Ku-ring-gai High School Concert Band - Program Information Sheet 2018

INTRODUCTION

Ku-ring-gai High School Band Program enables students to actively participate in a Band Program that delivers an enriched musical experience, enjoyment and a sense of teamwork. There will be opportunities throughout the year which will continue to develop, improve and inspire each student's musical ability.

The Band Program is a self funded committee of the P&C and is administered by volunteer parents. All Band Program parents are invited and encouraged to attend committee meetings and contribute to the decision making. Your feedback and input is valued.

More information on 2018 activities to come as details become known. Performances include:

- NSW High School Band Competition
- At school performances at assembly and presentation events
- Local Primary School Band Tour
- St Ives Festival on the Green
- Other performance ensemble opportunities

We look forward to welcoming new band members in 2018 in which all members can maximise their enjoyment of music and participation in the Ku-ring-gai High School Band Program.

INSTRUMENT

It is expected that students will supply their own instruments. The school does keep a supply of band instruments, but for certain instruments (e.g. drums), the school may be in a position to assist. Please ask us to clarify on what instruments may be available.

Where students do not currently own an instrument, a hire/buy arrangement is available from Turramurra Music for student families to organise outside of the school.

REHEARSAL TIMES

Band rehearsal time: Wednesdays during term at 7.30am for a 7.40 start. Practices run until approximately 8.45am. All rehearsals, unless otherwise notified take place weekly in the band room in the Curie building. Any queries regarding band rehearsals should be directed to the band conductor Robert Sidaway via email rob_g_s@yahoo.com

EXPECTATIONS FROM BAND PROGAM STUDENTS

- Punctuality to all rehearsals and performances is required. Late arrivals and early departures can be disruptive.
- Attendance at rehearsals and performances is mandatory unless otherwise arranged with the band conductor or committee liaison person.
- Students should always help to set up and clear away after each practice.
- Students should ensure that their instrument is regularly maintained.

- Band members are expected to treat each other, the band director and any other adults helping with the band with respect.
- Students will be provided with 'home copy' practice music. Students are responsible for their practice music. All music is to be returned upon request at the end of the year.

ANNUAL FEES

Like most schools, Ku-ring-gai High School charges an annual fee for membership of its band. The money collected pays for our conductor, equipment, purchase of sheet music and any additional expenses. Students will be issued with an invoice in Term 1 & payments should be made to 'Ku-ring-gai High School' via the school office. The annual band fee per student is \$250. The Committee takes a "no pay / no play" approach to fee payments from Term 2 unless prior arrangements have been made with the Committee, to ensure the programme expenses are covered for the year.

BAND PROGRAM COMMUNICATION

All communications for the Band Program will be via email. News updates and details about upcoming events will be emailed to band members and families. All band members are asked to provide an email contact address for both a parent/guardian, and the student. Any queries regarding the band program contact Sashe Fischer on sashe@bigpond.com ph: 0425237135

Students and their band conductors work hard to achieve great results, and as a parent, the best way to show your support for these endeavours is to get involved and support your child by attending performances, and encouraging full participation in practices and all band activities.

BAND COMMITTEE ROLES

PARENTAL SUPPORT:

Contact us if you can assist to support the success of the programme during 2018. We are currently looking for a band parent to be the 'Band Photographer' at events- let us know if you'd like this role.

BAND PROGRAM	REGISTRATION FORM 2018
Family Name:	Given Name:
Male/Female: Date of Birth:	School Year:
Instrument:	Level:
2nd Instrument (if any)	Level:
Parents Name:	mobile:
Parents Name:	mobile:
Address:	P/code:
Student Email: All Band communications regarding events are sent via email	Parent email:
Urgent Medical requirements:	

I would be willing to become involved in assisting with the Band Program