

Instrument Hire

Integral to our aim of providing all Lindfield Public School students with an opportunity to play a string instrument is our instrument hire service. All children beginning in the program are able to hire from our extensive bank of instruments.

So that each Strings member is able to enjoy and get the most out of their participation in the Program, each student is expected to commit to regular practice, prompt arrival and consistent attendance at all Ensemble rehearsals and performances and all private tutorials. All students will require a music stand for practice at home.

Reports and Awards

Towards the end of the year, the children are issued a report from both the private tutor and the conductor. This enables you to see the progress they have made and also to see if they are ready to audition for the next ensemble. The ensembles are ability based and therefore will be placed accordingly.

In Term Four, a Music Assembly is held where every student participating in the Music programme receives an award. This gives the infants school children the opportunity to join the primary school children at the big assembly.

HOW TO JOIN

At the end of each year we offer an afternoon with a Free Trial Lesson for any child interested in learning a string instrument. On this special day your child has an opportunity to trial playing either the violin or cello (or both) and even to play in an ensemble. You will need to sign your child up for the Free Trial Lesson beforehand – details of how to do this are published in the Lindfield Lines in the weeks prior.

Following this, if your child is interested then you are welcome to enrol them for formal lessons and the ensemble programme starting in the following year and embark on a musical journey with them!

If you have any questions please email strings@lpspandc.org.au

Strings Committee

The Strings Committee is an active group of parents who are keen to foster an enthusiasm for music making and performance and to enable the students in the String Program to make a significant contribution to the musical culture of the school.

If you would like to be involved please email the Strings Committee: strings@lpspandc.org.au



One living tree brings forth buds,
Shinichi Suzuki 1969

Learning an instrument gives our children wonderful opportunities to grow...our children are the buds and music provides them the tree from which they blossom.



The String Program at Lindfield Public School (LPS) aims to offer an inspiring and holistic string education to all participating students. Weekly one-on-one tuition, combined with weekly string ensemble playing, allows the students to learn how to play (technique), what to play (solo and ensemble repertoire), and the skills needed to really enjoy belonging and contributing to a group.



Who can join?

String ensemble membership is open to all interested students from Kindergarten through to Year 6. There are five string groups at LPS – Mozart, Amadeus, Bach, Vivaldi and Ravel – ranging from beginner to advanced players.



Children have the option of learning violin, viola or cello and automatically become part of the school's string ensembles. Each ensemble rehearses once a week and the students also attend a weekly tutorial with an experienced instrumental

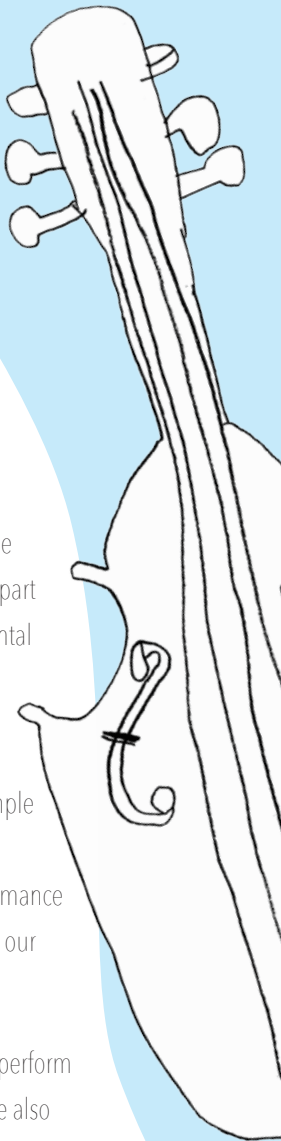
teacher. Tutorials are provided after school hours, at the school, or students may choose to learn outside of school. All members of the string ensembles must have weekly tuition.

What it includes

Under the careful guidance of our dedicated conductors Adrian Mansukhani and Mark Stevens, the ensembles have had some exciting musical experiences. Each year all String Program members attend the annual Music Camp with members of the school's Band Program. Highlights include performances at the Sydney Opera House as part of the Combined Strings Festival of Instrumental Music and performances at our own annual school Music Spectacular.

Regular visits within the community, for example to local nursing homes, are an important component of our program. Individual performance opportunities exist for all our string players at our regular String Concerts.

Families and teachers enjoy seeing students perform at their different levels at these fun events. We also have an enrichment program for our senior players from the Vivaldi Ensemble where they perform weekly for the other ensembles in the latter half of each year.



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