



# PATTERSON LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## PERFORMING ARTS POLICY

### RATIONALE

The arts are practised and valued in our complex and diverse society as important means for the communication of ideas, feelings and beliefs and as major sources of intellectual, physical, spiritual and emotional development, understanding and enjoyment. Performing Arts in education reflects many of the ways dance, drama and music are used in society. Students use musical instruments and voice to compose, improvise and perform. They listen and respond to their own works and that of others.

### AIMS

Through a Performing Arts program students:

- develop their intellectual, imaginative and expressive potential
- develop skills, techniques and a knowledge of processes as a basis for personal expression
- create, perform or present arts works
- develop critical skills and an understanding of aesthetics
- develop skills in movement, drama and dance
- develop creativity in music
- enjoy participating in the processes of creating, presenting and responding to the arts

### IMPLEMENTATION

- The Arts domain is an essential component of the Discipline-based Learning strand of the Victorian Essential Learning Standards.
- All students at our school will study sequential Performing Arts courses based upon the learning focus statements contained within the Victorian Essential Learning Standards.
- Opportunities will be provided for students to participate in extra curricular activities.
- Performing Arts budget will be developed by the Arts Committee.
- The Arts Committee will be responsible for coordinating the school's annual Performing Arts events.
- The school will appoint a music teacher who will provide the music program.
- The music teacher will be allocated the responsibility of coordinating performances at assembly and maintaining the choir.

### EVALUATION

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

Last updated: November 2010

**Reviewed: 2011 (in line with the National curriculum)**

### CERTIFICATION

This policy was adopted at the School Council Meeting held at Patterson Lakes Primary School, on November 2010.

Signed.....  
School Council President

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Principal