

TERM 3, 2021 - PERFORMING ARTS

Pre-Primary and Year 1

Acting as a stimulus for inspiration in Performing Arts lessons, students will view various traditional Dreaming stories and modern-day contemporary Australian stories. Some follow-on activities will include creating a tableau in small groups, bringing the stories to life by role-playing the characters and learning songs created by the incredible Madjitiil Moorna Choir.

Throughout the entire year, students will explore The Elements of Music. The aim is to develop core musical skills and knowledge using interactive activities to understand dynamics, rhythm, pitch, form, timbre, and texture. Through a series of lessons, students will deepen their musical vocabulary, experience various musical activities, and consolidate key competencies in music.

Year 4, 5 & 6

Students will revise and adapt The Elements of Drama to create well-made scenes and mini-plays. Some activities include:

- Experimenting with different elements of drama to see whether a scene can be advanced or improved.
- Guided lessons on how to create deeper, more interesting characters.
- A step-by-step process to writing a mini-play.
- Viewing drama examples by experienced actors to gain tips on how to increase audience understanding and engagement.
- Performing their mini-play to the class and reflecting on how they can improve based on audience feedback.

Choir

Choir lessons will commence in Week 1 and will be held every Thursday before school in The Music Room. The choir will begin at 7:55 am, and students in Years 3 to 6 are invited to attend these sessions.

We will be preparing for WAGSMS (West Australian Government Schools Music Society) held at Mandurah Performing Arts Centre on Friday 3rd September 2021. So that we can be at our best, choir students will be expected to attend EVERY Thursday to be eligible to participate in the concert. In the lead up to the show, there will be additional lunchtime rehearsals that choir members will need to attend.

The Jungle Book Production- calling all creative parents!

The Drama extension students have been preparing a musical adaption of The Jungle Book. We hope to be ready to perform this in Week 9. If you wish to be involved by making costumes, props, stage settings, helping backstage, or have a particular creative talent not mentioned above, I would love to hear from you! Please contact me at Jenni.mcrae@education.wa.edu.au or come and visit me in The Music Room.

Yours sincerely,

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PERFORMING ARTS TEACHER