

Treetops Montessori School

A different approach for Primary and Secondary education from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12
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Treetops Private Music Tuition Programme - Group and Individual Lessons

Students at Treetops have a number of options for private individual and/or group lessons. Our Private Music Tuition Programme offers the following instruments: piano, guitar (acoustic and electric), drums, and voice. Enrolled students are expected to commit to a minimum of one term of lessons.

LESSON LENGTH: Individual lessons are 15 - 30 minutes in length, depending on the student's age or other needs as discussed between parents/carers and their child's instrumental or voice tutor.

COST: The costs per lesson will depend upon instrument chosen, student age, and length of lesson. The peripatetic tutor will advise you when enrolment is processed. The fee is paid to the peripatetic music tutor directly if having individual or group lessons. Please note, fees are paid in advance of term start date and are charged at a flat rate dependent on the number of teaching weeks per term.

INSTRUMENT HIRE: Whilst it is assumed that some parents have their own family instruments, in the interest of making music accessible, the school offers guitar instrument hire options (acoustic – availability pending). Acoustic guitars are priced at \$20.00 per term and are invoiced through the school office.

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES: Students taking part in group or individual lessons may have opportunities to perform at school and/or public events throughout the year at the discretion of the School Music Programme Coordinator. These performances may include Recital Morning, Performing Arts Night, Shuukai (whole school assembly) and The Darlington Arts Festival.

These opportunities are encouraged to allow students to show their growth, effort put into practice, commitment and, most of all, to have fun connecting and building friendships and community through the shared experience.

ENROLMENT: If your child wishes to take part in any of the lessons in the tables below, please fill out the attached application form and return to the School Office as soon as possible. Group and individual lessons will start in Week 2 of each term and lessons will complete the week before term ends. If your child wishes to take part in multiple options, only one application form is necessary (tick all boxes that apply). Please be aware this may mean your child will miss one or more school timetabled lessons per week.

If you swap instruments or add a new one after commencing in the programme, please complete a new form. Your details will be passed onto the nominated peripatetic music teacher, who will contact you directly to confirm your child's engagement in the programme and their lesson day.

Treetops Individual Music Tuition		
Treetops offers the following individual lessons that take place during the school day.		
Voice lessons	Tania (voice tutor)	Tuesdays
Piano lessons	Raena (piano tutor) Kiran (piano tutor)	Tuesdays Wednesdays
Guitar lessons (acoustic/electric)	Aaron (guitar tutor)	Tuesdays
Drum lessons	Talya (drum tutor)	Mondays

Treetops Group Music Tuition		
Treetops offers the following group lessons, taking place in the Music room, over lunch times:		
Junior Vocal Group (Yr 1 - 3 students)	Tania (voice tutor)	Tuesdays 12.30pm - 1.00pm
Senior Vocal Group (Yr 4 - 12 students)	Tania (voice tutor)	Tuesdays 1.00pm – 1:30pm
Primary/Secondary Band (Yr 4 -12 students)	Mary (School Music co-ordinator)	Friday 12.50 – 1.25pm <i>Free of charge</i>
Taiko Group (Yr 3 -12 students)	Mary (School Music co-ordinator)	Thursday 12.50pm – 1.20pm <i>Free of charge</i>

Our Peripatetic Tutors

Talya Valenti – Drums

Talya is a professional musician with 13 years teaching experience. She graduated with a Bachelor of Jazz from the West Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA). She then went back to study Honours and was awarded First Class. Her teaching approach is based upon students learning the correct foundations whilst also responding to their individual needs and adapting to their learning style. She likes to explore drumming and music through the student's lens and ask what music they like so that they can enjoy the process of improving, learning and expanding upon their abilities.

Kiran Podmore – Piano

Kiran graduated from the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) in 2014 with a Bachelor's Degree in Music, majoring in Jazz Performance. As a hardworking musician and passionate performer, Kiran actively performs as a musician in the Perth music scene, playing the saxophone, piano/keyboard, and singing in multiple bands and ensembles. He composes and arranges music on a regular basis. Performing aside, Kiran has a passion for teaching the saxophone, piano, and music theory, and has taught a variety of students ranging from age four to university level. He has also worked with, written for, and performed in musical theatre shows, jazz big bands, and corporate cover bands to name a few. Always working tirelessly in the pursuit of creative and musical outlets, Kiran thoroughly enjoys being a musician and a music teacher.

Raena O'Simmons – Piano

Raena loves to make piano lessons engaging and fun. She owns her own music tutoring business, and teaches ukulele in addition to piano. Raena also performs in and around Perth with Jazz Vocal ensembles.

