

## Southern Qld Institute of TAFE—Kingaroy

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## Instrumental Music Notes...

### Let's start with a quiz for the Instrumental Music Parents.

Question. My child plays the...

- a) flute
- b) euphonium
- c) drums (and the whole neighbourhood knows!)
- d) don't know – I haven't seen my child play anything.

Since arming them all with Practice Diaries, I am getting lots of disarmingly honest comments about the amount of practise being completed at home. As parents, it is obvious that home practise is directly linked with progress, but I'm not sure that our children are so aware of this correlation. Let's encourage them to get their instruments out of their cases at least 4 times this week and see if THEY can notice an improvement in their playing.

Some Practice Tips:

- Have a place set up for playing – music stand, pencil, waterbottle.
- Aim for several short sessions rather than one marathon effort each week.

- Tick off the work to be completed in the PD as it is done so nothing is missed.
- Parents, make time to sit with your child. Have a mini-concert!
- Remember to fill in the whole PD page (including the parent signature) so that stickers can be issued. (I have sheets and sheets of them to hand out!)
- Negotiate a reward an extended period of regular practise. Local music shops have music books for the whole spectrum of instrument types and music styles (Disney, jazz, pop, etc) with backing CDs. Itunes vouchers are popular rewards, too.
- Keep brothers and sisters away when your young musician is playing so they are not distracted, and impress upon siblings that the instrument is very delicate and not to be 'played' with!

### See Musicians in Action

Another great way to inspire your son/daughter is to take them to events where live music is being played. It doesn't matter whether it is a rock band or a string quartet – anything is positive! The local newspapers publicise lots of local events and festivals and SB Online has loads of great events. Go to <http://southburnett.com.au/> for information about what's on soon.

Here are a few up-coming events...

- Rock at the Ridge – Sunny Ridge Gardens – 17 Oct – ph. 41627090
- Underground Opera (Kilkivan) – 24 Oct – ph.54841148
- Wondai Arts and Crafts Expo – 31 Oct/1 Nov.

### Where will your family go for a musical day out?

Until next time,  
Jane Iszlaub  
Instrumental Music