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# INFORMATION PACK



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# Welcome + Introduction

Hi, I'm Josh.

I have been a music educator for over 16 years in Geelong, Melbourne and the NT. I run a music school called Apollo Music Academy, with a team of experienced and enthusiastic teachers dedicated to nurturing musicians of all ages. As a passionate music teacher myself, I continue to keep my afternoons free to teach students personally in the Armstrong Creek Growth Area (the 3217 Community).

Being the Music Captain of Geelong College, achieving a Bachelor of Applied Music (Composition) and a Masters of Teaching (Primary), I tailor my lessons to provide opportunities for my students that I myself wished I had growing up.



## LOCATIONS + SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS



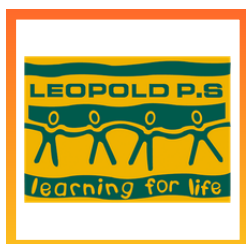
Personal Studio,  
Charlemont



Barwon Heads  
Primary School



St. Patrick's  
Primary School



Leopold  
Primary School



Mandama  
Primary School



Bellarine Arts Centre  
("Potato Shed"), Drysdale

# Programs + Lessons

## INSTRUMENTS OFFERED



Piano



Guitar



Drums



Vocals



Bass



Ukulele



Theory

## LESSON FORMATS

### Private 1-on-1

Student-Tailored lessons for personalised goals, with a structured curriculum for effective progress.



### Beginner Group Lessons

Learn The Basics of a Chosen Instrument



Intermediate Licence

### Intermediate Group Lessons

Further Your Instrumental Endeavours In Exciting Groups of Likeminded Musicians

+

### Rock Bands *(add-on)*

Learn To Collaborate With Other Musicians and Play In a Rock Band

# Programs + Lessons

## LESSON FORMATS

<b><u>Private Lessons</u></b> <i>Offered to all Students</i>	Students have 1-on-1 lessons with their teacher, exploring and developing their skills in a solo learning environment with personalised goals.	<b><u>Lesson Type</u></b> <b>Private</b>
<b><u>Beginner Groups</u></b> <i>Offered to New Students</i>	Students begin focusing on a chosen instrument, learning the fundamentals and aiming to acquire their Intermediate Licence.	<b><u>Lesson Type</u></b> <b>Group</b>
<b><u>Intermediates</u></b> <i>Offered to All Students With Intermediate Licence</i>	These lessons include 2-4 students, developing intermediate musical skills with the goal of performing adept pieces in a collaborative setting.	<b><u>Lesson Type</u></b> <b>Group</b>
<b><u>Rock Band</u></b> <i>(add-on)</i> <i>Offered to All Students With Intermediate Licence</i>	Students collaborate with other similar-levelled musicians to perform songs together and get involved in various events as a band.	<b><u>Lesson Type</u></b> <b>Group</b>

## CURRICULUM + EXAMINATIONS

Apollo Music Academy has an adaptable lesson structure and musical curriculum. Students will have a balanced diet of exercises, method book material and student-choice material.

Apollo Music Academy use the Rockscool Grading System for examinations through the AMEB Syllabus.



Australian  
Music  
Examinations  
Board



# How It Works

## ENROLMENT PROCESS



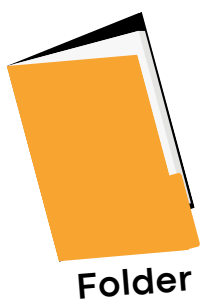
Enrol via the QR Code  
OR

[www.joshuahaymusic.com.au/enrol](http://www.joshuahaymusic.com.au/enrol)

Our administration staff will confirm your / your child's lesson day, time, location and teacher ASAP, with a link to connect to our Student Portal.

## WHAT IS INCLUDED

All new enrolments acquire an Apollo Music Starter Pack, which includes:



Folder



Music Notepad



Pencil

Wristband



Sticker



Curriculum Book  
(at additional cost)

Tote Bag



## WHAT TO BRING TO LESSONS

Each student should bring these items to each lesson to maximise their learning experience:

- All of the material in their Music Starter Pack,
- Their instrumental curriculum method book,
- Their instrument (if learning guitar, bass or ukulele),
- Any other relevant musical material necessary for the lesson.

