

Music Ensemble Co-curricular

Secondary School



Arndell
Anglican College

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Welcome

Participation in Co-curricular Music Ensembles provides a range of well-recognised benefits, including enhanced academic ability, improved social skills, critical thinking, confidence, resilience, and character development. Students are encouraged to choose Co-curricular Music Ensembles that challenge their abilities and foster personal growth. Each Co-curricular Music Ensemble is guided by experienced and dedicated conductors within their respective fields.

A strong commitment to rehearsals and performances is essential for all students involved in Co-curricular Music Ensembles. As such, students are expected to attend all rehearsals, performances, workshops, and events, including eisteddfods, showcases, festivals, and music tours. This consistent involvement is crucial for building strong musical and educational outcomes within the Ensembles.

We take great pride in the Co-curricular Music Program at Arndell Anglican College and are excited to collaborate with our students by nurturing and developing their musical talents.

Mr Jon Cavenagh

Head of Performing Arts

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Elective Music and Music Scholarship Student Expectations

Students enrolled in elective Music classes or holding a Music Scholarship are expected to contribute to the College community through participation in Ensembles. To join, students should consult with their class teacher and parents/carers to determine the most suitable Ensemble for their involvement.

Rehearsal Expectations

If students cannot attend a rehearsal due to illness, they must notify the Ensemble Conductor and the Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, by email in advance of the rehearsal.

If students cannot attend a rehearsal due to other College events, they must email the Ensemble Conductor and the Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, in advance of the rehearsal.

If students cannot attend a rehearsal due to an other appointment, parents/carers are to email the Ensemble Conductor and the Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, in advance of the rehearsal. When making external appointments (medical, orthodontic and other), we ask that rehearsal times be avoided where possible.

If the student is participating in an Eisteddfod and they are absent without a valid reason on more than two occasions, they will be unable to represent the College in this Eisteddfod.

If a student fails to notify the Ensemble Conductor and the Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, by email regarding an absence from a rehearsal or performance on more than two occasions, they may be required to forfeit their place in the Ensemble. This decision will be at the discretion of the Head of Performing Arts.



Performance Expectations

It is expected that students and parents/carers make arrangements to be available for all performances. This includes rearranging work rosters, sporting commitments etc.

For all major performances including showcases, festivals, workshops, music tours and Eisteddfods, parents/carers will be given three weeks' notice for performances and are requested to grant permission via the College App.

For internal performances occurring during school hours (applicable to Assemblies, Special Services, and other events) students will be notified via email and expected to meet all performance requirements.





Notification of student absences is required by email the Ensemble Conductor and Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh.

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Absences

Planned Absences

If due to exceptional circumstances a student cannot attend a performance, parents/carers must email the Ensemble Conductor and Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, at least two weeks prior to the performance. This allows the Department to come up with alternate Ensemble appointments.

In the case of performances that are scheduled in less than three weeks, parents/carers should email the Ensemble Conductor and Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, as soon as possible. Students who fail to provide notice of absence for rehearsals on more than two occasions or the appropriate notice of absence may forfeit their place in the Ensemble. For auditioned Ensembles, their position may be passed to someone else. This decision will be at the discretion of the Head of Performing Arts.

Unplanned / Unexplained Absences

If a student is unwell on the day of a performance parents/carers must email the Ensemble Conductor and Head of Performing Arts, Mr Jon Cavenagh, as soon as practical in order for conductors to find a suitable replacement.

Event Permissions & Information

College App & Parent Portal

A notification will be sent to parent/carers via the College App and/or email to grant permission for their child to attend an event.

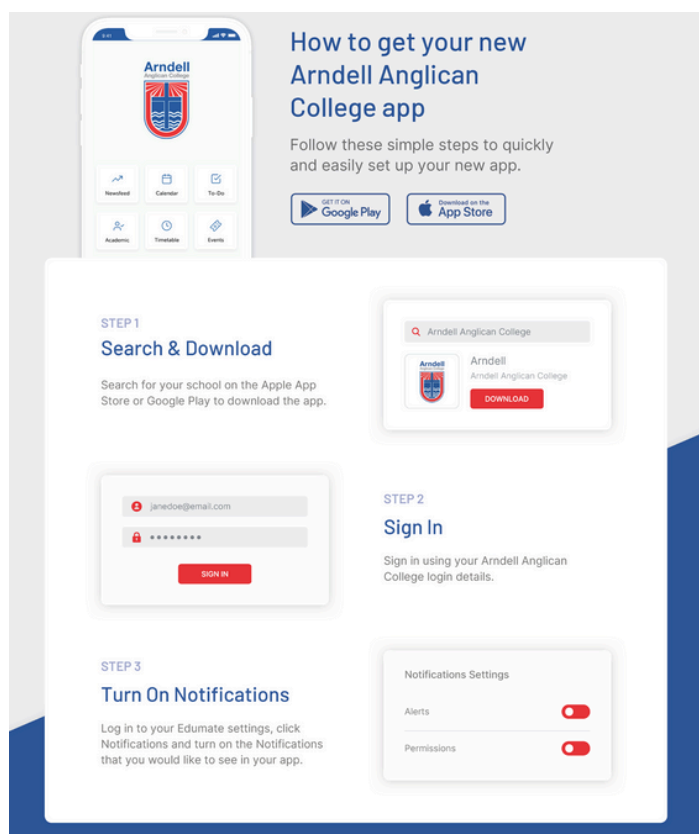
All events require parent/carer permission for the student to attend, this includes all music events held offsite and some events held at the College.

Details about the event are provided in the Information Note attached to the event and can be accessed via the College App and the Parent Portal.

App & Portal User Guides

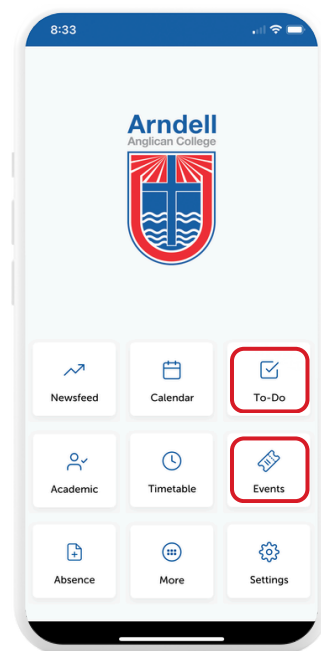
For instructions on how to download the College App, or to obtain the User Guides for the College App or Parent Portal, please visit

<https://www.arndell.nsw.edu.au/parent-information/parent-portal/>



Granting Permission on the App

- Go to the “To Do” tile on the College App
- Click on the child
- Click on the event
- Click on Grant or Deny



Finding Event Information

After you have granted permission for your child to attend the event, the information moves from the “To Do” tile to the “Events” tile

- Go to the “Events” tile on the College App
- Click on the child
- Click on the event and the details including all attachments will display

Changing Permission

Please note, once you grant permission for your child to attend or not attend the event you are unable to go back into the College App and change permissions. If you need to change permissions for music events, please contact the Events Administrator at the College on 02 4573 3633.