

Absences and Monster Make Ups

You might be wondering what happens when a lesson is missed due to an unavoidable clash. Things like swimming sports, camps, day trips, school assemblies and illness can sometimes mean that your child is unable to attend their scheduled lesson. As long as you give us enough notice, this absence will be classified as "explained" and you will be offered a Monster Make Up credit!

What is a Monster Make Up?

A Monster Make Up is an extra session offered to students that have missed a lesson due to an "explained absence" (learn more about explained absences below!). Each term, we will have a range of different Monster Make Up sessions that students will be able to pick and choose from. While these are different to usual weekly lessons, Monster Make Ups will be super fun, usually longer than standard lessons and will cover a range of musical related topics that often aren't covered in weekly lessons. Monster Make Ups are generally held in weekends or schools holidays, however some of these will fall on week day evenings.

Here are some example of sessions that you might come across!

- Bucket percussion and rhythms.
- Electric guitar jam (electric guitars supplied).
- How to play 40 songs with 4 chords on the keyboard.
- Basic song writing.
- How to operate a sound desk.
- How to perform like a rockstar.
- How to apply good practice routines.
- How to tune a ukulele by ear.

What is an explained absence?

An explained absence is an absence that we have been notified about before 8am on your child's lesson day. This needs to be done by emailing "absent@monstermusic.nz". As long as this happens, you will be offered a Monster Make Up!

Step 1 - Give us a heads up

Let us know that your child is going to be absent by emailing absent@monstermusic.nz! As long as we get told before 8am on the day of your child's lesson, you will be offered a Monster Make Up. Please note, it is your responsibility to make us aware of ALL absences. Sometimes schools will give us a heads up, however we can't rely only on this.

Step 2 - Book the lesson

Shortly after the absence has been recorded, you will be sent the link to book a Monster Make up for your child!

Step 3 - Attend the lesson

Catch up lessons are generally held at Paparoa Street School in Papanui (we will always confirm the location with you). Make sure you mark it down in your calendar!

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FAQ'S

What happens if none of the Monster Make Ups suit?

If none of the listed Monster Make Up sessions work, feel free to hold onto the link and book at a later date! We are always adding in new workshops, days and times.

What happens when a tutor is absent?

If a tutor is absent for any reason, we always try to A) reschedule those lessons to a different day or B) find a reliever tutor.

If we are unable to do either of these options, we will credit your account for the following term. A credit is worth 11% of the termly bill.