



# TRANBY COLLEGE

## 2023 Music Tuition

### Parent and Student Information



## FOR STUDENTS IN PRE-PRIMARY – YEAR 12

Tranby College students have the opportunity for private Music Tuition in a wide variety of instruments, and in vocal and digital music production. These lessons are taught by specialist Music Tutors and, are subject to class scheduling and the student's progress in class.

If you would like to enrol your child in Music Tuition, please ask to speak to the co-ordinator for Music Tuition who will check the availability of tutors. 2024 Enrolments will open at the end of the school year.

### LESSON DETAILS

- Tutors work with students as individuals or in small groups of two to three. In the instance of small groups, participation and size of group is determined by the Tutor and Director of Performing Arts subject to the participant's age, choice of instrument(s) and in consideration of application requests.
- Lessons are held once a week in term time. There are 28 lessons over the four terms.
- Lessons times are normally scheduled on a rotational basis, during school hours, so that students do not repeatedly miss the same class. It may be necessary to complete any missed class work at home.
- Length of lessons are 30 minutes. Senior School students may register their interest in a 45 minute lesson, but these will only be allocated upon Tutor approval.

### Benefits of Individual Lessons

There are numerous advantages to private, individual lessons, such as:

- Tailored tutoring: lessons are planned to specific needs, personal goals and learning style.
- Individualised attention: one-on-one tuition allows for questioning and repetition to improve finesse, leading to quicker progression.
- Greater potential to work on solo pieces for AMEB exams or eisteddfods, with in-depth preparation.
- Greater flexibility to reschedule missed lessons.

### Benefits of Small Group Lessons

Small group lessons for students of similar age and ability hold their own advantages, such as:

- Cost friendly: small group lessons are a great option for students who are interested in trying particular instruments for a year, but not ready to commit at an individual level.
- Social music. Working as a small ensemble encourages support and growth of individuals socially, as well as improving supportive and encouraging behaviours.
- Individual growth: group lessons can assist in overcoming fear of mistakes, leading to finding greater confidence in practice strategies, and tackling new challenges, musically and otherwise.
- Musical collaboration: learning as a small group can positively impact music skills such as aural ability, tuning and harmony, control of rhythm, and ensemble skills.
- Variety of pieces: the Music Tutor may explore a range of solo, duo and trio pieces.

## CHOICE OF INSTRUMENT

Please note:

- There are limited places for each instrument. We will endeavour to provide you with your first choice, however, we recommend selecting a second preference should your first be unavailable.
- Not all instruments are available to our younger students due to the complexity of playing, the size of the instrument and/or the level of maturity required for tuition. Applications from Pre-primary students will only be considered in consultation with their classroom teacher and the Music Tutor.
- Group lessons will only be allocated to students at the same level/skill and in consultation with the Tutor.

### Woodwind:

- Flute - Years 3-12
- Clarinet - Years 4-12
- Alto Saxophone - Years 5-12
- Tenor Saxophone - Years 7-12

### Brass:

- Trumpet - Years 4-12
- Trombone - Years 4-12

### Strings:

- Violin - Years 1-12
- Viola - Years 4-12
- Cello - Years 5-12

### Guitar:

- Ukulele - Years 1-12
- Acoustic Guitar - Years 3-12
- Electric Guitar - Years 4-12
- Bass Guitar - Years 4-12

### Percussion:

- Piano - Pre-primary-Year 12
- Drums - Years 4-12

### Music Production - Years 6-12

### Vocal - Years 3-12

## FEES

- Tuition Fees for individual lessons are:
  - **\$40.00 per 30-minute lesson** (annual cost: \$1,120 for 28 lessons).
  - **\$60.00 per 45-minute lesson** (annual cost: \$1,680 for 28 lessons.)
- Tuition Fees per student in small group lessons are:
  - **\$25.00 per 30-minute lesson** (annual cost: \$700 for 28 lessons).
  - **\$35.00 per 45-minute lesson** (annual cost: \$980 for 28 lessons.)
- Fees are charged (to the end of the year), in advance, to the family school fee account and are paid according to the account payment terms set up with Edstart. In the instance that a family has not set-up an Edstart account and fees are not paid on time, and without alternative arrangements, lessons may be suspended or cancelled.
- **Additional costs:** There may be additional costs for items such as instrument hire, music books, competition entries and exam enrolment fees. This will vary according to student needs and requirements. The Music Tutor will communicate any information or additional costs to the Parent/Guardian.

