



ST. LOUIS SCHOOL

Circular No. 012 (21-22)

3 September, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: School Orchestra Recruitment

One of the more fun activities that will bestow a surprising number of benefits upon your child is playing in a school orchestra or ensemble. If your child plays any instrument(s) and is going to attain or have attained ABRSM Grade 5 or above, please encourage him to join the school orchestra by completing the online enrolment form at <https://forms.gle/qRVtNFdSRLHXQvkH9>. Old members should also complete this form.



Due to the pandemic, we regret to inform wind and brass players that only the pianist, string and percussion sections will have rehearsals and performances this year.

1. Rehearsal schedule

Date (Every Friday, 2021)	Time	Venue	Fee
10, (17) Sep, 2021	1:00 p.m.	MMLL (the room by the basketball court)	Free of charge
8, 15, 22, 29 Oct, 2021	–		
5, 12, 19, 26 Nov, 2021	2:00 p.m.		
3, 17 Dec, 2021			
7, 14, 21, 28 Jan, 2022			
11, 18, 25 Feb, 2022			
4, 11, 18, 25 Mar, 2022			
1, 29 Apr, 2022			
6, 13, 20, 27 May, 2022			
24 Jun, 2022			

2. Performances

Students are required to attain **80%** attendance or above in the Friday rehearsals preceding each performance.

Date	Event
4 Mar 2022	Thanksgiving Nite (An annual school variety show)
To be confirmed	Lunchtime performance at school
To be confirmed	Performance(s) outside school
To be confirmed	Music Festival 2022

The time of the dress rehearsals and performances will be confirmed in due course.

3. Rewards and punishments

Members demonstrating good attitudes will receive a **merit** and earn a maximum of **10 bonus marks** in their year-end music examination at school.

Members who are frequently late to or absent from rehearsals or who cannot attend the dress rehearsal will not be given any credit. If the conductor feels that there is a problem, whether it is related to weekly musical preparations or to behaviour, it will be discussed first with the member. If there is no improvement, the teacher advisor will contact the parents and may remove the member from further participation in the orchestra.

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4. **Etiquettes**

A strong instrumental programme relies on the combined efforts and mutual cooperation of its members. During rehearsals and performances, members are expected to:

- arrive on time,
- respect and listen to the conductor and teacher advisor,
- refrain from unnecessary talking or other disruptive behaviour, and
- refrain from using mobile phones.

Before each rehearsal, members are expected to practise their parts as requested. If a member would like to be excused from a rehearsal, he should **submit a parent's letter to the teacher advisor in person**. An unexcused absence from a dress rehearsal will prevent the member from participating in that performance.

All music parts are rearranged to best suit the number and level of members in each section. It is irresponsible of any member to be absent from any Friday rehearsals for poor time management.

For enquiries, please contact the teacher advisors, Ms NG Kar Wai Vivien, Mr LI Ling Fung or Mr Tsang Chun Ngai at 2546 0117.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Ms Ng Kar Wai Vivien
for the Principal