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Note:

This arrangement may vary for students in some specialist programs:
- Special Art students - will not do Design and Technology
- Specialist Tennis students - will not do Visual Art or Design and Technology
- Music students - will not do Visual Art

All course costs are given as a guide only. These are based on the 2015 pricing structures and are subject to change in 2016.
The Arts

MUSIC

General Information

• Students who choose the Class, Instrumental and Ensemble Music units are those who wish to (i) continue School of Instrumental Music (SIM) tuition or (ii) learn an instrument privately. It is School of Instrumental Music Policy that students learning an instrument privately are not normally able to join SIM Classes.

• Each year, students wishing to study the Class, Instrumental and Ensemble Music units must enroll in both units for that year (7MUS & 7MUSB). That is, the units may not be chosen separately.

• Instrumental and Ensemble Music cannot be studied separately from Class Music.

• Students learning an instrument at school will attend these lessons on a withdrawal basis from other classes. The maximum instrumental lesson length is 40 minutes. The instrumental timetables are “rotating” to minimise disruption to other classes.

• All students are required, as part of their Instrumental course, to participate in at least one of the following ensembles:
  o Concert Band 1 (senior) or Concert Band 2 (junior) – woodwind, brass and percussion.
  o Scimitar String Orchestra (senior) or Cygnet String Orchestra (junior) – Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass.
  o Junior or Senior Classic Guitar Ensemble (classical guitar only)
  o Chamber Choir – Vocal students. This ensemble is also open to non-enrolled Music students from Years 7 to 12.

• Students may only move from the junior ensembles to the senior ensembles via the Music Department’s AUDITION process.

• Pianists are encouraged to participate in concerts and other performances by accompanying soloists and playing solos. Occasionally, senior pianists may be invited to rehearse and perform with the school’s ensembles. The Chamber Choir is an ideal ensemble for pianists who enjoy singing. There is a “try-out” process, which may be discussed with the Teacher in Charge of Music or the Chamber Choir conductor.

Additional costs

Camp Fees of approximately $250.00 for the Senior Ensembles only (Concert Band 1, Scimitar String Orchestra, Senior Guitar Ensemble and Chamber Choir). There may be Special Extra Rehearsals organised for the other ensembles, which will attract a fee of approximately $20.00. The Music Department undertakes tours approximately every 3 years (for Senior Ensembles only). The cost of the 2009 Tour to the Australian International Music Festival in Sydney was approximately $2, 600 per student.

Concert Uniform

All students enrolling in Class, Instrumental and Ensemble Music are required to purchase a Concert Shirt from the Applecross Senior High School Uniform Shop. In 2014 the cost of the Concert Shirt was $27.00. In addition, boys are required to purchase a (i) pair of black dress trousers (no corduroy or denim), (ii) a black belt, (iii) black leather shoes (no sports shoes) and (iv) black socks. Girls are required to purchase (i) long black pants (no corduroy or denim – and no skirts), (ii) low heeled plain black leather shoes (no canvas, sports, high heels or strappy styles) and (iii) black socks or knee-highs.

There are simple and practical requirements for hair and jewellery, which are available through the Music Parents Handbook, which is published in Term 1 each year by the Music Support Group.

Class, Instrumental and Ensemble Music - 7MUS and 7MUSB

In this course, students will develop skills in listening awareness (aural perception) and basic music knowledge (theory). They will also express themselves through composition and arrangement activities, as well as gaining an understanding of what makes us listen to and enjoy music of different eras, cultures and styles (Music in Society). Practical music-making activities are integral to all music courses.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $20.00 per semester.

Special Conditions

Completion of course 7MUS is a prerequisite for enrolment in course 7MUSB. If course 7MUS has not been completed, an interview with the Teacher in Charge - Music is required. Students must learn a musical instrument at school or privately. Students who are eligible to hire an instrument will have to pay an annual fee of $160.00.
**VISUAL ARTS**

**Creating is Fun – 7ART (Semester 1 or 2)**
Do you like drawing or making things, would you love to do clay work or dye fabric? If you are already into art or would just like to try any of these art activities then this is the unit for you. We will do both art and design projects that are useful and artistic. Creating our own drawings and designs for things like T shirts or bags and also creating great painting masterpieces on canvas.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $20.00.

**Special Art - Foundation Drawing - 7SPA (Semester 1)**
This course is designed to improve students’ basic drawing skills and develop a sophisticated approach to mark-making. Students will explore, in depth, the drawing ‘Elements’ using classic and contemporary drawing media as a vehicle. They will develop an understanding of Arts Language, an appreciation for visual inquiry and drawn investigation, and an awareness of the importance of drawing in the history of human development. Students will create observed drawings that are detailed, accurate and expressive, and produce at least one major work for display.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $86.00.