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

- **Commencing Tuition:** Music Tutor lessons commence at the beginning of a term. Students can only commence instrumental tuition with written request from a Parent or Guardian. Parents or Guardians must complete the Music Tuition Application Form 2023 available on Paperly.
- **Ceasing Tuition:** **One (x1) term's notice in writing must be given to withdraw from Music Tuition.** To withdraw, email [tranby@tranby.wa.edu.au](mailto:tranby@tranby.wa.edu.au), or complete the withdrawal form on Paperly. Lessons will not be cancelled until written authority is received from Parents/Guardians. Students are encouraged to continue their lessons during notice period as charges will occur whether attended or absent.

- **Notice of Absence:** Please advise your Tutor by 8:00am if your child is unable to attend their scheduled lesson due to illness. Students are not to come into school just for music lessons when unwell. For all other student absences (including tests, examinations, excursions, sports carnivals, medical appointments etc.) you must inform the Tutor at least 24 hours in advance, to ensure they have adequate time to organise their day. If sufficient notice has not been provided to the Music Tutor, you will be charged accordingly.
- **Replacement Lessons:** Music Tutors will provide a rescheduled lesson in the case of:
  - Music Tutor absence.
  - Advance notice of student absence (minimum of one week) for College based activities or assessments, medical appointments, excursions, camps, or illness.

*Lessons missed due to illness (with less than 24 hours notice), extended holidays or insufficient notice cannot be rescheduled or credited.*
- **Student Responsibilities:**
  - Actively participating in lessons, practise and participation in ensembles where appropriate.
  - Recording practise and lessons in their student diary as directed by Music Tutors.
  - Bringing their instrument, music books and accessories to every lesson.
  - Communicating with their Tutor and Parents/Guardians about progress, concerns or queries.
  - Attending their lesson promptly at the scheduled time. Students in Year 7 to 12 should check their lesson times as they are expected to attend without prompting. Junior School students will be collected by their Tutor from their classroom. There is no obligation for the Tutor to reschedule lessons that are missed when a student fails to arrive on time.
- **Parent/Guardian Responsibilities:**
  - Encourage regular practise of skills taught in class according to the Music Tutor's advice.
  - Support diligent student participation in ensembles, performance opportunities and events.
  - Remind your child of upcoming classes or College activities to ensure no unexpected absences.
  - Ensuring your child has access to an appropriate instrument and accessories.
  - Communicating directly with the Music Tutor about student progress, concerns and queries, and notifying Tutors of planned absences in advance.
  - Any unresolved concerns or queries can be directed to the Director of Performing Arts at [music@tranby.wa.edu.au](mailto:music@tranby.wa.edu.au)
  - Read and understand the guidelines about withdrawal notice periods and fees.

## INSTRUMENT PURCHASE OR HIRE

If your child is learning an instrument you do not already own, it is recommended that you to hire or purchase one. With the exception of loaning violins to all Year 3 students, Tranby College does not hire out instruments at present. The following three locations all provide hire, purchase and servicing facilities:

- **Music Force Mandurah**  
[www.musicforce.com.au/hire/](http://www.musicforce.com.au/hire/)  
 3/39 Gordon Rd, Greenfields WA 6210  
 T: 9582 8911
- **Crescendo Music**  
<https://perthmusicshop.com.au/pages/instrument-hiring>  
 2/101, North Lake Road, Myaree, WA 6154  
 T: 1300 000 383
- **WA Music Company**  
[www.wamusic.com.au/hire/](http://www.wamusic.com.au/hire/)  
 1/3, Morris Place, Innaloo, WA 6154  
 T: 9244 9559

## OTHER

- **AMEB examinations:** Students are encouraged to progress through the external examination system or they may decide to have lessons without commitment to exams. Music Tutors will be available to discuss examination opportunities with Parents/Guardians and students when suitable.
- **Year 3 Violin:** All Year 3 students take violin for the whole year as part of an integrated Music program. The College will provide the lessons and a violin for each student to borrow free of charge for the year. Relevant Terms & Conditions are provided with the distribution of instruments. Students who wish to continue violin after Year 3 must hire or buy their own instrument and move to the normal Music Tuition program.
- **Ensembles and Performances:**
  - Students who receive Music Tuition are expected to participate in a band, ensemble or choir, and perform at various College events such as assemblies and concerts.
  - Students are expected to embrace additional performance opportunities as they come up through the school year.

Thank you for expressing your interest in the Tranby College Music Tuition Program.

