

Dear Parents and Caregivers of 2018 Middle and Senior school pupils,

## **Instrumental Tuition at Sunnyhills School**

As you may be aware, Sunnyhills School has musical instrument providers that come onto the school after hours and provide music tuition on various instruments in the Performing Arts Room. The benefits of learning a musical instrument are numerous but include:

- Studies have shown that children who are exposed to music, or those who play an instrument, do better in school than those who don't. Recent research suggests exposure to music may benefit a child's reading age, IQ and the development of certain parts of the brain.
- Improves students' time management and organizations skills.
- Teaches discipline.
- Fosters the development of team skills.
- It is fun, allows a sense of achievement and relieves stress.

An assembly on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 11am for Kauri whanau (Years 4-6) will be a presentation from the MusiqHub tutors that work from Sunnyhills School.

**Chris Belcher –Keyboard – Tuesday after school**

**Jordan Morrison – Guitar, Ukulele, Bass Guitar – Wednesday after school**

**Shaun O'Kane – Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute, Trumpet, Trombone, Drums – Thursday after school**

If you think your child may be interested, you are welcome to attend the assembly. The tutors will be giving short presentations on the instruments that they teach.

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February these tutors will then be holding a Meet the Teacher/Try-out an Instrument (where appropriate) from 8.00 – 8.45am in the Performing Arts Room and school library. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

MusiqHub are offering a fantastic opportunity for students to learn a musical instrument and start the musical journey. Please check out their website for more information. [www.musiqhub.co.nz](http://www.musiqhub.co.nz)

I look forward to meeting you.

Regards,

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