*NOTE: This course is available only to selected Gifted & Talented Visual Art students.*

**Special Art –Foundation Painting – 7SPAB (Semester 2)**
This course will explore the basic colour theory and controlled paint application techniques. Students will develop an understanding of compositional devices, and appreciate the role of visual inquiry in developing valid Painting investigations. They will develop an understanding of Art Language and other conventions specific to Painting, and an appreciation for the role of Painting in the history of human development. Students will produce at least one major work for display.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $40.00.

*NOTE: This course is available only to selected Gifted & Talented Visual Art students.*

**DRAMA**

**Passport to Drama – 7DRA**
In this high energy course, students will be introduced to the fantastic world of Drama. Workshops in theatre games and improvisation, mask and comedy are the foundation for training young actors in what it takes to be a performer. Students will showcase their work to an audience at the end of semester.

The anticipated cost of this unit in 2016 is $30.00.
English

Students learn about the English language and how to use it effectively. The study of English plays a vital role in the development of literacy, enhances students’ learning in all areas of the curriculum and provides them with the communication skills and critical understanding of language necessary for active participation in society. Creativity, critical thinking, Grammar and English skills of communication are the basis of all courses. Wide reading is encouraged through all courses to improve literacy.

English – 7ENG

Students study the Australian Curriculum English Course, focusing on Language, Literacy and Literature. This course encourages students to engage with a variety of texts for enjoyment. They listen to, read, view, interpret, evaluate, create and perform a range of spoken, written and multimodal texts in which the primary purpose is aesthetic. They also create and read texts designed to inform and persuade. These include various types of media texts including newspapers, magazines and digital texts, early adolescent novels, non-fiction, poetry and dramatic performances. Students will use a range of ICT applications to create written and multimodal texts. In second semester students continue to study a general course of English, studying newspapers, film, novels, short stories, speaking and the use of persuasive language in essay writing. Grammatical skills are further developed. Students will participate in regular common task assessments throughout the year. The academic class explores a wider range of more difficult texts.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $28.00.

English as an Additional Language/Dialect - 7ESL

This course is based on the Australian Curriculum English Course (see English courses for more details) but is tailored to suit the needs of Non-English Speaking Background students who have been in Australia, or any English speaking country for fewer than three years. Some students who have been in Australia longer may also be accepted into the courses if numbers permit. Entry to these courses is on approval from the EAL/D Teacher in Charge or the Year 7-9 Deputy. In all EAL/D courses, students will demonstrate the skills through reading and viewing, speaking, listening and writing. As stated previously, the EAL/D courses are modified from the English courses.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $28.00.
Health and Physical Education

Health Education - 7HED
In this course, Year 7 students will learn how to take positive action to enhance their own and others’ health and wellbeing. They will examine the nature of their relationships and the factors that influence people’s beliefs, attitudes, behaviours and actions. In addition to the specific content covered in this course self-management skills such as communication, decision making, goal setting, risk management and resilience are embedded in the Health Education course.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $7.50.

Physical Education -7PES and 7PESB
Students develop an understanding of the skills needed for confident participation in sport and recreational activities. This course enables students to make responsible decisions about health and physical activity and to promote their own and others’ health and well-being. In this course students will develop skills in a variety of different physical activity contexts. There is also a focus on developing students’ interpersonal skills. Over the course of Years 7-10 students will cover a broad range of sports developing fundamental movement skills, both land and water based. The cost of the course in 2015 was $16.00 per semester.

Specialist Tennis – 7TEN1/7TEN2 and 7TEN3/7TEN4
Students will learn:
• Advanced stroke technique
• Positional Play
• Tactics

The cost of the course in 2015 was $146.00.

# Available for selected students only.
Languages

Students learn to communicate effectively in languages and further develop their skills and understandings in English and literacy in general. They gain an understanding of other societies, the ability to interact with people and cultures other than their own, and practical skills which they can use in future social, cultural and vocational areas. We have exchange programs to France and to Takarazuka, Japan. Students from Years 9 to 11 may participate in these programs.

French – 7FRE/7FREB

Students will learn about describing and introducing themselves and someone else, describing their family and their pets. Students will learn about school and daily routines, household chores and weather, months and seasons. This course is designed for second language learners. Background speakers of French will be required to enrol in Japanese. If in doubt, please contact the Head of the Languages Learning Area.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $12.50 per semester.

