February 18, 2016

Dear parents/carers,

Thank you for signing your child up to the 2016 music tuition program. We have 49 students enrolled and an average group size of 4-5 students.

Music tuition begins next week starting Monday 22nd February. Please drop students off a few minutes before their lesson so that they have time to walk to the music room. Students who have a 3.30 lesson may stay at school until their lesson starts. **Students will need to be picked up or walk home.** I can only provide emergency transport if absolutely necessary. Please see the attached map to find the music room. Parents and carers are welcome to attend the lesson.

To successfully learn an instrument, your child needs to do 3 things!

**Come to the lesson**
Students need to attend at least 80% of lessons. This means 8 out of 10 lessons each term. If children don't attend regularly, they may fall behind making it difficult for me to teach the group. Further, it makes it hard for them to keep up the momentum necessary to get enjoyment from their instrument.

**Be a good learner**
Being a good learner means following instructions and having a go, even if you're kids are a bit nervous or unsure of themselves. Please encourage your kids to show you what they're doing and tell them they sound good – even if they don't yet! Remember, with encouragement they will sound better each week.

**Practice three times a week**
Practice is the MOST important thing when learning an instrument. I only have them for half an hour a week. There is only so much we can do in this time! I will provide them with music and exercises to practice and an instrument to take home to practice on. They will need a quiet place to practice and some encouragement to do so three times a week.

Look forward to seeing you all next week

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