



**COBURG WEST
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Performing Arts Policy**

**Approved by School Council:
November 2018**

Review: 2019

Rationale:

Performing Arts is an integral component of Coburg West Primary School's curriculum. It provides unique experiences where creativity and expression is explored and encouraged. Students have the opportunity to develop skills related to all areas, while building self-confidence and appreciation for the Arts.

Aims:

The Performing Arts program will develop in students:

- An awareness of a range of musical styles, eras and cultures where they can appreciate and experience music playing and making in these particular styles
- Musical skills associated with singing and instrumental playing
- A growth of knowledge of musical elements
- An appreciation of the Arts with enjoyable and rewarding experiences in Music, Dance, Drama and Media Arts

Implementation:

- All students will have a one hour Performing Arts lesson per week
- All students will participate in Music, Dance, Drama and Media Arts activities based on the Victorian Arts Curriculum F-10, which largely involves playing, creating, improvising and performing in all areas
- The music teacher will comply with the current CWPS strategic plan of promoting student voice and agency inside the classroom
- Student progress in all areas of Performing Arts will be assessed on an ongoing basis informally and formally, and will be reported on during the mid-year and end-of-year report cycles
- A music budget will be resourced by the School Council
- Students will be given the opportunity to join various extra curricular music groups such as the whole-school choir, rock band, drum band or the instrumental ensembles and to perform at assemblies and community events
- The Performing Arts teacher will coordinate music, dance, and drama productions and public performances/demonstrations within the school and wider community
- Students will continue to be offered private instrumental tuition at school whereby parents are responsible to pay the teacher directly

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle.