choirs, string orchestras, concert bands, jazz bands and chamber groups. In the Junior School, all students sing in a choir and perform in the annual Junior School Musical, while bands and orchestras are offered to students in Years 2 to 6. In this handbook, you will find a full list of ensembles offered to students at Perth College.

All students from Year 3 to 5 will learn a string or band instrument in pairs, and these lessons are fully covered by the School. String lessons are offered to Year 2 students and Year 6 students are also given the opportunity to continue learning their instrument. These lessons are also covered by the School. Individual lessons can also be arranged for Junior School students, which will be charged in addition to the School fees. Please see the following pages for more information on Junior School Music.

Research has shown music encourages greater self-discipline, self-esteem, teamwork, communication skills and spatial awareness, but, best of all, it is great fun!

We warmly invite students to become a valued part of music-making at Perth College and look forward to overseeing their musical development.



“Music when it is properly taught, requires an extraordinarily high level of listening and concentration from the student.”

Children’s involvement in musical activity has a profound effect on the development of the child’s general learning. It is now proven beyond doubt that children who are engaged in arts activities, especially music, have advantages in all areas of learning.”

Dr Richard Gill, OAM

Encouraging your musical journey

MUSIC STAFF

Jane Artelaris	Acting Head of Performing Arts, Choral Specialist, Classroom Music Teacher
Sofie Kros	Classroom Music Teacher
Christina Maughan	Classroom Music Teacher, Violin and Viola Tutor
Gianni Corvaia	Classroom Music Teacher
Michael Pignéguy	Classroom Music Teacher, Band Co-ordinator
Adrian Yeo	Strings Specialist
Emily Green-Armytage	Piano Accompanist
Kerin Byrne	Office Co-ordinator – Performing Arts

INSTRUMENTAL / VOCAL MUSIC TUTORS

Taryn Cacciola	Percussion	Christina Maughan	Violin, Viola
Alinta Carroll	Voice	Anne Henderson	Bassoon
Lyvia Chai	Piano	Yann Kee	Voice
Jango Chapkhana	Organ	Anthony Maydwell	Harp
Sarah Clare	Double Bass, Electric Bass	Jane Pankhurst	Clarinet
Evan Cromie	Trumpet	Laura Peden	Flute, Recorder
Aaron Deacon	Guitar	Michael Perkins	Drums, Percussion
Jazmin Ealden	Saxophone	Anne Phillips	Oboe
Emily Fitch	French Horn	Susan Poole-Johnson	Piano
Emily Green-Armytage	Piano	Olga Sergeyeva	Violin, Viola, Theory
Leah Guelfi	Voice	Tresna Stampalia	Flute
Samuel Harris	Tuba, Trombone, Trumpet, Euphonium, Baritone	Emma Vanderwal	Cello
		Adrian Yeo	Violin, Viola, Theory



Nurturing a strong foundation

PRE-KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6

The Perth College Junior School has a very strong Music program. Each week, every student from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 6 attends several music sessions, including a Music class and a choir rehearsal with their year group. Students in Years 2 to 6 will also attend a string or band ensemble rehearsal for their chosen instrument.

The strengths of this program are due to a foundation in the Kodaly method of musical instruction, a strong focus on singing, and the wonderful opportunities offered through the Years 2 to 6 instrumental program.



JUNIOR SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

YEAR 2 STRING PROGRAM

(Optional)

Year 2 students are offered the opportunity to learn the Violin, Viola or Cello as part of the Junior School Music program. These paired, 30-minute lessons are held during the school day, on the same day each week. The lesson time is rotated throughout the day to avoid missing the same class each week.

Students choosing to learn a string instrument as part of the Junior School Music program will also receive free instrument hire for the first year. An insurance waiver fee will apply. Please see the section on instrument hire in this handbook for more information.

As part of the program, students will also attend a weekly Year 2 strings class from 3.15 pm to 4.00pm on Wednesday afternoons.

YEAR 3 TO 5 ENSEMBLE PROGRAM

(Compulsory part of the Music curriculum)

Students in Years 3 to 5 learn either a string or band instrument as part of the Music curriculum. These paired, 30-minute lessons are held during the school day, on the same day each week. The lesson time is rotated throughout the day to avoid missing the same class each week.