Japanese – 7JAP/7JAPB

Students will learn to introduce themselves, their family, friends and neighbourhood. They will talk about pets and animals. They will talk about teenage culture in Australia and Japan and Japanese food. Students will learn hiragana script and some kanji (Chinese characters). Students will participate in group work and cultural activities. This course is designed for second language learners. Background speakers of Japanese will be required to enrol in French. If in doubt, please contact the Head of the Languages Learning Area.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $12.50 per semester.
Mathematics

Mathematics - 7MAT
Students use ideas about number, algebra, measurement, geometry, statistics and probability and mathematical ways of representing patterns and relationships, to describe, interpret and reason about their social and physical world. Mathematics plays a key role in the development of students’ numeracy and assists learning across the curriculum. Incoming Year 7 students will study a common course. The Academic Extension class will complete the coursework at a faster pace so that they can engage in extension work that is deemed to be important for the long term development of the student’s better understanding of Mathematical concepts.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $32.00.

MAP

Mutual Respect, Achievement and Personal Best – 7MAP
Mutual Respect, Achievement and Personal Best (M.A.P) are the values of Applecross SHS. The M.A.P program helps Year Seven students find their way through high school through learning transitional skills relating to academic performance, literacy and study, and social/emotional intelligence. In this program students will learn how to use our library effectively, how to remain resilient, study for results, build friendships and navigate their way through their teenage years successfully. It builds the foundation for our MAP program in Years 8, 9 and 10 and is taught one period a week in Year 7 for the whole year.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $4.50.
Science

Students investigate, understand and describe the physical, biological and technological world and value the systems and processes that support life on our planet. Science helps students to become critical thinkers who use evidence to construct conclusions.

The Australian Science Curriculum provides opportunities for students to develop an understanding of important Science concepts and processes, the practices used to develop Science knowledge, Science’s contribution to our culture and society, and its application to our lives. The curriculum supports students to develop the scientific knowledge, understandings and skills to make informed decisions about local, national and global issues and to participate if they so wish, in Science related careers.

Year 7 students study a common compulsory course of topics. The academic extension classes complete the course work at a faster pace so that they can engage in further studies of areas of the course. The specific focus of the extension courses will depend on the special interests of the students and teacher. Students may be moved in and out of the extension classes during Years 7-9.

All students are encouraged to participate in a broad range of Science enrichment opportunities such as The Science Talent Search and Crest Awards. This particularly applies to students in extension classes.

Science - 7SCI

Chemical Science
In this topic students will be introduced to the science laboratory, laboratory skills and scientific equipment through a study of mixtures, solutions and separation techniques.

Biological Science
In this topic students will learn about the classification of living things using scientific conventions and classification keys. They will also study the relationships and interactions between organisms.

Earth and Space Science
In this topic students will study the movements of the Earth and Moon and the phenomena resulting from this. They will also study the Earth’s renewable and non-renewable resources including water.

Physical Science
In this topic students will investigate forces, gravity, their effects and applications to simple machines.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $41.00.
Humanities and Social Sciences

Students in Humanities and Social Sciences focus on the general capabilities of the Australian Curriculum which define knowledge, skills, and behaviors that can be developed and applied across the curriculum to help students become successful learners, confident and creative individuals, and active and informed citizens; so, in addition to content knowledge students develop skills in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy, ICT Capability, Critical and Creative Thinking, Ethical Behaviour, Intercultural Understanding and Personal and Social Capability.

The courses at Applecross SHS for lower school students have been developed to meet the Australian Curriculum requirements with the program combining Australian Curriculum, History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship and Business and Enterprise.

Society and Environment – 7HASS

- Ancient Australia
- Ancient Egypt
- Ancient China
- Finances for Consumers
- Work, Society and the Economy
- The Legal and Political System in Australia
- Water in the World
- Places and Liveability

The cost of the course in 2015 was $28.00.
Technology and Enterprise

Design & Technology – 7DT/7DTB (Semester 1 or 2)
In this subject, students will learn to manipulate materials in wood and metal using a range of power and hand tools to produce projects and learn to use computer aided drafting and photography software to produce and manipulate drawings and images. This subject provides an ideal foundation for the development of further design, material and computing skills in the Design and Technology area.

The cost of this course in 2015 was $13.00.

Home Economics

Home Economics is a fun, hands-on subject area encompassing many life-skills. Using a technology and health focus, students are encouraged to use their own initiative to solve problems while working cooperatively with others, using appropriate equipment, and managing time effectively.

Eat for Health – 7HEC/7HECB (Semester 1 or 2)
Students will learn how to establish healthy eating habits for adolescents. They will explore a variety of foods and make a range of nutritious snacks both safely and hygienically. Some ingredients may need to be provided by the students.

The cost of the course in 2015 was $20.00.