



St Benedict's Primary School

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Friday 6th December, 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

St Benedict's Primary School together with The Canberra College of Piping and Drumming would like to start their very own pipes and drums band in 2020.

About The Canberra College of Piping and Drumming

The Canberra College of Piping & Drumming was established in 1998 to promote the teaching, playing and appreciation of pipe band music. Since its inception, the College has taught many hundreds of students and has established itself as one of Australia's foremost pipe band instruction institutions. As well as conducting lessons for Bagpipes, Snare, Tenor and Bass Drums, the College is also the promoter of the annual Highland Gathering held in Kambah which is now the largest Highland Gathering of its kind in Australia.

The College, with strong support from the Canberra Burns Club, is particularly keen for young people to learn about Scottish pipes and drums and, with this in mind, we are constructing a programme to form a youth pipe band in Canberra – the first of its kind.

For more information about the College, visit
www.canberracollegepipesdrums.org

Who is able to join the pipes and drums band?

Any students who will be in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6 in 2020 are invited to take part.

When will we rehearse?

Wednesdays 3.15pm-4.00pm

Where will we rehearse?

In the music room at St Benedict's Primary School

How much will it cost?

Lessons

\$300 per term (group rate)

Private lessons are available through the College at an additional cost

Instrument hire

Pipes

- Practise chanter - \$25 per term (to hire) or \$150 upfront (to purchase)
- Bagpipes hire - \$100 per term (once competent on practise chanter)
- Piping tutor book - \$35

Drum

- Snare drum practise pad - \$50 (to purchase)

- Drum sticks - \$25 (to purchase)
- Drum tutor book - \$40

The College will invoice students at the end of each term, but are happy to discuss alternate payment plans on a case by case basis.

All payments to be made directly to the College.

Contact

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Beth Moores (St. Benedict's Primary School Music Teacher)

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[If you would like your child to participate, please complete the permission slip below and return to Mrs McRae or Miss Moores by Friday 13th December 2019.](#)

[Kind regards,](#)

[Beth Moores](#)
[Music Teacher](#)

[I give permission for my child _____ to participate in the St Benedict's Primary School Pipes and Drums band.](#)

[They would like to play \(please tick one\)](#)

- Pipes
- Drums

Parent/carer name (please print): _____

Parent/carer signature: _____ Date: _____