As part of the Junior School Music program, students will receive free instrument hire during their first year of learning the instrument. An insurance waiver fee will apply. After the first year of lessons, students are expected to either purchase or hire their instrument. Instruments may be available to hire through Perth College. Please see the section on instrument hire in this handbook for more information.

Once an instrument has been allocated, it is expected that students will remain on that instrument until the end of Year 6 (Year 6 is an optional program). This gives them the opportunity to develop the necessary skills and technique to be able to make an informed decision about their instrument choices moving beyond Year 6.

Students choosing to change instruments in Years 3 to 5, are opting out of the Junior School Music program and will move to individual, paid, 30-minute lessons until the end of Year 5. The optional music lessons in Year 6 will not be available to students that have chosen to change instruments during these years.

YEAR 6 ENSEMBLE PROGRAM

(Optional Co-Curricular Program)

Students in Year 6 are offered the opportunity to continue learning their instrument as part of the Junior School Music program. Students choosing to continue are expected to attend either Sinfonietta (string ensemble) or Junior School band on Friday mornings from 7.30 am to 8.20 am.

New students to Year 6 at Perth College will also have the opportunity to participate in instrumental lessons and will receive more information about instrument choices in their orientation package.

As part of the Year 6 Music program, students choosing to continue learning their instrument will receive 30-minute individual lessons, which are held on the same day each week with the lesson time rotated throughout the day to avoid missing the same class each week.

Students are expected to either purchase or hire their instrument for this year. Instruments may be available to hire through Perth College.



JUNIOR SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES

JUNIOR SCHOOL CHAMBER CHOIR

Sofie Kros, Director

Rehearsal: Monday 7.30 am to 8.20 am (JC1)

Junior School Chamber Choir is open to students that love to sing in Years 5 and 6. They learn a wide range of music styles and have several performances throughout the year.

SINFONIETTA

Adrian Yeo, Director

Rehearsal: Friday 7.30 am to 8.20 am (Stage)

Sinfonietta is a Junior School string ensemble made up of students from Years 4 to 6. Students in Years 4 and 5 are invited to join Sinfonietta at the discretion of the Director. Year 6 students choosing to receive instrumental lessons through the Junior School Music program are expected to be a member of the orchestra.

JUNIOR SCHOOL BAND

Michael Pignéguay, Director

Rehearsal: Friday 7.30 am to 8.20 am (DAS)

Junior School Band is an ensemble for woodwind, brass and percussion students in Years 4 to 6. Students in Years 4 and 5 are invited to join Junior School Band at the discretion of the Director. Year 6 students choosing to receive instrumental lessons through the Junior School Music program are expected to be a member of the band.



Lifelong musical appreciation

YEARS 7 TO 10

Specialist Music courses are offered in Years 7 to 10 for students with a special interest or talent in Music. These courses seek to extend their understanding of varying genres and styles of music, and deepen their capacity to confidently apply their skills in the areas of performance, composition and aural analysis.

As part of this course, students participate in the broader Music program, including concert practice class, vocal and instrumental lessons, Year 7 to 8 Chorale, and school band or orchestra - depending on the student's instrument (not applicable for piano, guitar or vocal students).



CONCERT PRACTICE CLASS

Tutors: Mr Adrian Yeo, Mr Michael Pignéguy

Time: Monday 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm (JC 2)

Concert Practice class is a weekly performance workshop held after school for Specialist Music students from Years 7 to 10. In this class, students perform and receive feedback from both Music staff and peers.

Music workshops are a very effective means of musical development, where all students benefit from the feedback given.

Specialist Music students are expected to attend Concert Practice class several times a semester, and perform once a semester.

YEARS 11 AND 12

ATAR MUSIC

Through the Year 11 and 12 ATAR Music course, students extend and apply their skills, knowledge and understanding of music to create, communicate and evaluate music ideas with increasing depth and complexity. They continue to develop and consolidate aural and music literacy skills, learning how the elements of music can be applied, combined, and manipulated when listening, performing, composing and analysing music.

