

# MUSIC

## HOW WILL I BENEFIT FROM STUDYING MUSIC?

Music makes life better! In addition to the fundamental artistic benefits of being a musician, our Music course aims to assist you in developing life-enhancing skills in teamwork, self-discipline and self-confidence. It exposes you to a wide range of musical styles and gives you greater ability to express your opinions of these styles.

You will gain experience in performing within the class environment and also have the opportunity to present your skills to the wider school community. It is expected that classroom music students will be learning an instrument or voice during their period of study. This may be within the school co-curricular program (Project Active) or externally.

You will utilise online music notation software throughout the course to develop composition skills relevant to the area of study. Underpinning course subject matter is development of aural skills.

## WHAT ARE THE TOPICS IN YEAR 8?

Year 8 Music is offered as a single semester or full year course. In the semester course, musical skills are contextualised through a study of the following units:

- Hit it! (music for percussion)
- Music and Me
- Film Music
- Jingle All the Way (music in advertising)

## WHAT IS THE ASSESSMENT?

Music operates within three dimensions. These dimensions are Musicology, Composition and Performance. All three dimensions are assessed at least once in a semester.

Assessment may take place in the form of written exams, composition assignments, performance tasks and enriched project-based tasks.