

# 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 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 9?

Musical skills in Year 9 are contextualised through a study of the following genres:

- Wiggle it! Music for Children
- Program Music
- Jazz Styles
- World Music

## WHAT ARE THE TOPICS IN YEAR 10?

Musical skills in Year 10 are contextualised through a study of the following genres:

- Keyboard Styles
- Chamber Music
- The Popular Song
- Studio Recording Project

## WHAT IS THE ASSESSMENT?

Music operates within three main dimensions in Year 9 and 10. These dimensions are:

1. Musicology
2. Composing
3. Performing

In both semesters, students will be assessed on each of these dimensions. In Terms 1, 2, and 3 there is typically an analysis exam, a composition assignment and a practical performance. In Term 4 there is an enriched task, incorporating multiple dimensions.