Students are encouraged to reach their creative and expressive potential by performing in a variety of venues with piano and/or ensemble accompaniment, and by also attending professional concerts. Students will develop the skills and stylistic awareness to confidently engage in music-making as performers and audience members – both individually and collaboratively.

SENIOR SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR ENSEMBLES

CHORAL ENSEMBLES

YEARS 7 TO 8 CHORALE

Jane Artelaris, Director

Rehearsal: Monday 7.30 am to 8.20 am (DAS)

This choir is an un-auditioned choir open to students in Years 7 and 8. Music Scholarship, Bursary students and members of the Music Specialist class are expected to be a member of this choir.

COLLEGE CHORALE

Jane Artelaris, Director

Rehearsal: Tuesday 7.30 am to 8.20 am (DAS)

This choir is an un-auditioned choir open to students in Years 9 to 12. Music Scholarship, Bursary students and members of the Music Specialist class are expected to be a member of either College Chorale or the Perth College Voices choir.

PERTH COLLEGE VOICES

Jane Artelaris, Director

Rehearsal: Monday 3.30 pm to 4.45 pm (DAS)

This is a voice auditioned choir for 50 students in Years 9 to 12. Auditions for places are held in Term Four, for the following year. Music Scholarship, Bursary students and members of the Music Specialist class are expected to be a member of either College Chorale or the Perth College Voices choir.



YEAR 11 CONTEMPORARY VOICES

Jane Artelaris, Director

Rehearsal: Lunchtime on a day suitable to members

Year 11 Contemporary Voices is an auditioned ensemble of up to 12 members. Auditions are held in Term Four, for the following year. Members of the Year 11 Contemporary Voices must also be members of either College Chorale or Perth College Voices.

YEAR 12 CONTEMPORARY VOICES

Jane Artelaris, Director

Rehearsal: Lunchtime on a day suitable to members

Year 12 Contemporary Voices is an auditioned ensemble of up to 12 members. Auditions are held in Term Four, for the following year. Members of the Year 11 Contemporary Voices must also be members of either College Chorale or Perth College Voices.

SENIOR CHOIR

Jane Artelaris, Director

The Senior Choir performs at events throughout the year and is a combination of the Year 7 to 8 Chorale, College Chorale and Perth College Voices. Rehearsals are held in preparation for a performance and students are advised accordingly.

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

CAMERATA

Adrian Yeo, Director

Rehearsal: Tuesday 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm (Stage)

Camerata Orchestra is an auditioned ensemble open to Senior School string players of an intermediate standard. The auditions are held in Term 4 for the following year.

PC/AQUINAS SENIOR STRINGS

Adrian Yeo, Director

Rehearsal: Monday 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm (Stage)

Perth College and Aquinas College string players combine to form the PC/Aquinas Senior String Orchestra. This is an auditioned orchestra with auditions held in Term Four, for the following year.

INTERMEDIATE BAND

Michael Pignéguy, Director

Rehearsal: Tuesday 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm (DAS)

Intermediate Band is an auditioned ensemble open to Senior School woodwind, brass and percussion students. Auditions are held in Term Four, for the following year.

PC/AQUINAS CONCERT BAND

Michael Pignéguy, Director

Rehearsal: Monday 5.00 pm to 6.30 pm (DAS)

Perth College and Aquinas College band students combine to form the PC/Aquinas Concert Band. This is an auditioned band with auditions held in Term Four, for the following year.



INTERMEDIATE CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE

Michael Pignéguay, Director

Rehearsal: Wednesday 7.30 am to 8.20 am (DAS)

This band plays music from a wide variety of contemporary styles, including jazz, funk, pop, rock, and fusion. It performs both instrumental and vocal repertoire and is an un-auditioned ensemble open to students from Years 7 to 12.

SENIOR JAZZ BAND

Michael Pignéguay, Director

Rehearsal: Friday 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm (DAS)

The Senior Jazz Band is for Senior School students who would like to play jazz at a high standard, as well as those who are interested in improvisation. The auditions for this band are held in Term Four, for the following year. Members of the Senior Jazz Band must also be members of either the Intermediate Band or PC/ Aquinas Concert Band.

