



General Information

String instruments are delicate and need handling in a gentle manner. After playing they should be placed back in their protective case and never stored near a radiator or other direct heat source as this will dry the wood of the instrument and cause it to crack.

Cleaning

Care must be taken when cleaning the instrument. Do not use spray polish directly, but spray onto a soft cloth then use this to polish the instrument. This procedure will stop any polish getting onto the strings which would damage the strings and the sound quality. A warm damp cloth can be used to get rid of stubborn marks or rosin residue.

Violins, Violas & Cellos

It is important to let the teacher tune the instrument. The teacher will let you know when you are able to tune the instrument yourself.

The strings are very easy to break and tuning by a student should only be done via the tuners at the tail piece end and not via the tuning pegs at the top.

Violin, Viola & Cello Bows

After you have finished playing and stored your instrument, the bow should be de-tensioned and stored carefully in its holder to prevent it from becoming damaged or broken.

If you encounter any problems with your instrument seek advice from the Music Centre, or your child's instrument teacher.