In Instrumental Music at Trinity Lutheran College is an integral part of the curriculum and is an enriching experience in which all students can be involved. In addition to the classroom music subjects offered at each year level, the Instrumental Program gives students the opportunity to learn an instrument of their choice and be involved in a performance ensemble.

LESSONS & TIMETABLES:
Students will be allocated an individual weekly lesson. These lessons take place on a set time each week. A timetable will be given to each student and their homeroom teacher at the beginning of each term. Students are responsible to remember and attend their lessons. If students do not attend their lesson payment is still required. The only exception is when lesson is missed due to an event on the college calendar, when an alternate time will be arranged by the Instrumental Teacher where possible.

Students enrolled in more than 2 instrumental lessons per week will have their third lesson timetabled during recess, lunch, before school or after school in consultation with parents.

EXPECTATIONS:
Students are expected to attend all lessons promptly. Students are encouraged to join college ensembles and/or choirs and to prepare individual performances for college functions when they reach an appropriate level of skill. All students are required to attend their instrumental lessons on time without a reminder phone call to their classroom. Parents are responsible in ensuring that their child is prepared for their instrumental lessons. Students must practice regularly as advised by their teacher. A general practice routine can range from 10 minutes each day for beginners to 45 minutes each day for senior or more accomplished students.

FEE STRUCTURE:
The instrumental music program operates according to the four school terms. Normally ten lessons are scheduled each term. Fluctuating lesson numbers are due to term length, public holidays, student free days, sports days etc. Lesson and instrument hire are charged separately from college fees. These accounts are issued at the start of each term and are payable within 28 days. All lessons missed will still require payment unless it is due to school organised activity where the Instrumental teacher is unable to provide an alternate suitable time.

TERMINATION OF LESSONS:
We ask that parents and students continue with the instrumental music program for a minimum of one year. Trinity Lutheran College requires at least 1 term’s notice in writing from the parent/caregiver and addressed to the Instrumental Program Coordinator.

EXTENDED LEAVE:
Any student who will be absent from school for an extended period of time either due to sickness or holidays must give written notification to the instrumental teacher outlining the length of absence. This is a requirement if a position is to be held open in the instrumental music program. Where instrumental student positions are limited a deposit may be required to hold that position.