

# Top note Hukanui Band Programme

## Welcome to the Top Note -Hukanui Band Programme.

Our programme teaches

- flutes
- clarinets
- alto sax
- trumpet
- trombone
- marimba
- drums/unpitched percussion

Each week the students have an instrumental lesson and an ensemble (band/drumline), these happen during school time.

**Group Lessons:** up to 5 students, 30 minutes. If there is only one child suitable for a particular group they will have a 15 minute one on one lesson until such a time as there is a group that is suitable.

**Individual Lessons:** 1 student, 30 minutes. Suitable for someone who is wanting/needing to push further, catchup or work harder. Individual lessons are strongly recommended for students who struggle to stay focused or have other issues that may affect their learning. Students can switch into a group when the tutor says they are ready.

**Prompt payment discount:** If tuition fees are paid **on time** then **next term** there will be a discount.

**No hidden costs.** Getting started on any project always entails several different costs. There are three costs of learning an instrument:

1. the instrument (hire/buy),
2. tuition
3. start-up paraphernalia (book, stand, etc, etc, etc)

**Top Note** has endeavoured to make the process as easy as possible by sourcing as many of the start-up items as possible and getting you a good price, thus saving you money and time and stress in sourcing the correct equipment.

## Costs

### Instrument hire (annual expense until you buy)

**Top Note:** xylophone, trumpets and trombones \$215

**ABI** hire flute, clarinet, saxophones, please see their info sheets for full details.

Consumables: please note that clarinets and saxophones will occasionally need new reeds and trumpets and trombones may need additional 'oil' at some point. These can be supplied by **Top Note** tutors. Tuners will need batteries too!

### Tuition (ongoing expense)

Group lessons \$22 per week invoiced by term.

Individual lessons \$33 per week invoiced by term.

### Essential Gear (one off expense)

**Percussion start-up kit:** Sticks, practice pad, metronome, music stand, earplugs, clear-folder, band bag: approx \$160

**Trumpet /trombone start-up kit:** Music stand, tutor book, band bag, tuner, folder, 'oil', cleaning kit. Approx \$180

**Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone start-up kit:** Music stand, tutor book, band bag, tuner, folder. Approx \$120

**Marimba** Mallets, music stand, band bag, metronome, book, clear folder: approx \$200

If you already have a stand, tuner or metronome: please contact me for a revised kit/price.

Children in the band who are learning OUTSIDE of the **Top Note** programme will need to pay a \$69+gst annual band fee to cover band costs

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