

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

My name is Mrs Sherree Cudney and I am the Music Coordinator on the Junior Campus. I am located on the ground floor, underneath the Area 6.

I strongly believe that music, and in particular singing, should be a part of every child's life. I am passionate about giving all children the opportunity to make music through singing, playing, listening and composing.

During weekly lessons, students will be exposed to a variety of music. They will sing, dance, listen and respond to Music of all styles. Students will develop aural skills by exploring, imitating, recognising and performing elements of music including movement, dynamics, pitch and rhythm.

Students in Prep and Year 1 will predominately sing and use body percussion to create music. In Years 2 and 3, students will use tuned and un-tuned percussion instruments to create musical ensembles, whilst in Year 4 the recorder is introduced. Whilst not everyone's favourite instrument, the recorder is the ideal way to begin a musical instrument without the difficulties of tuning strings, splitting reeds, bow holds and correct embouchure to make a half decent sound. Recorder also uses the same fingering as flute and saxophone which can be studied later. Finally in Years 5 and 6, students are introduced to the ukulele and encouraged to use their own instruments such as keyboards and guitars for ensemble work.

I also conduct the Junior Campus Choirs and students in Years 2 to 6 are encouraged to join the Junior (Years 2-3) or Senior Primary (Years 4-6) Choirs. A separate letter is available with more information regarding these groups.

In my free time I love playing pool, walking at the beach, Candy Crush and I'm John Farnham's number 1 fan.

Please feel free to contact me via email: scudney@princeofpeace.qld.edu.au or telephone 3872 5700 Tuesday to Friday.

Kind regards Sherree Cudney