# How It Works

## LESSON DURATION + FREQUENCY

All enrolments are termly commitments and occur weekly, and breaks are scheduled over the school holidays.

	30 Minute Lessons	Weekly Lessons	Trial Lessons Available
Private Lessons	✓	✓	✓
Beginner Group	If Group is 3+ 15 Minutes Extra at no additional cost	✓	✓
Intermediate Group	If Group is 3+ 15 Minutes Extra at no additional cost	✓	✗
Rock Band	✓	✓	✗

## PICK UP + DROP OFF

### Lessons At School, During School Time

Music teachers will pick up students from their classroom at their designated time (avoiding specialists where possible, conduct their lessons in a dedicated music room, and drop them back off to their class.

### Lessons At Any Location, After School Time

Parents or guardians are expected to drop off students to their lessons and pick them up immediately at the end of the lesson. Sit ins are welcome, but not recommended long term.

# Nurturing Musical Progress

## TEACHER GUIDANCE

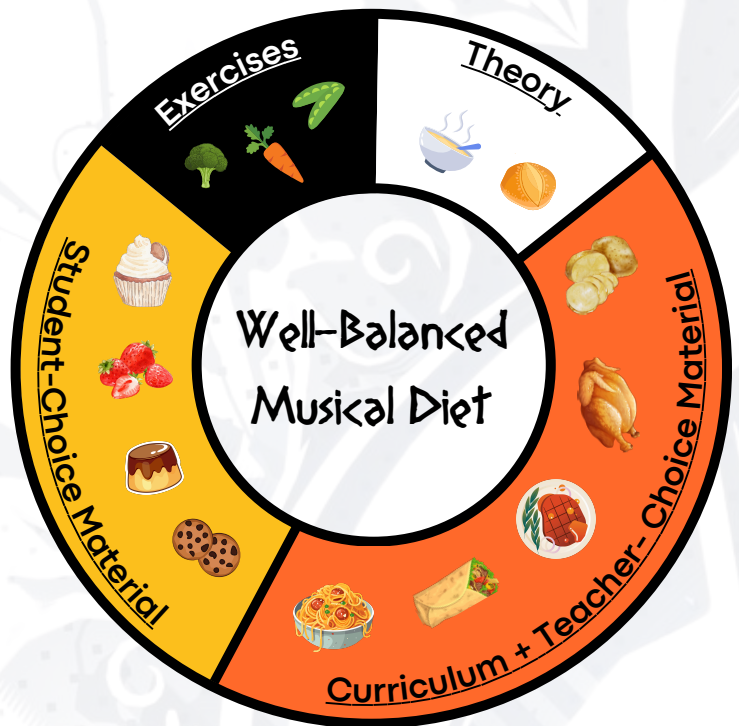
We pride ourselves on providing a well-rounded musical education.

Our teachers follow an adjustable lesson structure to suit the needs of each individual student, providing what they need to become adept musicians in the future.

## HOME PRACTICE SET UP

For the best experience and noticeable progress, we recommend that students have an instrument at home to practice on between lessons.

This ensures that concepts are reinforced and musical material gradually improves.



## PRACTICE EXPECTATIONS + ROUTINE

We recommend that students practice a minimum of



Routine is the hardest part to develop. Support at home is crucial when learning at a very young age.

3 Days a Week

+

15 Minutes Each

=



# Performance Opportunities

Performing is one of the key learning experiences in music education. There are many opportunities for students to showcase what they have been working on.

## END-OF-YEAR CONCERTS

This is our big event of the year, occurring in late-November to early-December. All students involved in our program have the opportunity to perform one piece of music they have been working on, individually or in a group.

Each end-of-year concert takes place at the applicable school or a venue for those who learn at one of our studios.



