

Smalls Rd PS Band Program – 2025

Dear Parents,

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 TSA has your current email address and check your junk/spam folder for communications.

BAND STRUCTURE

There are two components to the Band Program: group lessons and a full band rehearsal both held on the same day. **Please note, all group lessons take place after school.** Your band director will email you with further details.

- **Group lessons:** Start Thursday 13 February. A timetable will be emailed to parents.
- **What to bring:** Instrument if already purchased; items ordered through TSA will be distributed in the first lesson.
- **Full Band Rehearsal:** Beginners will not be required at band rehearsal **until Term 2**. Training Band rehearsals will be on Thursdays from 2:30 – 3pm.

Lessons will commence for 2025 on Thursday 13 February. Please send your child's instrument along with any band music/folder with them on that day. New students who have ordered instruments and accessories from TSA will be given theirs in their lesson that afternoon. Students will also require a black, A4 plastic sleeved display folder.

SUPERVISION AND DISMISSAL

Students need to attend their lessons after school in the Kookaburra Hub. TSA will supervise students during their 30 minute lesson time. Please make sure you pick your child up **from the Kookaburra Hub after their lesson** (*enter via OOSH gate, walk up to level 2 via the stairs between the library and the hall*). Students who attend after school care will be picked up & delivered back to OSHClub and signed out & in at this time.

Emergency Contact – 9651 7333 (select extension 1, Dural Music Centre, after 4:30pm)

IMPORTANT ITEMS

Fees – In 2025, band and tuition fees will be \$260 per term plus \$10 resource levy fee. 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 – if your child will be absent from band or lessons please notify the band director. In particular, absences from lessons and rehearsals outside of school hours must be communicated clearly so we can confirm your child is safe and accounted for.

Creative Kids Vouchers – TSA is a registered provider and families with Creative Kids Vouchers can apply them to term fees by entering voucher details via the TSA website here: <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

Band Director: Mr Ben Miesch ben@teachingservices.com.au (timetabling, groups, band rehearsals)

TSA Administration: 9651 7333 ext 2 (enrolments, billing, instrument hire and service)
tsaoffice@teachingservices.com.au

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