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Suzuki Group Lesson Information 2025

In addition to individual Suzuki violin lessons, Suzuki Group Lessons are held on Friday afternoon's, three times a term at the Studio, with the exception of the Group Concerts, which will be held at Hutt City Church, Marsden Street, Lower Hutt.

I encourage all students to participate in Suzuki Group Lessons.

Group lessons are a unique and fun aspect of the Suzuki Violin Method, and they are a wonderful opportunity to motivate students.

In group lessons, students will review music repertoire, refine techniques, work and play together as a group, gain confidence, develop leadership skills, make great friends and have a good time!

Group lessons serve many important purposes:

1. Group lessons give students an opportunity to make new friends who also play the violin. The students then begin to learn the joys of sharing music with others.
2. Parents and students attend group lessons together, which helps family's bond with music and each other.
3. Participating in group lessons is a great way for students to get experience performing in front of an audience. When students begin to play regularly at a young age in front of other people, they gain confidence and therefore more enjoyment when they perform in solo concerts or other events in the wider Suzuki community, or at Camps or Workshops.
4. Having fun with the violin becomes a goal of each class as the child learns through musical games and activities. A relaxed atmosphere enhances the learning experience.
5. Motivation is one of the prime benefits of group lessons. More advanced students learn to become role models as they enhance their leadership skills, perform pieces in front of the group, and play complementary parts for the songs. Younger or beginning students have the benefit of playing with musicians who are more advanced, which allows them to look to those students as role models and encourages them to practice the pieces that they hear in the group lessons.

6. Groups are great preparation for ensemble work. Playing in a group involves an entirely different set of skills than playing a solo. Truly satisfying ensemble playing is a rare and exciting adventure. As the children play together, they begin to follow each other, phrase with the leader, and sound like a polished group. Ensemble skills take a great deal of time to develop, but the rewards are exciting!

7. Group lessons are a good opportunity for the teacher to use review pieces, in order to practice more advanced skills. Because students are continually reviewing, they have more time to learn the new skill, rather than remember the piece.

8. Attending group lessons regularly has proven extremely beneficial in the child's overall musical education, ear training, social development, and enthusiasm for the violin.

- **Group Lessons:**

All Group Lessons will be at the Studio, except for the two Group Concerts, which will be held at an alternative venue. Classes will be approximately 45 minutes in duration.

- **Group Lesson Fees:**

Group Lessons – 3 classes per term – \$45.00 per term, per student

- **Group Lesson Dates 2025:**

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
February 14 th	May 2 nd	July 18 th	October 17 th
March 7 th	May 23 rd	August 15 th	October 31 st
April 4 th	June 13 th (C)	Sept 12 th	Nov 21 st

Studio Terms & Conditions as below:

- Please wash your hands and/or use hand sanitiser before entering the studio space.
- Please do not come to the studio if anyone visiting the studio has ANY cold, flu or Covid symptoms – even a runny nose, little cough, or uncontrolled hay fever/allergies. If you do come to the studio with any symptoms, I will send you away. Zoom lessons are encouraged if a student is sick. If a student too sick to attend a Zoom lesson, the lesson is forfeited.
- Specific lesson times are set for each student at the beginning of each year. If a student cannot attend a lesson for any reason, I recommend that you record a video of the student playing the tasks I have set them the previous week & send it to me so I can review the video in their scheduled lesson time. I will then send you a video back with some feedback. There are no refunds, discounts, or catch-up lessons.
- Where I cancel a lesson, an adjustment will be made to the next invoice, reflecting this.
- If you or I choose to discontinue lessons, this may be done at the end of a term providing a minimum of 4 weeks' notice has been received. This allows enough time to inform students on the waiting list of the available space for the next term.

- vi. Accounts will be sent via e-mail in the first few weeks of the term. Fees are due 14 days after invoice. I reserve the right to withhold lessons if accounts are overdue.
- vii. The preferred method of payment is via internet banking. Bank account details are on each invoice and statement
- viii. If there is a need for your account to be transferred to a Debt Collection Agency, all fees incurred by this service are at your expense.
- ix. I am currently not required by the NZ Inland Revenue Department to be GST registered, so GST is not included on your invoice. If this changes, and I am required to be GST registered, GST will be added to my fees.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me through any of the above details.

Ngā Mihi,



Lynette Carson

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LMC Music Studio is located at:

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<https://goo.gl/maps/FDiFLBQSXzq>

*Come down the driveway. There is a main door to the left of the carport. Come through this door, and my studio is on the right.