## ASSEMBLIES, SOIREES + TALENT SHOWS

Many schools offer the opportunity for students to perform music at each of their assemblies, talent shows and frequent soirees. Students who have a piece of music at performance-ready level can let their teacher know they are interested to perform at any upcoming event, and our administration staff can organise this for them.

## SCHOOL + COMMUNITY FAIRS

Many schools have annual fairs at their school. This is a great opportunity to get involved in a 'busking and karaoke' style of performance to gain that extra level of experience on stage.



# Fees + Policies

## FEES + ASSOCIATED COSTS

	Cost Per Term	Cost Per Material / Exam	LessonMate for Absences
Starter Pack	X	\$30 Once Off Fee	X
Beginner Groups	\$280 Per Term *	\$20-\$30 Per Book	X
Intermediate Groups	\$280 Per Term *	\$35-\$55 Per Book	X
Rock Bands (add-on)	\$220 Per Term *	X	X
Private Lessons	\$450 Per Term *	\$35-\$55 Per Book <hr/> \$90-\$120 Per Exam (Optional)	✓

\* Fees for Mid-Term enrolments are calculated pro rata

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

Term fees must be paid or a payment plan organised prior to commencing lessons. Payment plans are set up as instalments and paid via direct debit.

AutoPay (Direct Debit) is set up either over the phone or on the Student Portal.

# Fees + Policies

## CANCELLATION POLICIES

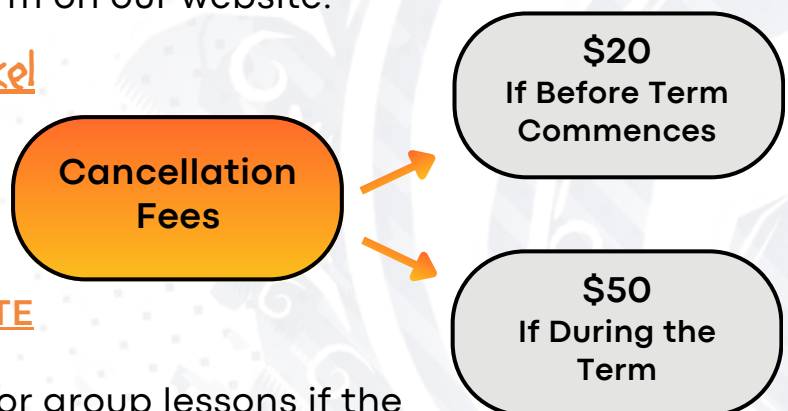
To cancel individual lessons, do this via the Student Portal.

Private Lessons Only: If you do this before the lessons commences, you will receive a constructed personalised video lesson via LessonMate via your teacher. If there is no communication of an absent, the student misses out on their lesson that week.

Group Lessons Only: Notification of absences from Group Lessons are appreciated, but cannot be caught up if the lesson still takes place.

Enrolment is ongoing unless formally cancelled. To cease involvement in our program altogether, fill out the form on our website.

[www.joshuahaymusic.com.au/cancel](http://www.joshuahaymusic.com.au/cancel)



## CATCH UP LESSONS & LESSONMATE

We do not offer catch up lessons for group lessons if the lesson/session still takes place.

For private lessons after school, if teachers are given notice, they will create a personalised video lesson for you in lieu of the missed lesson.

