

GEMS MUSIC COACHING PROGRAM: Terms and Conditions

GEMS Music Coaching Programme (MCP) offers vocal and instrumental tuition with highly skilled and industry experienced professionals who come to GEMS Tropicana Metropark each week. Each of these teachers is a specialist in a particular instrument and they provide individual and small ensemble instructions.

Lessons

The lessons are rotated around the school timetable as not to miss the same lesson within a term. Lessons last 40 minutes and students will be given a practice booklet which will be monitored by the teacher. Lessons will be recorded and stored on Class Dojo to track progress and also for parents to view. Students are required to bring a folder for all their sheet music and worksheet that will be provided during lessons

Instruments

In order to maximise progress it is a requirement that students have their own instrument, with the exception of beginner harp, piano, drum kit, and bass guitar. If you require assistance on purchasing any instrument, do contact the MCP teacher directly. Students have the opportunity to book practice rooms at lunch time and after school to practise their instruments.

Timetables

Upon receipt of your online application you will be contacted in relation to timetable and the instrument teacher. These timetables will also be displayed in the music department notice board and made available to class teachers. To widen the rotation it is possible that lessons may alternate to a different day and possibly take part of lunch time or after school.

Fees & Payment

Individual lessons costs RM74 and shared lessons cost RM50. If a shared lesson cannot be paired you will either be put on a waiting list, or asked to consider an individual lesson.

The total lessons for the term will be calculated and parents will be invoiced on a termly basis. All payments are dealt through the Finance department on the ground floor:
accounts_gim@gemsedu.com

Punctuality

In the initial stages of the programme Primary students will be collected from lessons by the teacher themselves. This will be reviewed termly. Students in secondary school will require a music pass from either the instrumental teacher or Ms Anthonia (Secondary Music Specialist).

Meet the teachers

Parents are encouraged to come and meet the instrumental teachers and can take direct contact details. All teachers are active performers and studio session musicians which may be of interest to some parents. It is important that a strong relationship develops between students, teacher, and parents. Kindly make appointment with the teachers directly if you would like to meet them. If you have concerns regarding the MCP teachers, kindly make an appointment to meet with Ms Ann Peter (ann.p_gim@gemsedu.com).

Replacement classes

All fees paid are a salary to the music teacher regardless of termination, forgotten lessons, days off school or any other absence. At the teachers discretion they may use some of the blank weeks to offer lessons, but often their own teaching load or performance schedule may not make this possible. In the instance where a school event has taken a music lessons then a replacement class will be arranged. Lessons cancelled without prior notice or last minute cancellation by parents or students will not be replaced. If the students are ill and will be absent from school, email should be sent to the music teacher the night before. If the music teacher is absent through sickness then replacement classes will be arranged.

Performing and contributing to the life of the school

One of the key reasons for this programme is for students to perform in and outside of school. Music Soiree will be held termly and it is compulsory for registered students to perform at least for once. Parents will be invited for this performances. Students are encouraged to be involved, playing a key role in concerts and events of the school as well.

Music Examinations

It is at the discretion of the teacher that students enter graded examinations. It is not compulsory. Teachers will be in touch with parents directly on this matter. Currently we are an exam center for Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM). GEMS piano teachers are also top level accompanists and can help in this regard. We are also in discussion with Trinity and Rockschool to hold exams and trainings in GEMS.

Renewal & Withdrawal

Termly registration will automatically renew. Existing students need not register again. Commitment for MCP Lessons are one academic year.

To discontinue, 1 month written notice to be given to Ms Ann Peter at ann.p_gim@gemsedu.com and Withdrawal Form to be submitted to Finance Office. For short notice withdrawals, a penalty will be imposed on top of the normal fees under the management’s discretion. Appeal for refund will not be accepted.

PARENTS CONSENT

I _____ parent of _____

in year _____ hereby consent to the above Term and Conditions.

(signature)

Name: _____

Date: _____