Friday, 6th December, 2013

Dear parents/carers,

As you all know, the Colo Vale School Band is up and running. It has been such an exciting year for all concerned and we are hoping to expand this program even further in 2014.

This note is for students who will be in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 next year (2014) and who are keen to learn one of the following instruments – flute, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn, clarinet or saxophone.

These instruments can either be bought by the students themselves or, except for the saxophone, they can be rented from the school.

Lessons would be offered at the school for those students who sign up to rent an instrument.

To be part of this wonderful opportunity the following is an estimate of the approximate costs that would be involved:

- Instrument rental (trumpet, clarinet, flute, trombone, horn) **$50 per term.**
- Ensemble fee of **$10 per term** to go towards purchase of music.
- Weekly lessons (usually at least 8 lessons per term) as follows
  - **$15 per week** (30 min group lesson – beginners only)
  - **$20 per week** (20 min individual lesson)
  - **$30 per week** (30 min individual lesson)

**In total, this works out to be approximately $21 - $26/wk for beginner students and approximately $26 - $36/wk for 2nd year students**

Please talk about this with your child and return the attached form by the end of this term.

Indicating interest at this stage will not imply a final decision on your part, but it will help us in our planning. For those who return this Expression of Interest form, we will keep you informed by direct contact from the beginning of next year.

We will purchase the instruments and music before the end of this year so that we are ready to start from the beginning of 2014.

Yours in eager anticipation of an enthusiastic response.