

Subject name Music

Subject code MUS

Course overview The Year 8 Music course is designed not only to provide the fundamental knowledge and skills required for a student to continue a study of Music in Years 9 and 10, but it is also intended to stimulate an understanding, appreciation and enjoyment of music as a leisure interest for the future. Through a study of Music, students will:

- gain an understanding of the elements of music and apply these through performance, composition and musicology response
- develop an appreciation of a variety of types of music styles
- acquire knowledge and understanding of musical instruments
- develop performance skills in instrumental and vocal music

Course outline

- Introduction to guitar, drum kit and keyboard
- Introduction to the elements of music
- Introduction to music technology
- Rock music characteristics and subgenres

A substantial amount of class time is given to practical skill development.

Assessment Making – compose and perform music with consideration of style

Responding – Analyse and evaluate music

Subject requirements

- Laptop
- 1 display folder
- 1 exercise book (48 pages) – may include manuscript
- 1 highlighter pen
- Wired earphones/headphones
- HB pencils

Career opportunities Careers in music are many and varied and include music librarian, publisher, therapist, composer, teacher (pre-school to tertiary) copyist, journalist, instrument maker, piano technician-tuner, instrument repairer, song writer, performer, retailer, sound engineer, theatre technician.