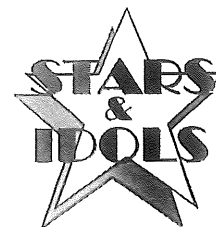




STARS & IDOLS MUSIC STUDIO



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Dear Parent/Guardian

This letter is to find interested students for the instrumental program at your school. Our "in-school" program is currently running in Cambooya, Geham, Goombungee, Meringandan, St Saviour's, Vale View & Wyreema. The emphasis is on guitar, keyboard, bass guitar & drums but we include orchestral instruments when available and encourage children to sing in the band. Most of the material is drawn from our studio, STARS & IDOLS, which teaches many students at various locations in and around Toowoomba. If you require further information about the studio please go to our website www.starsandidols.com.au or call/text me on 0402 349 301.

We suggest guitar, keyboard, bass or drums for years 4 - 7 and keyboard or drums for years 2 - 3.

The program teaches children how to play their instrument, read music where necessary, co-operate with others and develop a love and enthusiasm for music. Children learn on instruments they can relate to and play music they are familiar with, from classic rock songs to selected songs from the current pop charts. They receive a 30 minute lesson in a band-type situation on their selected instrument during school hours. As well as using chord charts or music sheets they are given a DVD containing many of the songs they will be learning for the term which is highly motivational as it has STARS & IDOLS staff actually playing the songs - a little like taking the teacher home with you to help with homework! We try to make lessons fun as well as successful as we believe the most important reason for learning music is enjoyment!

If you would like your child/children to be involved could you please fill out the attached form and return it to the school office. Lessons will commence as soon as possible. We supply instruments for the lessons (guitars, basses, keyboards & drums) but children will eventually need their own for home practice. STARS & IDOLS can hire "take-home" instruments (guitars / keyboards - when available) for \$5.00 per week if necessary but it IS more cost effective for parents to buy them! We will send home a note to parents re the best way to buy instruments if requested. Drummers will only need a drum pad & sticks. - cost about \$40.00 and available at any music store or we will get them for you if your school is a little out of town!

Cost is \$12 per lesson or \$100.00 for the term and payment options are set out on the attached sheet.

Thank you for your interest,

Jim Dowling

STARS & IDOLS INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM 2015

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE

NAME OF STUDENT _____ CLASS _____

INSTRUMENT - (CIRCLE ONE) GUITAR - BASS GUITAR - KEYBOARD - DRUMS

POSTAL ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE (pref. mobile) _____
(where possible we text short notices - concert times, relevant workshops etc)

PAYMENT OPTIONS :- Lesson cost is \$12.00 if paid weekly or \$100.00 (Or 2 x \$50.00) for the term

NB - IF PAYING BY THE TERM THERE WILL BE NO CREDITS FOR LESSONS MISSED

IF PAYING WEEKLY - please ensure money either goes into our account ASAP after the lesson or to us via your child on the day (there will be a collection letterbox in the school office) - too many missed/late payments may result in exclusion for your child - a last resort - if you're having trouble paying please call / text Mr. D ASAP - we are very understanding and will try to work something out. You should receive an invoice with bank details etc by week two or three.

I would like to enroll my child in the instrumental program and agree to pay either \$12.00 weekly or \$100.00 for the term to STARS & IDOLS.

Signed _____ PRINT NAME _____

The following is to allow us to use photos of your child on our website, in the newspaper etc - you DO NOT HAVE to sign it - it just saves us getting permission every time! Names/details will NOT be mentioned.

I agree that STARS & IDOLS can use photos of my child, taken in musical context (i.e. bands) at school performances & at concerts to help promote the instrumental program.

Signed _____ (parent / guardian)