

MUSIC PROGRAM

Research has shown the benefits of music education. Music education can help develop language, memory, concentration, co-ordination, creative thinking and self-confidence.

We have a thriving music department at St Andrew's, where the music program follows the ACARA curriculum. Students have a weekly class music lesson where they listen to music, create and read music, sing, dance, play instruments and compose. In having these experiences, the students develop music skills such as beat, rhythm, pitch, dynamics, melody and harmony. Students in years 3-6 learn to play the recorder.

Our school has an auditioned choir for students in years 4-6 and it rehearses weekly. The School Choir participates annually in The Performing Arts Festival for Catholic Schools, as well as leading the singing at School Masses and providing much of the music at Christmas events.

A music ministry, made up of 6 year 6 students assists Mrs Mulholland in the Music Department.

INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM

At St Andrew's we are fortunate to have experienced and passionate music tutors who offer tuition for a variety of musical instruments. Lessons are paid for by parents and lessons are conducted on a rotating timetable during school time.

Many of our instrumentalists are members of the School Band, which practises for 45 minutes weekly during school hours. The School Band participates annually at the Performing Arts Festival, as well as performing to students and parents at various occasions through the year.