FLUTE SALAD

Laura Peden, Director

Rehearsal: Wednesday 12.50 pm to 1.30 pm (JC1)

This is the Perth College Senior School Flute Ensemble. Flute students of all abilities in Years 7 to 12 are encouraged to join this ensemble. Flute Salad brings students from all year groups together to explore flute choir repertoire.

CHAMBER ENSEMBLES

We have a number of chamber ensembles that are offered for smaller groups of students:

- String trios
- String Quartets
- Piano trios
- Percussion ensemble
- Guitar Ensemble
- Saxophone Ensemble
- Jazz Combo
- Brass Ensemble





Mastering your musical skills

INSTRUMENTAL AND VOCAL TUITION

Perth College provides the opportunity for students to take private music lessons in the areas of instrumental, vocal or theory study. The school employs music teachers – all highly respected musicians and tutors in their field – to teach instrumental and vocal lessons.

Tuition is offered in the following instruments:

- Flute
- Recorder
- Oboe
- Clarinet
- Bass Clarinet
- Bassoon
- Alto Saxophone
- Tenor Saxophone
- Baritone Saxophone
- French Horn
- Trombone
- Trumpet
- Baritone
- Euphonium
- Tuba
- Percussion
- Drum kit
- Double Bass
- Bass Guitar
- Cello
- Viola
- Violin
- Harp
- Classical Guitar
- Electric Guitar
- Organ
- Voice (Year 6 and above)
- Piano
- Music Theory

All students learning a musical instrument through the School are expected to participate in at least one ensemble suitable to their instrument or voice. Places in Senior School bands, orchestras and choirs will be determined by an annual audition.

ENROLMENT FOR LESSONS

Applications for music lessons can be made during the year by completing the Music Application form available from the Performing Arts department. A separate Music Application form must be completed for each instrument. Students continuing their instrumental or vocal lessons do not need to re-enrol each year. Unless notice is given, students will automatically be re-enrolled for the following year and parents' accounts charged for Term One fees.

TUITION FEES

Instrumental/Vocal lesson fees:

30 Minute lesson - \$42.00

40 Minute lesson - \$53.00

PAYMENT OF FEES

Fees are charged at the beginning of each term for the following terms:

Term One – 10 lessons

Term Two – 10 lessons

Term Three – 9 lessons

Term Four fees are charged at the end of the term (charges or reimbursements may apply).

Year 12 students will finish their lessons at the end of Term Three unless prior arrangement has been made with their instrumental tutor.

DISCONTINUATION OF LESSONS

Cancellation or changes to music lessons can only be accepted at the end of each term. Written notification must be received two weeks prior to the end of term by emailing the Director of Performing Arts via music@pc.wa.edu.au. A full term's fees will be applied in lieu of the two weeks' notification.

MUSIC DIARY

All students will be issued with a 2021 music diary as required. A **\$4.00 charge** will be included in the invoice covering the student's first term of lessons.

A music diary is provided to each student to help them organise their practice, lesson times and communication with parents. Each lesson, tutors will give feedback to students and parents on the work completed, and work to be done by the next lesson.

Parents are asked to sign the diary and use it to communicate with the tutor about any matter regarding the student's music tuition. Students are required to bring the diary to each lesson, as they may be asked to provide the diary to classroom teachers when asked for proof that they are, or have, attended their music lesson.



LESSON REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to attend all scheduled lessons punctually, bringing with them all required music books, their music diary and their instrument.

LESSON TIMES

Timetables of lessons are emailed to parents at the start of each term. Students are required to write their lesson times in their diary each week.

LESSON ABSENCES

If a student has an exam, assessment, excursion, camp etc on the day of their music lesson, they are expected to notify their instrumental tutor one week before their scheduled lesson in order to avoid being charged for the lesson. This may allow for their lesson to be rescheduled, if possible.

No reduction of fees can be made for other absences from lessons such as illness, forgetfulness or for family reasons (including holidays) as tutors are contracted to be present for the full year.

If a student is sick, please contact the instrumental or vocal tutor. Direct communication with the instrumental or vocal tutor is a priority. Please do not contact Junior or Senior School reception, or the HUB, regarding a missed music lesson.

