



**CHRIST'S COLLEGE**  
CANTERBURY

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Dear Parents

### **Instrument Tuition**

Tutors visit College to teach all orchestral instruments, plus traditional piano, jazz piano, modern piano/keyboard, pipe organ, guitar, electric and bass guitar, drums and voice. Lessons are timetabled, with students coming out of class on a rotation basis so that the same class is not missed each week.

All tutors are vetted by the College and are renowned for their quality teaching and also for being professional practitioners. Many of our tutors are also members of the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra.

Lessons are arranged through the Director of Music.

### **Chapel Choir**

The choir has a long-standing tradition in the College, and not only leads the Chapel weekly services but also sings at a number of functions and concerts in the city.

In 2017, members toured Europe and performed at some of the world's most renowned churches and cathedrals.

The choir has been regularly selected as one of the top secondary school choirs in the Big Sing national finals, receiving bronze, silver and gold awards in recent years.

All Year 9 students are auditioned on their orientation day, with other students being auditioned on Wednesday 1 February from 3pm-5pm and 6pm-7.30pm.

#### ***Choir Rehearsals:***

Tuesday 1.15pm-1.45pm for trebles

Wednesday 5.45pm-6.45pm for altos, tenors and basses

Friday 5.45pm-6.45pm for full choir

A meal is served in the dining hall at 5.15pm for choir members when required for an evening rehearsal.

### **Orchestra and Big Band**

Learning an instrument is popular at College, with many boys belonging to one or more music groups.

All instrumentalists meet in the Music School on Tuesday 7 February at 4pm, where the various groups are explained and students sign up for those they would like to join.

***Orchestra and Big Band Rehearsals:***

Big Band Monday 6pm-8pm (weekly) & Thursday 8am-9.30am (alternate weeks)

Orchestra Tuesday 4pm-5.15pm

Chamber Orchestra (3.35pm-5.00pm)

**Chamber Music**

Opportunities are available for those students who are at a high level of proficiency on their instrument and would like to play in a small group.

**Please click on the link below to enrol your son in Music 2019**

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