

# Music

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# Music at Pedare



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## Welcome

At Pedare Christian College we believe that each student should have the opportunity to experience the joy and fulfillment gained by learning and participating in music. Students are encouraged and challenged to strive for excellence in all that they do.

The music program at Pedare is structured to enhance and cater for a wide variety of skills and aspirations. We welcome students to take part and share their musical journey together, with the music program offering an extensive range of opportunities.

Throughout the year, students have many opportunities to perform as a member of one of the ensembles, bands and choirs various College events and solo recital evenings.

Each ensemble is led by a member of the music department or by one of our qualified instrumental tutors. The experienced and dedicated team enjoy sharing their enthusiasm, passion and expertise with the students. We look forward to you joining us.

## Why Music?

Music provides many benefits, adding value to your child's education. Experts agree children who learn to play an instrument see an increase in:

- » Brain power
- » Memory
- » Social skills
- » Confidence
- » Patience and self-discipline
- » Self expression
- » Enriched life experiences
- » Creativity
- » Higher order thinking
- » Problem solving
- » Team work
- » Collaboration
- » Communication

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# Instruments Offered



**Pedare Christian College offers tuition on the following instruments:**

<b>Instrument</b>	<b>Recommended Year Levels</b>
Flute	Years 3-12
Clarinet	Years 4-12
Saxophone	Years 4-12
Trumpet	Years 4-12
Trombone	Years 4-12
Violin/Viola	Years 1-12
Cello	Years 3-12
Double Bass	Years 5-12
Acoustic Guitar	Years 1-12
Electric Guitar	Years 6-12
Bass Guitar	Years 4-12
Drums/Percussion	Years 1-12
Piano/Keyboard	Years 1-12
Vocal	Years 3-12

Students have the option of either purchasing their own instruments or hiring the instruments term by term. If you are purchasing an instrument for the first time, please speak to your instrumental tutor for advice beforehand. If there is an instrument you would like to learn but is not currently offered, please enquire with the music department.

## Hire of Instruments

The hire of instruments can be organised through the College via the Music Administrator. Instruments are provided by Size Music or the College. If you hire an instrument, you must complete and sign the 'Instrumental Hire Agreement Form' prior to receiving the instrument. Instruments can be kept over term breaks, however, must be returned to the College at the cancellation of lessons.

# Enrolment



Instrumental/vocal lessons commence in Term 1, Week 2 and run for 9 weeks in Terms 1, 2 and 3 and 7 weeks in Term 4 in an average year.

All enrolments must be via the Instrumental Enrolment Form which outlines the 'Terms and Conditions'.

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## Fees

Instrumental lesson fees will be invoiced prior to the term commencing and must be paid in full by the due date. If the fees remain outstanding after the due date, lessons may be suspended until payment is made.

All instrumental lessons are charged per half hour for the full term. Lesson costs and instrument hire costs can be found on the Instrumental Enrolment Form. Please note that tuition books and consumables may incur an additional cost and will be added to the tuition invoice where required. Additional costs may be payable for external music events. ie. Generations in Jazz.

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## Withdrawal from Lessons

Students are encouraged to persist with their chosen instrument for a full year, however, if a student wishes to cease instrumental lessons they must advise the Music Administrator by no later than the Friday of Week 8 the term prior. If a student withdraws from lessons mid-term, fees paid for that term will be forfeited. Refunds for lessons will not be provided.

# Ensembles Offered



Ensemble/Band	Age Or Ability Level
Percussion	Year 4 upwards
Guitar	Year 4-7
Staccato Strings (Beginner)	Year 3-5
Sinfonia Strings (Intermediate)	Year 6 -8
Sostenuto Strings (Advanced)	Year 9-12
String quartet 1	Auditioned
String quartet 2	Auditioned
Beginner Concert Band	All beginner students/band extension focus
Intermediate Concert Band	Minimum Grade 1 standard
Advanced Concert Band	Advanced Level
Stage Band 1	Auditioned
Junior Jingles	Year 3-4
Melodica	Year 5-6
Harmonia	Year 7-12
Luminaire (Jazz Vocal)	Year 8-12 Auditioned

NB: Ensembles are subject to change

## Ensemble Participation

At Pedare Christian College we believe that performing in small or large groups is an integral part of the music program. Ensemble participation offers students the opportunity to extend their skills, gain valuable team and performance experience and develop bonds with fellow students.

Ensembles operate at no extra cost to students and add value to the students learning, by enhancing their development from their instrumental lessons.

Students may participate in more than one ensemble in order to experience a variety of genre, teaching and musical styles. Once students have reached the appropriate level required, they are strongly encouraged to participate in a College ensemble.

# Ensemble Attendance



It is an expectation that students attend their ensemble rehearsals punctually and be fully prepared with music and instruments. If unable to attend an ensemble, notice must be given to the coordinator of that ensemble either in person or via the Music Administrator with as much notice as possible.

Students are to arrive in time to help set up, warm up and prepare for rehearsal, as well as help pack up at the end of the rehearsal.

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## Music Events

Students have the opportunity to participate in many College music events which can include: Music Showcases, Musicals, Generations in Jazz Festival, ABODA Band Festival, Balaklava Eisteddfod, Cabaret Night and Solo Recital Evenings. NB Additional costs may be payable for external music events. ie. Generations in Jazz.

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## Lesson Attendance

Students are expected to attend every lesson unless officially excused e.g. school excursion or illness. Students should attend each lesson on time and be fully prepared.

In situations where a student is unable to attend an instrumental lesson, they must advise the Music Administrator by no later than 8am on the day of the lesson. If the Music Administrator is not advised before this time, the lesson will be forfeited.

**Ms Carolyn Taylor – Music Administrator**

**P. 0419 601 872 or 8280 1700**

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**Office Hours. Monday to Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm**

When an instrumental lesson is scheduled midway through an academic lesson, as a matter of courtesy, students should advise their teacher at the beginning of the lesson that they will be leaving during the lesson.

# Music Practice Journal

All instrumental students will be provided with a Music Practice Journal. The tutor will record in the journal information regarding the lessons, including feedback and practice/homework the student needs to complete. These journals are also a form of communication between the parents/caregivers and the instrumental tutors.

Tutors expect students to bring their Music Practice Journal to each lesson.

# Semester Reporting

A formal written report will be provided to each student at the end of each semester outlining their progress.

# AMEB or other Examinations

It is an option for all students to participate in external exams whether through the AMEB or other provider of your choice, dependent upon recommendation by the tutor only. These exams incur additional cost and are organised through the College via the Music Administrator.

# Musical Scholarships

A limited number of scholarships are offered annually. For further information on requirements and eligibility, please contact the Community Relations Manager via email: [jholland@pedarecc.sa.edu.au](mailto:jholland@pedarecc.sa.edu.au) or phone: 8280 1700.

# Parent Involvement

There are certain events throughout the year when parent volunteers are needed to support performances, fundraising and event preparation. If this is something you would like to be involved in, please contact the Music Administrator. All volunteers must be approved as a College volunteer and meet the volunteer requirements. These requirements can be obtained from the College Office.





### Further Information

If you have any questions or would like more details regarding the instrumental music program, please contact:

Ms Carolyn Taylor, Music Administrator

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