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2021 BLACKHEATH PUBLIC SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM

Interested students, currently in Years 2 to 5, are invited to join the school's 2021 band program.

The school band is made up of children in Years 3-6. Each child receives a weekly private lesson with an instrument tutor either before or after school. There are currently 4 tutors who visit the school to support the band program. The school band performs at school functions and at community events such as the Rhododendron Festival.

Band instruments include *woodwinds* – flute, clarinet, alto and tenor saxophone; *brass* – trumpet, French horn, trombone; *percussion* – kit drum, glockenspiel, and keyboard and electric bass. (Keyboard bass and kit drum places have been filled for 2021, however interested students can begin lessons on these instruments). The school has a small supply of instruments to loan to new students.

New students typically start lessons at the beginning of the year and join band throughout the year as they reach greater proficiency. In 2021 the school band will be in a building phase as many 2020 band members leave to start high school.

The cost of lessons with a private tutor is \$17.50 per week for a 15 minute lesson, or \$35 per week for a 1/2 hour lesson. There is no cost for attending band rehearsals. The band rehearses every Wednesday in the music room from 3pm - 4pm.

Please return the attached slip to register your child's interest in joining the school band program. You will be contacted in the new year to arrange a lesson time with one of our instrument tutors. Please contact the school if you would like to discuss the band program further with me.

Jenny Lanyon

Music teacher and band conductor

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My child _____ of class _____ (2020) would like to join the school band program. He/she is interested in playing the _____.

- I would / would not like to borrow a school instrument, if one is available.

- I would like my child to have a (please tick): ☐ 15 minute **or** ☐ 30 minute weekly lesson

Parent/carer name (please print): _____

Contact number: _____