Donvale primary school

Instrumental Tuition 2011

Donvale students in years 3–6 are offered tuition in Recorder, Piano, Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Guitar, Drums, Percussion and Keyboard during school hours. (Level Four students will have their lessons at lunchtime and after school.)

Fees vary depending on which instrument you choose and whether you have a small group or a private lesson, and are payable direct to the tutor. You will have to hire an instrument, or buy one new or second hand. Most teachers will also ask that you purchase a music tutor book.

Once students are able to play at a basic level, they can play with an ensemble or join the Expressions band, performing a number of times throughout the year.

**Recorder**
There is no charge for lessons, which will be taken by, Anthea Keep. Recorder groups will be on Monday and Tuesday lunch times. Students will need to purchase a recorder through the school or bring one from home. They will also be required to purchase a book for their appropriate level which also contains a rehearsal CD. The cost for the book/CD will be approximately $15. Students will learn valuable skills in reading music and using their fingers to form notes, which will help them to play other woodwind instruments later.

**Percussion /Marimba Band**
This band is for Level 4 students only and gives them an opportunity to play marimbas, xylophones, djembes and a variety of other instruments. Classes will be held on Wednesday lunch times and are run by Rick Gordon and Anthea Keep. There is no cost for this band. This band will perform throughout the year in the school and also the wider community.

**Guitar**
Ric De Clemente is teaching guitar, and comes to the school on Fridays each week. He is a young jazz and rock guitarist, and is a very experienced teacher. He can be contacted on 0414 626 027. The cost will be $25 for a 30 min private lesson, or $15 for a group of two or three. (Student acoustic guitars are not expensive to buy, and can be purchased at Billy Hyde’s in Blackburn or Ric can help you with your purchase.) Please note that places are very limited.
Wonnies School of Music
Scott van Gestel co-ordinates the Wonnies School of Music. Scott employs 35 teachers who provide lessons to over 1000 students. Private half hour lessons cost $27, and group lessons (max. 3) cost $17 per child. Group lessons on keyboard cost $12. Scott can be contacted on 0423 457 411 or 9812 2626. He can also assist with instrumental rentals. Tuition is offered on the following:

Drums & Percussion
Drums and percussion are taken on Thursdays by Scott van Gestel, a talented drummer and percussionist who has wide experience playing in concert bands and youth orchestras.

Keyboard
Chris O'Neil teaches keyboard. He is a composer and talented musician. It is highly recommended that students have a keyboard at home for practice. Chris also takes the Expressions Band, which meets on Friday lunch times.

Woodwind & Brass
Tess Sakas teaches Flute, Saxophone, during afternoon or after school lessons. Tim Folliott teaches Trumpet and Trombone.

Dance and Drama
Lessons can be arranged if there is enough interest. Please contact Wonnies for further enquiries.

Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.
~Berthold Auerbach

Music is what feelings sound like. ~Author Unknown

Music is the universal language of mankind.
~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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