

## **St Mary's Georges Hall School Band & Keyboard Program**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, and a very special welcome to our new students and parents! We are looking forward to another great year of making music. Correspondence will be via email. Please ensure this is your most up to date email address and notify TSA if you change it or would like additional parents/guardians added to our contact list.

### **BAND STUDENTS**

There are two components to the Band Program: group instrumental lessons and a full band rehearsal.

- **Full band rehearsal:** Start Monday 3 February from 8am in the Hall.
- **Group lessons:** Start Monday 3 February. Students will be collected from their class. Any items ordered through TSA will be distributed at the first lesson.
- **What to bring:** Instrument & pencil, *Accent on Achievement* book and band folder.

This first lesson will focus on showing new students how to set-up and care for their instruments. A final timetable of lesson groups will be developed in conjunction with the school early in the new term.

### **KEYBOARD STUDENTS**

Keyboard students are not required to attend full band rehearsals. Tuition for keyboard students will take place during class time and students will be collected from class by their tutor. Lessons commence on Monday 3 February.

### **IMPORTANT ITEMS**

**Fees** – Band and group tuition fees will be \$195 per term plus \$10 TSA resource levy. TSA will email invoices at the beginning of each school term and your invoice needs to be finalised within 2 weeks of issue or late fees will apply.

**Absence From Band Or Lessons** – if your child will be absent from band or lessons please be sure to contact your child's band director to notify them of this absence. In particular, absences to rehearsals or tuition outside of school hours must be communicated clearly so TSA can confirm your child is safe and accounted for.

**Creative Kids Vouchers** – TSA is a registered provider and all families can apply for their \$100 voucher by visiting [www.service.nsw.gov.au/creativekids](http://www.service.nsw.gov.au/creativekids). Once received, please submit your voucher via the TSA website at <https://teachingservices.com.au/creative-kids/>.

**Exiting the Band Program** – TSA requires notice by the end of any term if your child wishes to exit from the program in the next term.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Program Director: Miss Hannah Alexander [hannahalex247@gmail.com](mailto:hannahalex247@gmail.com) (timetabling, groups, band rehearsals)  
TSA Admin Staff: 9651 7333 (enrolments, instrument hire and service)  
TSA Website: [www.teachingservicesaustralia.com.au](http://www.teachingservicesaustralia.com.au) (notes are also available here)

***We wish your child all the best in the Band and Keyboard Program!  
Please let us know if we can help you in any way.***