



**Canberra High School**  
— ESTABLISHED 1938 —

Dear Parents/Carers

It's great that your child has shown an interest in doing School Band this year. We require students who sign up to band to agree to participate for the full school year (although they may swap instruments if needed).

Students in Band will be given the opportunity to develop and extend their skills in instrumental performance and music theory. Students will have the opportunity to play in a concert band.

All students should be rehearsing regularly at home to make progress on their instrument. To cover staffing, competition entries and to regularly buy new music for the band to play, we are also asking for a yearly band fee of \$60 for all students taking part in the band program.

In order for students to participate in band, they require access to an instrument that they can play at school and regularly practise on at home. Students are able to hire a variety of instruments from the Canberra High School Music Department, or they can bring their own instrument into school (obviously at no hiring charge). All hire funds go directly to maintaining the band instruments. Costs are \$170 for the school year (which includes the \$60 band fee). Students will be taught how to clean and maintain their instrument and will be supplied with cloths/grease/oils to do this with. The school services instruments on a rotational basis, and repair general wear and tear maintenance. If the instrument needs to be repaired/replaced for any other reason, costs will be forwarded to the hirer. Small repairs (bent keys, jammed keys etc are the most common) can be completed for a small fee - we use Tritone Brass & Woodwind in Ainslie for all our servicing/repairs.

In the event that the instrument needs replacing through being lost or severely damaged, there is a guide below to how much instruments would currently cost to be replaced (through Better Music, Phillip). Students will be provided with a cleaning cloth (that they will need to wash regularly!) and accessories which will need to be returned at the end of the year, and one reed (if applicable). Any replacements, including extra reeds, will need to be purchased from a music shop (we recommend Better Music in Phillip or Tritone Brass & Woodwind in Ainslie), or from us –

We are planning to take part in the Australian National Eisteddfod, Floriade, and will have a range of other performance events throughout the year. Students participating in band are expected to perform at all events. The cost of these events is included in the \$60. Please complete and return the form over the page if you would like your child to participate in band this year.

If you have any questions relating to band, please email: [school.information@canberrahs.act.edu.au](mailto:school.information@canberrahs.act.edu.au)

We understand that payments are sometimes difficult for families, and we are happy to organise a payment plan to spread the cost out. Please contact the front office or email [canberrahs.payments@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:canberrahs.payments@ed.act.edu.au) if you would like to arrange this.

Kind Regards,

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The prices are based on current RRP at Better Music:

	<b>Instrument replacement</b>	<b>Accessories</b>		<b>Instrument replacement</b>	<b>Accessories</b>
<b>Piccolo</b>	\$1599	Cloth \$10 Cork grease \$5	<b>Trumpet</b>	\$1149	Face washer \$6 Valve oil \$10 Slide grease \$6
<b>Flute</b>	\$1029	Cloth \$10 Rod \$10	<b>Trombone</b>	\$1349	Face washer \$6 Slide cream \$10
<b>Oboe</b>	\$3099	Cloth \$38 Cork grease \$5 Reeds \$33	<b>French Horn</b>	\$3299	Face washer \$6 Valve oil \$10 Slide grease \$6
<b>Clarinet</b>	\$950	Cloth \$20 Cork grease \$5 Reeds \$4	<b>Euphonium</b>	\$2819	Face washer \$6 Valve oil \$10 Slide grease \$6
<b>Bass Clarinet</b>	\$4699	Cloth \$30 Cork grease \$5 Reeds \$8	<b>Tuba</b>	\$5599	Face washer \$6 Valve oil \$10 Slide grease \$6
<b>Alto Saxophone</b>	\$1799	Cloth \$30 Cork grease \$5 Reeds \$5	<b>Bass Guitar</b>	\$400	Set of strings \$40 Headphone amp \$70 Tuner \$22
<b>Tenor Saxophone</b>	\$2399	Cloth \$30 Cork grease \$5 Reeds \$8	<b>Practice Glockenspiel</b>	\$200	Mallets \$5
			<b>Percussion Practice pads</b>	\$45	Drumsticks \$20



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Hire of School Band Instrument/Participation in School Band

Permission note to participate in Band activities.

Students and carers need to have this signed permission note in before they can take hired instruments home.

Please ensure your band payments are made before the end of semester 1, 2025.

Payment reference code: INS25

Amount Enclosed: \$170 (hiring + Band fees) OR \$60 (Band fees)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ACE Group: \_\_\_\_\_ (just year group in 2025 if not yet known)

Do you give permission for your child to be photographed/videoed at band events? (Please Circle)

Yes                  No

Preferred contact email address(es) for all band correspondence e.g. excursion arrangements:

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I give permission for my child to participate in Band for the 2025 school year.

PARENT / CARER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to attend regular band rehearsals and commit to Band for the 2025 school year.

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

If hiring a school instrument:

I understand that in the case of loss or damage to hired instrument(s) and/or accessories, costs will be forward to the hirer for repairs/replacement (see above for replacement costs). If instrument(s) are not returned before the end of the hire period additional hire costs will be incurred.

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT / CARER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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