



TeAtatu

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

WELCOME TO INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AT TAI

IMPORTANT DATE: Give it a Go night/ **THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2023**

On behalf of the Music Department, we are delighted to welcome you to Te Atatū Intermediate. Our school is proud to offer a wide range of musical opportunities for all students! In addition to classroom Music, Te Atatū Intermediate offers tuition in a wide range of instruments and experiences. Research has shown that playing a musical instrument improves reading and numeracy, as well as communication and social skills. We have seen the positive benefit this has had on TAI students through the years – it is no accident that many of these have gone on to become leaders and top achievers in their next school and beyond. Now it's your turn!

Lessons in the following instruments are FREE: **Violin, Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone and Percussion (Not Drumkit)**. These are all group lessons. All students who learn these instruments will be expected to take part in an instrumental performance group. Our performance groups include String Ensemble, Beginner Concert Band, Advanced Concert Band and Rock Band (by audition). See the next page to find out more about the Beginning band and its instruments.

Lessons in **Piano, Guitar, Bass Guitar and Drum kit** are offered by **private** tutors. These are paid individual lessons, but group lessons may be arranged by negotiation with the tutor.

In all cases, students will need to supply their **own instruments**. Most instruments can be hired for approximately \$175-400 (the **price depends** on the instrument) for the whole year. The school has a limited number of instruments available where there is financial difficulty.

If you have any queries, please contact Mr. Barros (francisco.b@teatatu.school.nz) or Mr. Davenport (chad.d@teatatu.school.nz). We look forward to seeing you on 16 February!

Ngā mihi,

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Band Director

Beginning Band at TAI

Why should you join the Beginner Band? Listen to 2 TAI students as they share their ideas: [Maire's invitation to join the Band](#) - [Nico's invitation to join the Band](#)

Te Atatū Intermediate students have a unique opportunity to have free lessons to learn an instrument and play in a large music ensemble. Our band students get a wide range of performance experiences (eg. Town Hall, Trust Stadium, parades). Many students list band among their favourite activities of the week and lots continue playing in music groups long after leaving TAI.

A few of our Beginning Band students created some short video clips to demonstrate their instruments and show what you could achieve by the end of this year. We have also included some other useful links to give you a few ideas about what you might play!

BEGINNING BAND INSTRUMENTS:

- FLUTE
 - [Year 7 Flute example - Zion](#)
 - [Year 7 Flute example - Thomas](#)
 - [Professional Flute example](#)
- CLARINET
 - [Year 7 Clarinet example - Autumn](#)
 - [Year 7 Clarinet example - Lucy](#)
 - [Professional Clarinet example](#)
- ALTO SAXOPHONE
 - [Year 7 Saxophone example - William](#)
 - [Year 7 Saxophone example - Asher](#)
 - [Professional Saxophone example](#)
- TRUMPET/CORNET
 - [Year 7 Trumpet example - Ryan](#)
 - [Professional Trumpet example](#)
- FRENCH HORN
 - [Professional French Horn example](#)
- TROMBONE
 - [Year 7 Trombone example - Nathaniel](#)
 - [Professional Trombone example](#)
- EUPHONIUM
 - [Year 7 Euphonium example - Joaquin](#)
 - [Professional Euphonium example](#)
- SNARE DRUM
 - [Professional Percussion example](#)
- VIOLIN GROUP
 - Watch this [violinist's progress from age 4 to 22](#)

What does it sound like when the whole band plays together? Listen to the 2021 Advanced Band play ['Feel It Still'](#)