

## OBV MUSICPLUS

OBV MusicPlus is a music program for students who are home-schooled, run by qualified music and classroom educators.

## OUR TEAM

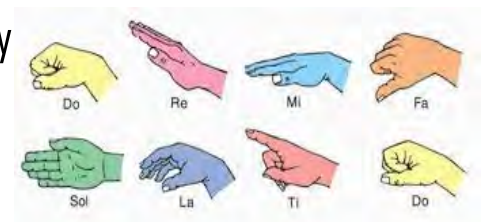
Donna Marwick-O'Brien and Kiki McCormack are both qualified classroom and music teachers and absolutely love what they do! Donna is the Creative Director and Kiki the Regional Director of Australia's largest children's choir, One Big Voice. See our website: [onebigvoice.com.au](http://onebigvoice.com.au) for more information.

In addition to One Big Voice, Donna and Kiki also teach music and classroom at primary school. Donna is also employed at Edith Cowan University where she teaches pre-service classroom teachers to integrate music into their everyday teaching.

## EQUIPMENT

**4-6** and **6-9** year classes will be run using voice and body percussion and following the Kodaly Method:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kod%C3%Ally\\_method](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kod%C3%Ally_method)



**9+** classes will be using voice and ukelele. *(BYO ukulele or use one provided during class time)*

The skills developed in these classes will strengthen children's pitch, sight reading, memory, literacy and numeracy skills as well as have them singing and playing their favourite songs on the ukulele!



All activities are aimed at fostering a lifelong love of music.

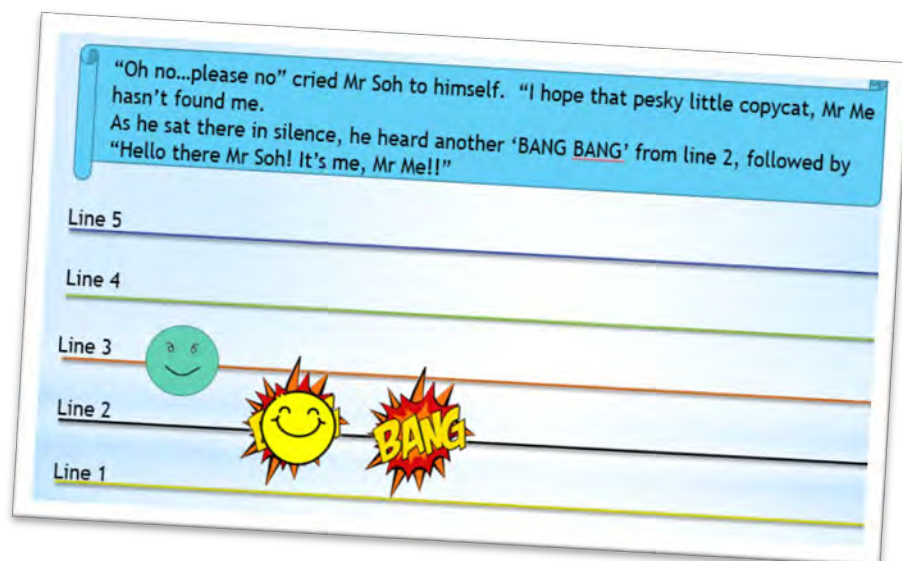
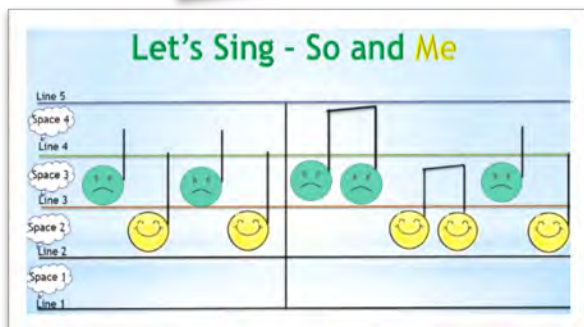
Parents can decide whether their 6 year olds and 9 year olds would be more comfortable with the younger or older groups. The following age groups are being offered:

## 4-6 YEARS

Children in the 4-6 age group will be immersed in a variety of musical experiences, such as singing, movement, rhythm games and listening activities, to explore the elements of music:

- **Rhythm** (sound, silence; long,short; steady beats)
- **Tempo** (fast, slow)
- **Pitch** (high, low; pitch direction; distinguish between speaking and singing voice)
- **Dynamics** (loud, soft)
- **Form** (same, different; echopatterns)
- **Timbre** (exploration of sounds produced by hitting objects)

Original and unique **OBV EasyTeach** PowerPoints are used in class to introduce students to sight reading and singing in a fun, storytelling, interactive way. Lots of movement and games are included to reinforce skills.



## 6-9 YEARS

The musical journey continues in the **6-9** age group where there is more of a focus for children to develop aural and pitch skills, timing, and to learn how to read, respond to and create their own music.

Classes will include lots of singing and movement games and collaborating with others to create, rehearse and perform fun songs to the group. **OBV EasyTeach** are used to teach and reinforce skills in a fun, non-threatening environment. In addition to the development of music elements, social skills, confidence and wonderful friendships will also be built.

## 9+ YEARS

The 9+ age group will meet students where they are at in their musical journey. Some students will be experienced musicians while others will be embarking on their musical journey for the first time. This diversity only adds to the richness of the group where children will learn from each other and many will discover a dormant love or talent never recognised before. Students will be learning to play the ukulele while continuing to participate in fun activities helping them to read, write, perform and create music. **OBV EasyTeach** PowerPoints will continue to be used in this class as well as opportunities to transfer these skills onto other instruments the students may already have.

We are so looking forward to joining you and your children on this magical musical journey.

Warmest regards,

Donna and Kiki

