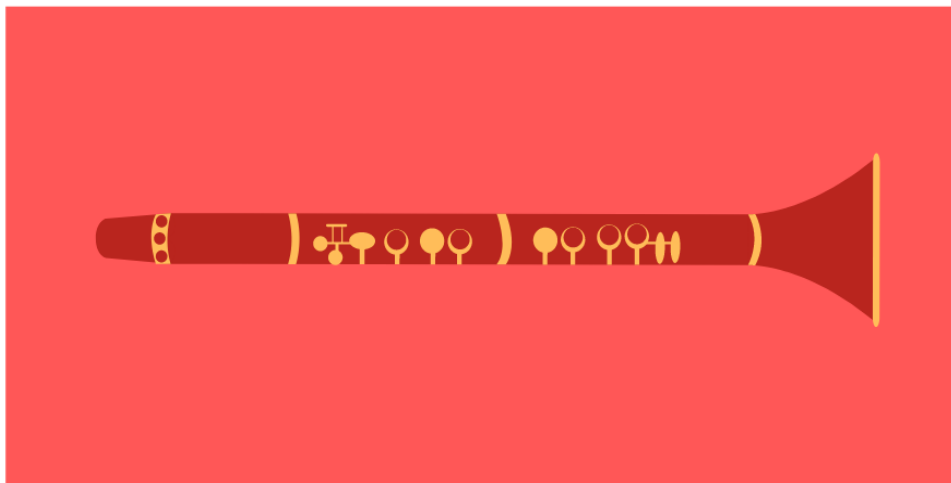
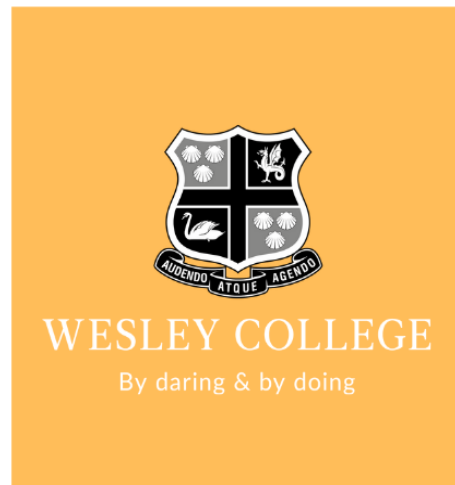




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YEAR 5 BAND





Year 5 Band

The aim of the Year 5 Band Program is to provide students with a practical music experience which allows them to engage in music making by learning a new instrument in an ensemble-based environment. The program is very “hands on” but is also designed to inspire creativity, teach basic music knowledge, improve fine motor skills and develop a sense of self-discipline through a structured practice routine. The major objective for these classes is to prepare at least two concert performances during the year for parents and friends.

All students who enter Year 5 are allocated a band instrument to form a balanced band within each class. The instruments they may be given include many from the brass and woodwind families as well as percussion. Students receive an instrumental lesson each week, during their Wednesday Music class in groups of two to three with one of the College’s instrumental tutors.

Students are strongly encouraged to continue with their allocated instrument in Year 6 and beyond in order to maximise the numerous ensemble and performance opportunities available to them as they progress through their Middle and Senior school years, as well as experiencing the many other benefits associated with learning an instrument.





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Music Band Class Structure

Students will attend Music twice a week and are required to bring their instrument and music book to each class. Additionally, for every Wednesday class students will receive a 30 minute lesson from a specialist instrumental tutor. On this day students should also bring their Music diary which is used by the tutor to set work and communicate with parents.

Instrument Storage

Storage for Year 5 instruments is located in the Transition Building.

Large instruments such as the Euphonium and Tuba can stay at home.

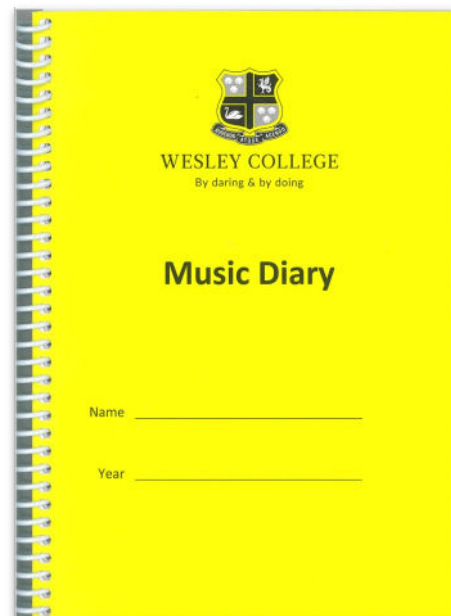


What to bring to each lesson

- Instrument
- Music Book
- Music Diary
- Pencil
- Eraser

Music Diary

Students will receive a Music Diary in the first week of lessons. Instrumental tutors will communicate what students need to



Practice Requirements

It is expected students will practice their instruments daily. As a beginner, 5-10 minutes daily is sufficient and this should increase to 15-20 minutes daily as their skill and technique develops.



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Which instrument will I learn to play?

At the beginning of Term 1 Instrumental teachers will demonstrate the various instruments available and students will have an opportunity to try instruments of interest and be assessed for suitability. Students will then be asked to nominate at least three instruments that they would be willing to play.

For information and short videos about each instrument visit the link below to help with the decision making:

<https://sites.google.com/a/katyisd.org/mcmeans-band/explore-the-instruments>



Instrument Hire

All instruments are hired free of charge to Year 5 students however, for insurance purposes an Instrument Hire Form will need to be completed and returned to the Music Office. All instruments are returned at the end of the year.

What if something goes wrong with my instrument

Please speak with your child's Instrumental tutor or bring the instrument to the Music Office. If possible, a replacement instrument will be given to your child whilst the instrument is being repaired.

Cleaning and care of your instrument

The Instrumental tutors will teach your child how to clean their instrument and take the best care possible.



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Black Belt Musicians Program

The Black Belt Musician Program is designed to encourage students to practise their instruments and to set goals to reach in their musical journey. Each week your child's Instrumental tutor will assign practice pieces or exercises and once the student has accomplished each level, will be awarded a certificate and a ribbon matching their belt status. Students who achieve their Black belt are presented with their certificate at Middle School Assembly and, where possible, invited to perform.

Black Belt Musician Levels

White Belt – Level 1
Yellow Belt – Level 2
Green Belt – Level 3
Red Belt – Level 4
Blue Belt – Level 5
Brown Belt – Level 6
Black Belt – Level 7



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Concerts

The Year 5 Band perform two concerts throughout the school year. These concerts provide a wonderful opportunity for students of all three classes to come together and perform as a massed band and showcase their development and achievements.

Coffee Concert

End of Term 2

Cupcake Concert

End of Term 4





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