Tania Martin – Voice

Tania is an accomplished professional singer / songwriter and actor. Tania performs regularly at the Crown Casino and other professional establishments in and around Perth. She engages the local community in both children's and adults singing groups. She provides individual Voice lessons and small group lessons (Junior and Senior Vocal Group).

Aaron Woolley – Guitar

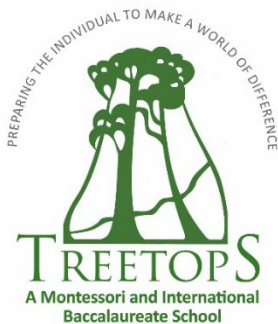
Aaron has been teaching guitar professionally since the early 80's. He has a diploma in Contemporary Guitar Playing from the London College of Music, as well as having performed with and backed many international acts over his profession career. Aaron feels teaching is all about having fun, helping the student feel relaxed and confident, and allowing the information to gradually develop over time so that their skills become second nature. Aaron still performs regularly here in Perth.

Mary Pollard – Taiko and Band

Japanese Taiko drumming is taught in a group environment and is a fun and interactive way to engage in music. Taiko drumming is energetic, theatrical, and great for students who want to learn drums in a less formal setting than private drum lessons. Rehearsals are once week, after students have eaten their lunch, in the Music room.

Band is for students starting in Year 4 (and above) and includes voice, keyboard, guitar, and drums. No previous experience is needed for any student to participate.

If you have any questions about group or individual lessons, please email Mary (School Music Programme Coordinator) m.pollard@treetops.wa.edu.au.



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TREETOPS PRIVATE MUSIC TUITION PROGRAMME ENROLMENT FORM 2023

Student's Name:			
Date of Birth:		Class:	

REQUESTED ENROLMENT:

Enrolment Commencement:	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
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Individual Lessons

Piano <input type="checkbox"/>	Guitar <input type="checkbox"/> (circle preference) Acoustic / Electric
Drums <input type="checkbox"/>	Voice <input type="checkbox"/> (individual lessons – see below for groups)

Group Lessons

Junior Vocal Group <input type="checkbox"/>	Taiko Drumming <input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Vocal Group <input type="checkbox"/>	Primary/Secondary Band <input type="checkbox"/>

PARENT/GUARDIAN DETAILS:

Parent/Guardian (1)

First Name:		Surname:	
Contact Phone Number:			
Contact Email:			

Parent/Guardian (2)

First Name:		Surname:	
Contact Phone Number:			
Contact Email:			

CONDITIONS OF ENROLMENT:

A new enrolment is required for each student at the start of each year, even if continuing with the same tutor. Siblings will require separate forms.

Once received by the peripatetic tutor, the enrolment of a student into a music lesson will be scheduled in line with the School's timetable. Music lessons with peripatetic tutors will take place during the school day and will require students to be withdrawn from standard school classes. Group lessons may be scheduled for lunch breaks.

In cases where the numbers of students enrolling exceeds the available lessons, students may be put on a waiting list.

The peripatetic tutor is responsible for communicating lesson times to the parent/guardian.

The peripatetic tutor is responsible for sending invoices and communicating if there are any absences of a tutor.

In the case of student absence (e.g. illness/holiday), the parent/guardian is responsible for notifying the peripatetic tutor, in advance of the scheduled lesson taking place. There will be no makeup classes nor refunds. In the case of peripatetic tutor absence, the tutor will communicate this directly with the parent. In the case where the school has a reason to cancel the lesson e.g. excursions, whole school events, in-school assessments, this will be communicated to the peripatetic tutor, and where possible arrangements made to make up lessons. It is unlikely that there will be an option to make up any missed lessons on an alternative day of the week to that normally scheduled.

Students remain enrolled in the music programme until written notice of withdrawal is given by the parent/guardian.

A new enrolment form is required to enrol for a new instrument or group lesson.

By signing this you agree:

- That the School will share your personal contact details with the peripatetic tutor. They will then be able to contact you with details about lessons and fees.
- To pay invoices directly to the peripatetic tutor in a timely manner, and understand that lessons may be put on hold until fees are paid.
- To your child being withdrawn each week from scheduled school class lessons to undertake their private music lesson. Group lessons may also take place during lunchtime breaks.
- To a timely advice to the peripatetic tutor of your child's absence from a lesson.

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Name: _____

Date: _____

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Date received:

Details given to peripatetic tutor:

Date of enrolment commencement: