The Arts

Rationale

The Arts are unique, expressive, creative and communicative forms that engage students in critical and creative thinking, and help them understand themselves in the world.

Purpose

At Bellbrae, we aim to provide individuals with the necessary skills, understandings, confidence, appreciation and sense of enjoyment to comprehensively participate in the Arts. It is our vision that all of these qualities will carry through for the rest of their lives.

Guidelines

1. Students will be offered experiences and approaches that align with the Victorian Curriculum.
Purpose

To provide the students at Bellbrae Primary School with a comprehensive and sequential Arts program. We will endeavor to expose students to aspects of the Performing Arts such as:

- Visual Arts
- Dance
- Drama
- Media
- Music

Implementation

**Visual Arts**
1. The Visual Arts dimension will reflect the guidelines in the Victorian Curriculum.
2. A wide range of appropriate materials will be provided to resource the Visual Arts Program.
3. All classes will be timetabled for a Visual Arts session each week/fortnight with a Specialist teacher.
4. The Art Specialist will endeavour to provide a stimulating and interesting environment which will encourage students to develop a wide range of skills.
5. Artwork will be displayed in a variety of settings.

**Performing Arts**
1. The Performing Arts will reflect the guidelines in the Victorian Curriculum.
2. A wide range of appropriate materials and resources will be provided to implement the Performing Arts.
3. All classes will be timetabled for a weekly/fortnightly Performing Arts session with a Specialist teacher.
4. Where possible, students will be given the opportunity to perform to a variety of audiences in various settings.

Evaluation

- Program budget surveys will be used as annual feedback from all staff.
- Policy and Program will be evaluated as part of the three year review cycle.