

ST IVES NORTH MUSIC PROGRAM

ABOUT THE SINPS MUSIC PROGRAM

- P&C run extra-curricular program providing students with the opportunity to learn to play within a music ensemble.
- The Music Program employs professional conductors and provides contemporary (**BAND**) and classical (**STRINGS**) music streams. Students usually play in only one of these streams.
- The Band ensembles and String Ensembles rehearse twice a week, outside of school hours. Members **must also attend weekly private tuition** on their chosen instrument.
- Annual music program fees for the concert bands 2026: \$750 per year, \$450 for music camp and \$25 for the Essential Elements Book 1 which is used by the Training Band.
- All ensembles take part in external festivals and in school performances.

THE BAND PROGRAM

Three Concert Bands:

- Training Band
- Junior Concert Band
- Senior Concert Band

TRAINING BAND: No prior experience is needed, and entry is at the beginning of Term 1. The band program is for children in Year 3 and above.

JUNIOR CONCERT BAND and SENIOR CONCERT BAND: Children who have more than one year experience in a band instrument. Entry via audition.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

Group	1st Rehearsal	2nd Rehearsal
Training Band	Monday 3:05-4:05 pm	Wednesday 3:05-4:05 pm
Junior Concert Band	Wednesday 7:45-8:45 am	Thursday 3:05-4:05 pm
Senior Concert Band	Tuesday 3:05-4:05 pm	Friday 3:05-4:05 pm

KEY DATES & REGISTRATION PROCESS for TRAINING BAND

1) On-line Registration

Parents / Carers of students wishing to play in the Training Band **MUST** register an Expression of Interest via the registration link below by **Friday 24 October**.

Please select Training Band 2026 EOI under groups in the registration form and no need to enter instrument preference, as your child will discuss instrument choices in the instrument selection session with our band director.

All registrations must be done online using the following web address:

<https://portal.msmusic.com.au/sinpsmusic>

- 2) Upon registering your child, you will receive an invoice for a **\$50 non-refundable deposit**, which will be used as a credit against the music program fees in 2026. This fee is due on 31 October. **No instrument will be allocated to students who have not paid this deposit by the due date.**

3) Instrument Selection

Students who have been registered for the Training Band 2026 EOI will be invited to attend an instrument selection session on **4, 5 or 12 November**. Our Training Band Conductor, Mr Colin Smith, will discuss instrument choice with the students and make recommendations. Assignment of instruments will be communicated shortly after the sessions. There is no need for parents/carers to attend this.

4) Training Band Information Night

Parents will be invited to attend an information session specifically for the Training Band on **24 November** when instrument allocation will be shared with families and a chance to hear first-hand about the band from Mr Colin Smith.

A copy of the **Music Program Handbook** and other useful information is available on the school music website at <https://www.sinpspnc.org.au/music>

CONTACT US

After reading the handbook if you have any additional questions please email:

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