St Luke's Anglican School

Instrumental Music Remote Learning

If St Luke's Anglican School is required to move to an online learning platform our Remote Learning Plan will come into effect. There are two main remote learning methods available during the partial closure of the school.

Preferred Format

Online video lesson through Google Meets.

Alternative Format on Special Request

A digital practice and rehearsal pack will be shared with you and your child via Google Drive.

Live Video Lessons through Google Meets

Requirements prior to the lesson

To engage in live lessons over Google Meets, you will first need to fill out the appropriate permissions.

Requirements to conduct these one on one, online lessons include;

- 1. Written permission from a parent that their child can participate in a one on one, online lesson.
- 2. Written permission from a parent for these lessons to be recorded.
- 3. Students are not permitted to be in their bedrooms during these lessons.
- 4. Students are to be appropriately dressed as per non-uniform day guidelines.

Please fill out the following google form giving permission acknowledging these conditions.

Brass, Woodwind, String and Theory Students

Instrumental Music Online Lesson Permission Form

Piano Students (If you have completed this already, you do not need to do this again)

Piano Student Online Lesson Permission Form

Once we receive confirmation of your response we will be able to continue your child's instrumental music tuition through this platform.

Notification of Lesson Time

If the announcement is made that schools are moving to online learning in Term 2, Instrumental Music Timetables will be uploaded to the <u>Performing Arts Blog</u> and the St Luke's Anglican School App. Teachers will

then add a Google Calendar Invitation for the student's recurring lesson time. Notification of this meeting will be sent to the student's school email account. If your child is in Primary, this invitation will also be sent to the relevant parent.

Engaging with the Lesson

Step One: Teachers will send your child a google calendar invitation via email. This invitation will include a link to a Google Meet Session.

Step Two: 10 Minutes prior to the lesson your child will be sent a reminder email with the link to the Google Meet Session.

Step Three: At the start of the lesson time, click on the Google Meet link.

Step Four: Click on the green 'Join Now' button.

Step Five: You will need to ensure that you allow the computer to use your microphone and camera.

All going to plan, your child and their teacher will be able to engage in an online lesson. Teachers will wait on that session for 10 minutes. If the student does not join within 10 minutes and has not attempted to contact the teacher the lesson is considered offered.

As we all navigate engaging in lessons through this platform for the first time, we thank parents and students for your patience and consideration navigating any technical difficulties that we may encounter.

Absentee Guidelines

If your child is unable to attend their lesson for any reason, please notify the teacher at least 24 hours prior to their scheduled lesson time. If possible, the teacher will organise a different lesson time. Please be aware that teachers may have less flexibility to swap lesson times during remote learning periods.

Recorded rehearsal and practice videos with written feedback

Regardless of the form of lesson delivery your child will be allotted a time in the teacher's timetable. During this lesson time the teacher will develop their rehearsal and practice videos, and review submitted student recordings. The student will be required to complete tasks during the week and email recordings of these tasks at least 24 hours prior to their next lessons.

The teacher and student expectations of this method of delivery is below.

Lesson Time: Teacher will prepare and record learning materials for the student.

During the Week: Students will access these materials, complete and record set materials and upload them to their shared Instrumental Music folder at least 24 hours prior to their next lesson time.

Lesson Time in the following week: Feedback from previous recordings and new learning materials will be shared.

This cycle will continue for the duration of the remote learning timeframe. If your child does not actively engage with the recorded materials and practices, your Instrumental Music Teacher will contact the parent as per the School's Communication Policy.

Ensemble Rehearsals

Ensembles will still continue during periods of Remote Teaching. However, these sessions will look slightly different than our traditional rehearsals. Teachers will touch base with each ensemble on a weekly basis. These sessions will also be run through Google Meets and set up as an invitation to a calendar meeting just like their Instrumental Music Lessons. Each week the teacher will meet with the group to discuss which music students should be working on and whether or not recordings of parts are required. The music department is currently exploring options for 'Couch Ensembles' and these weekly meetings would go a long way in making this possible.

Rehearsal times are as follows:

Monday

8.00 am to 8.25 am - Junior and Beginner String Ensemble

Tuesday

8.00 am to 8.25 am - Junior Singers and Senior Concert Band

Wednesday

8.00 am to 8.25 am - Pops Orchestra and Lacov Elbmesne

Thursday

8.00 am to 8.25 am - Senior String Ensemble and Junior Concert Band

Friday

8.00 am to 8.25 am - Senior Orchestra

Please note: Junior Concert Band, Senior Concert Band and Senior Orchestra will commence in Week 3. All other ensembles commence Week 1.

Summary

Through these unprecedented times the St Luke's Anglican School Performing Arts Department is working tirelessly to continue providing your child with an exemplary music education. In times of great trial the positive impact that music can have on a person's mental health and wellbeing is increasingly important. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me by emailing sarah-ferguson@stlukes.gld.edu.au.

On behalf of the Instrumental Music teachers at St Luke's Anglican School, I thank you for your support, encouragement and understanding through these troubling times.

Sarah Ferguson

Director of Co-curricular (Cultural)

Frequently Asked Questions

What if a child is at school, but remote learning is in place? Students who are still on campus, should bring their instrument, music and laptop to school. At the time of their lesson, students should find a suitable room to participate in their scheduled online lesson.

What happens if students are not engaging with distance learning? If a child does not engage in the lessons or set lesson materials, their Instrumental Music Teacher will contact the parents as per the School's Communication Policy.

What if the Instrumental Music Teacher is away sick? The teacher will be in contact with you to rearrange your child's lesson.