

# WESTERN CAPE COLLEGE

Weipa Campus

13 August 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians

#### **INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC 2026 - YEARS 3 TO 12**

Our Instrumental Music teacher, Miss Pofandt, is excited to invite your Expression of Interest (EOI) for the 2026 Instrumental Music Programs. Continuing students must reapply for next year, hiring or not.

# About the programs

At Western Cape College, Instrumental Music (IM) gives your child the opportunity to learn how to play an instrument and to read music from Years 3-12. The purpose of the program is to provide opportunities for your child to learn about music through participating in lessons, rehearsals, and performances with other students. Benefits from the program include: increased coordination, time management, development of self-confidence and self-discipline, resilience, and responsible risk taking.

Students will be assessed each term with the Instrumental Curriculum for their report card.

Students joining or continuing the IM program in Years 11-12 can use IM to help towards their QCE.

# **How the Instrumental Music Works**

In the first term of learning, your child will learn how to play an instrument through weekly group lessons. Your child is expected to commit to a 30 minute group lesson consisting of 3-5 students. Your child's lesson time will be provided.

During the second term of learning, your child will also join their out-of-school-hours rehearsal. A rehearsal is where all of the students within a specific IM program get together to learn to play a song together in an orchestra-style setting. Rehearsals are not optional, regular attendance will enhance your child's playing abilities, knowledge, and group/band skills.

We understand that if your child is ill, has an appointment, or another medical related issue, their health must come first. Travel issues can be discussed with the school to investigate options.

## Instruments and Rehearsal days and times

<u>Concert Band</u>: Wednesday 3-4pm (flute, oboe, clarinet, bass clarinet, alto saxophone, tenor saxophone, baritone saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, electric bass guitar, euphonium, tuba, percussion)

String Ensemble: Thursday 3-4pm (violin, viola, cello, double bass)

Guitar Band: Monday 3-4pm (acoustic guitar)

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These days and times are not \*negotiable. Please consider which instrument your child wants to play and if they have other conflicting commitments. \*However, students can leave 15 minutes early for another commitment if they've informed the IM teacher beforehand.

#### Instrument selection

For your child to be selected into an IM program, they must return the Expression of Interest form **attached** where you and your child will selection two preferences.

#### **EOI** return date

The Expression of Interest (EOI) must be returned to the main or Primary Admin Office by **Friday 12 September 2025** (Term 3 Week 9).

#### Levies

The IM programs have levies applied to them, that cover the costs of resources and maintenance of school equipment. The invoice for the levies will need to be paid ASAP.

# Instrument loaning

IM students can use their own instrument or loan an instrument from the school. This is given to the student after their first lesson and the required External Request for Equipment - Student form is filled out, signed, and handed into the office or Miss P.

Hire Levy: \$110 for the year

After their first year, it is recommended that you purchase an instrument for your child. If this is not achievable, speak with Miss Pofandt who may be able to help you with sourcing a good quality second hand instrument. Payment of the \$110 levy is required to hire WCC instruments each year.

### **Resource Levy**

The \$80 resource levy applies to all IM participants and covers the cost of tutor books, photocopies, and other consumables.

#### **Final notes**

As the IM programs are very popular, if your child would like to be part of the program, please return the Expression of Interest form ASAP and remember that the final date for EOIs is **Friday 12 September 2025**.

If you have an instrument at home, your child is more than welcome to play this instrument.

If you have any further question, please do not hesitate to contact our Instrumental Music teacher, Miss Pofandt (<a href="mailto:tpofa0@eq.edu.au">tpofa0@eq.edu.au</a>) on 07 4090 6444. Miss P suggests keeping these information pages for future reference.

Kind regards

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College Principal

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# Expression of Interest – Instrumental Music 2026 – Years 3 to 12

(This page gets handed into the Admin Office)

Name:		Current class:	
Preference 1		Preference 2	
I need to loan this instrument	YES/NO	I need to loan this instrument	YES/NO
I already have this instrument	YES/NO	I already have this instrument	YES/NO
If you have any previous experienc	e with music o	or an instrument, please tell us (not	required):
Parent/Carer Name:			
Parent/Carer Signature:		Date:	

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