

22 May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: School return – Music Faculty information

Please find below details about the commencement of music lessons and ensembles at Hutchins. Our plan is to restart ensembles in smaller groups of 10 at first to enable the boys to begin playing and singing with their orchestra, band, choir or chamber groups.

Instrumental lessons will commence next week however please liaise with your son's tutor if you have specific questions about their lessons.

We are very much looking forward to having the music back in the Music building, while being very conscious of running our program safely and with compliance according to set guidelines.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Individual instrumental and vocal lessons

- Kindergarten to Year 6 and Year 11 and 12 commence the week beginning 25 May.
- Years 7-10 lessons to continue online and resume week of 8 June at school.

Music ensemble rehearsals

Most ensembles will commence when the boys return to school. The ensembles will run in groups of 10 until 15 June when we will be able to move to groups of 20. Additional staff will be provided to cater for these smaller sections where needed.

Junior School ensembles to commence the week beginning 25 May

Year 5/6 Band Tuesday 3.30pm - 4.30pm
Paganini Strings Years 3-6 Wednesday 8.00am - 8.45am
Junior Orchestra Wednesday 3.15pm - 4.30pm

- Cubs and Pride choirs will resume when we can work within group size guidelines
- Chamber groups with less than 10 boys will run as usual

Middle School

- Middle School Orchestra and Concert Band will resume on Thursday 11 June 11 at the regular time during the school day.
- Middle School Choir will begin Friday 12 June 12 at lunchtime.
- Middle School chamber groups to commence as soon as boys are back at school.







Senior School

- Blue Note, Barbershop, Senior Vocal Group, Senior Stage Band, Guitar Ensemble, Spa Strings and smaller chamber groups will commence next week.
- Senior Concert Band and Senior Strings Orchestra will commence Monday 15 June at Hutchins when the Year 9 and 10 boys are able to join us. We hope to resume working with St Michael's Collegiate girls in Term 3.

If you have any queries, please contact the Music Faculty on 6221 4294.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Music

