We have a big year planned for music at APS in 2015. It is concert year again so all students will be learning their songs, recording their singing and practicing their routines for the big school concert to be held at The Plenary on the last Thursday of Term 3.

Students in grades prep to 2 will be learning about and exploring the musical elements such as beat, tone, tempo, rhythm and pitch through dancing, singing, interactive games and learning the ukulele.

Grades 3 to 6 will be learning about musical theory and how to read sheet music in semester one through learning the recorder. They will also be exploring musical styles and digital composition.

Further information about specific instrumental programs can be found below.

Recorder

Students from grades 3 to 6 will be learning the recorder to enhance their understanding of musical theory and notation. Due to OHS regulations, it is required that all students purchase their own recorder. These can be purchased directly from the school for $7.00, the order form can be found in the forms section of this website, at the office, and in the music room.

Ukulele

All students throughout the school will be learning ukulele. This is a great little instrument which has enjoyed a recent resurgence in popularity as it is so affordable and easy to play. Lunchtime Ukulele group will run on Wednesdays for children in grades prep to 2. This is a great program to get the students playing, singing and performing. These lunchtime groups are free of charge. It is not essential for students to purchase their own ukuleles, however if they have their own ukulele it is encouraged that they bring them along so they can be tuned and to ensure there are enough to go around.

Guitar

After School guitar groups will be run by Mr Rouse, Mr Gilpin and Leigh Enright. These will happen on Wednesdays and Thursdays after school from 3:30 until 4:30. The cost is $10 per session. Notes can be found in the forms section of this website, at the office, and in the music.

Private guitar lessons will be run by an experienced and quality teacher Justin Dellevirgin during school hours. These Lessons cost $30 per session and run for half an hour. For more information you can contact Justin on 0408 351 861 or collect a form from the music room.

Drums

Altona Primary School will be offering private drum lessons on Fridays. The Lessons will be taken by an experienced teacher Carl Manuel, and will cost $30 for a one-on-one half an hour lesson. Information about these lessons can be found at the office and in the music room, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Rouse on 0407 365 908 if there are any further questions.
Piano

Tim Nelson will be running piano lessons this year. The sessions will go for half an hour at a cost of $30 per lesson. For more information please contact the office.

Choir

Ms Nichols will be running the choir for students from grades 3 to 6. Choir practice will happen on Mondays at lunchtime and the choir will have the opportunity to perform at assembly every Monday.