PRIVATE MUSIC PROGRAM POLICY - 2013

To be reviewed : 2016

RATIONALE:

The provision of a private Music program offers the opportunity for children to further develop their musical ability. This program is seen as an extension of the classroom Music program provided for all children in the school. The private Music program offers an affordable and convenient opportunity for children to learn to sing or play a musical instrument.

AIMS:

- For children to explore and develop their musical talents through singing or by learning a musical instrument.
- To provide a convenient opportunity for the children to learn to sing or play a musical instrument.
- To provide children with an opportunity to perform in front of an audience (ie at school Assemblies, special events, for their parents).

IMPLEMENTATION:

The Principal of the Music School engaged by Our Lady’s School will oversee the program. Their role will be to:

- Directly liaise with the Music teacher/s.
- Coordinate two Music Instrumental performances for parents during the year, after consultation of dates with the School Principal.
- Advertise the program via the School Newsletter.
- Inform parents of the programs and costs, including GST component (where applicable) and instrument hire.
- Inform parents of the name of their child’s teacher and how to contact him/her, what materials are needed and when the lessons are scheduled.
- Provide timetables to the school at the beginning of the year or whenever a change occurs in their scheduling.

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• All communication regarding teachers and students is to be directed to the Principal of the Music School.

• Our Lady’s School will cover the costs of limited photocopying and electricity.

• Children may begin to learn to sing or play an instrument from Prep, but their lessons will be scheduled in either break or after 12.45pm (where practicable).

• Children will be allowed to either learn to sing or learn an instrument, not both, due to the time out of class.

• The children will attend Music lessons during the school day. Parents will be informed that their child will be missing some work each week, but this will not be a Specialist subject area (within reason).

• Private Music tuition will not be conducted in the Literacy block (where possible).

• The Music Teacher/s will communicate directly with the Principal (or nominated Coordinator) regarding enrolment details i.e. name, contact details, instrument, choice of class, age.

• In fairness to all, enrolments will be accepted on a ‘first come, first serve’ basis and will depend upon up to date school fee payments.

• The Music teacher/s will issue receipts directly to parents.

• The Principal of the Music School must ensure Working With Children Checks / VIT Registration of their staff, and provide details of these to Our Lady’s School Principal.

EVALUATION:
The program will be evaluated as part of the school’s three yearly cycle, or as required.