The contact details for each instrumental tutor are located on each student's lesson timetable. If contact cannot be made with the music tutor directly, please contact the Performing Arts Office Co-ordinator on **9471 2243**.

A valid reason must be provided for all non-attendances. Students attending scheduled meetings, being too busy or catching up on missed work etc are not valid reasons for missing a lesson and this will result in the lesson being charged and/or the cancellation of the lesson.

A missed lesson form will be sent home for every lesson missed.

HIRE OF SCHOOL INSTRUMENTS

Perth College has a limited number of instruments available for hire each year. Students are responsible for any damages, whether they are deliberate or accidental, to their hired instrument.

Instruments are hired for the duration of the school year and will be collected at the end of Term Four to carry out any necessary repairs and servicing.

INSTRUMENT HIRE CHARGES

The cost of hiring an instrument through Perth College is \$60.00 per term, charged at the beginning of each term.

Students are required to purchase their own reeds, strings, valve oil, water spray bottles, rosin, books and other accessories.

INSURANCE OF SCHOOL INSTRUMENTS

The School offers an optional insurance deductible waiver of \$30.00 per year for all instruments hired through Perth College.

The School has insurance for all Perth College-owned musical equipment as part of its wider property and equipment insurance policy, but cover is subject to a \$2,000.00 excess.

If, while in your care, a Perth College-owned instrument is damaged, lost or stolen, you are responsible for the repair or replacement up to the value of this excess – unless you purchase the School's deductible waiver.

Please note, the waiver will only cover accidental damage and where due care has been taken to prevent loss or theft of the instrument.

STORAGE OF INSTRUMENTS

Perth College provides a secure storeroom for all instruments while at school. Instruments should not be left at school overnight, on weekends or during holidays.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Music Scholarships are awarded to new or current students entering Year 7 who show a level of excellence in Music and demonstrate an outstanding ability during an audition, using an instrument of choice. Academic ability is also considered in the selection process.

The Scholarships are offered based on an audition and a student's results in the Academic Assessment Scholarship Examination. Following the audition process, recommendations are made to the Principal by the Head of Performing Arts.

This part-scholarship contributes towards tuition fees, and covers the cost of instrumental hire and lessons using an instrument of choice for the duration of schooling.

All Music Scholarship recipients must be members of the Music Specialist class, Years 7 to 8 Chorale and, if appropriate, an instrumental ensemble.

MUSIC BURSARIES

Music Bursaries are offered each year to students entering Year 7 who are interested in Music and show musical talent using their instrument. Students applying must currently learn an instrument or have a musical background.

All Bursaries are offered for one year and are reviewed at the end of each year. Music Bursaries cover:

- Either the **full cost** or **half the cost** of 32 x 30-minute lessons (ie one year's tuition). The amount covered is at the discretion of the Principal.
- The hire of an orchestral or band instrument if required (excludes piano, guitars and percussion).

All Music Bursary awardees must be a member of the Music Specialist class, Years 7 to 8 Chorale and, if appropriate, an instrumental ensemble.



WEEKLY CO-CURRICULAR MUSIC REHEARSALS

MONDAY		LESSONS
7.30 am to 8.20 am		Years 7 to 8 Chorale
LUNCH BREAK		Year 12 Contemporary Voices
3.30 pm to 4.45 pm		PC Voices
5.00 pm to 6.30 pm		PC/Aquinas Concert Band
5.00 pm to 6.30 pm		PC/Aquinas Senior Strings
TUESDAY		LESSONS
7.30 am to 8.20 am		College Chorale
LUNCH BREAK		Year 11 Contemporary Voices
3.30 pm to 4.30 pm		Intermediate Band
3.30 pm to 4.30 pm		Camerata Orchestra
WEDNESDAY		LESSONS
7.30 am to 8.20 am		Intermediate Contemporary Ensemble
LUNCH BREAK		Flute Salad
3.00 pm to 4.00 pm		Year 2 String Ensemble
FRIDAY		LESSONS
7.30 am to 8.20 am		Junior School Band
7.30 am to 8.20 am		Sinfonietta Orchestra
3.30 pm to 4.30 pm		Senior Jazz Band





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