## SCHOOL EVENTS + TEACHER ABSENCES

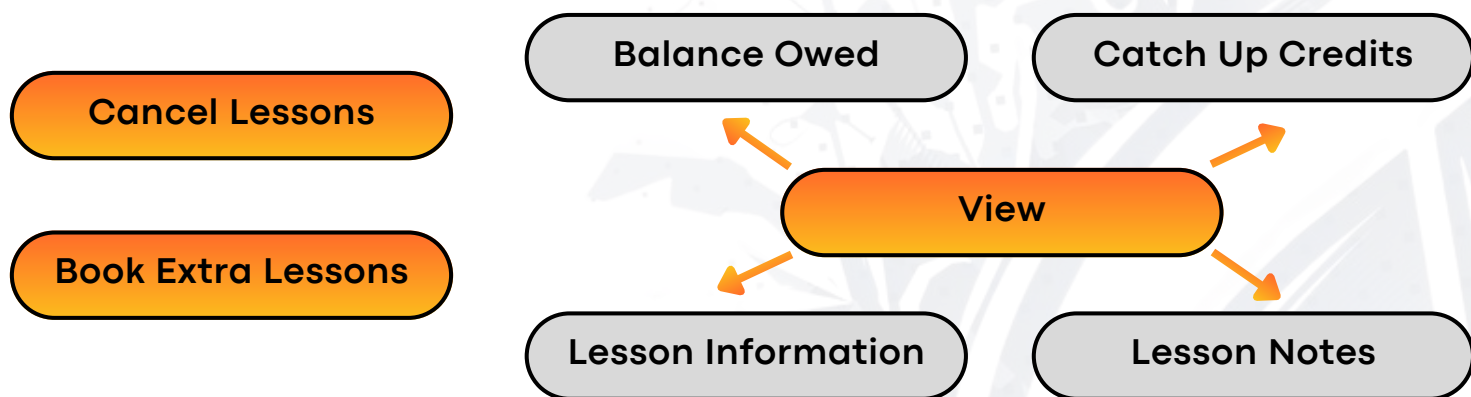
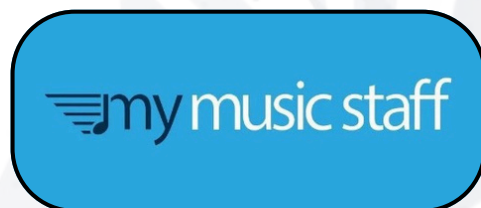
School events, such as camps, excursions, incursions, tests, etc. can obligate a Catch Up Credit for Private Lessons only or if the whole Group Lesson could not be conducted.

Teacher absences will obligate a substitute teacher or otherwise a Catch Up Credit.

# Student Portal + Communication

## STUDENT PORTAL - MY MUSIC STAFF (MMS)

My Music Staff (MMS) is our primary hub for both our teachers and our parents / guardians. You can use the Student Portal to:



For the most effective experience, please have MMS saved onto your phone and/or computer.

## COMMUNICATION

At Apollo Music Academy, we are set up to communicate with our teachers, primary school staff and our students and their parents and guardians. Our communication helps keep upcoming events known and necessary adjustments possible.



# Benefits + Research

## BENEFITS OF LEARNING MUSIC

### STUDENTS



#### Boosted Confidence

Build self-esteem through practice and performance.



#### Stronger Focus & Memory

Improve concentration and learning skills that support schoolwork.



#### Creativity & Expression

Explore emotions and ideas in a fun, positive way.



#### Teamwork & Friendships

Collaborate and connect with others through music.



#### Lifelong Skills

A gift of music that can be enjoyed at any age.

### PARENTS



#### Confidence & Growth

Know your child is building focus, discipline, and academic skills.



#### Pride & Joy

Enjoy seeing your child develop and share their music.



#### Stronger Family Connections

Share special moments at home and at performances.



#### Peace of Mind

Music offers a positive, screen-free activity for your child.



#### A Lasting Gift

Give your child a skill and passion they'll keep for life.



# Next Steps

## READY TO BEGIN?

There's no better time to start your / your child's musical journey than today. By enrolling with us, you're opening the door to creativity, confidence, and a lifelong love of music. Spaces are limited, so take the next step and secure your spot.

Let's make music together!



## HOW TO ENROL



Enrol via the QR Code,  
OR

[www.joshuahaymusic.com.au/sign-up](http://www.joshuahaymusic.com.au/sign-up)

## TRIAL LESSONS

Still deciding? If you'd like to see how we work before enrolling, we offer a no-obligation trial-pack so your child can experience the joy of learning music first hand. It's a no-pressure way to discover if we're the right fit, because we believe the best decision is one made with confidence.



Sign-Up here for a Trial-Pack





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