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Instrumental Tuition Policy

Purpose: Chewton Primary School supports an instrumental music program and understands the importance of a functioning program. To operate successfully Chewton Primary School has implemented a policy based on recommendations from the Mount Alexander, Performing Arts/Music Teachers Network and discussed guidelines for effective implementation.

Aim: The aim of an instrumental music program is to utilise the skills of instrumental music teachers, where students can access private tuition on a weekly basis. Instrumental music tuition aims to support the classroom music and performing arts programs. Aims also include:

- To provide better links and scaffolding for students to transition to High School music
- Improve student learning outcomes
- Connectedness to school
- Extend learning experiences

Implementation

To implement a successful Instrumental music program at Chewton Primary School compliance with the following criteria is pivotal.

Compliance with child safe requirements Include:

- Working with Children Check
- Criminal Records Check
- Compliance with School's Child Safe Policy and standards
- Compliance with staff and volunteers and code of conduct

Professional Standards for Conducting an Instrumental Music Program

- Appropriate Qualifications of a teaching degree, diploma or other educational training.
- High level of proficiency for the instrument to be taught

Compliance with School Council Approved Music Tuition Guidelines

- Awareness and compliance with the schools music tuition guidelines/policy

Operational Requirements

- Personal Insurance/Public liability insurance

Service Provided by Music Tutors:

Parents are to be provided with a clear and transparent refund policy that is attached to the initial musical enrolment form. This policy is to be consistent with the schools values.

- Music tuition will be offered to all students from Prep to Year 6
- Effective lines of communication with classroom teacher and parents
- Manage the responsibility with timetable changes
- Involvement in wider school community and relevant activities which include concerts and special events
- Pricing to be consistent with regulations and to notify school of any changes in fees
- Any tutors sourced externally must comply with qualification and policy guidelines
- All equipment and spaces will be respected, used and stored appropriately

Chewton Primary School will provide:

- Suitable space for tuition free of charge
- Promote tuition music programs throughout the school and community
- Provide tutors with calendars/ timetables of upcoming events
- Actively support open communication
- Notify tutors in advance (3 months minimum) for upcoming involvement in concerts and performances

Further Information

For instrumental tutors currently working at the school, they are able to remain in their role without having to apply for their position as long as School Council is satisfied that all of the above requirements are being met. If the panel has any concerns in this area, tutors will be notified and provided an opportunity for issues to be addressed.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's 3 year cycle review. This policy was ratified by school council on 23/11/2017 with amendments made on 5/9/2018