



# MARY IMMACULATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

*A dynamic and caring community, committed to enacting our faith; inspiring, challenging and engaging lifelong learners.  
(excellence, integrity, inclusiveness, respect)*

## **The Arts Statement**

In the Victorian Curriculum F–10, The Arts includes Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Arts.

The Arts enable our students to develop their creative and expressive capacities by learning about the different practices, disciplines and traditions that have shaped the expression of culture locally, nationally and globally. Students are both artists and audience in The Arts. They make and respond, and learn to appreciate the specific ways these occur in different disciplines.

The Arts contribute to the development of our students becoming confident and creative individuals. Our students express, represent and communicate ideas in contemporary and traditional art forms. In Dance, Drama and Music, our students explore the 'performing arts', while in Visual Arts our students explore the world of visual representation and expression.

The significant contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to Australia's arts heritage and contemporary arts practices are explored across the Arts, and students are encouraged to respect and value these unique and evolving traditions.

At Mary Immaculate School:

- The Arts are taught by a specialist teacher and classroom teachers.
- The Prep to Year 6 students attend a Performing Arts lesson of 45 minutes duration each week, taught by our Performing Arts specialist teacher.
- The Performing Arts specialist teacher is responsible for overseeing the Performing Arts budget and resources.
- Visual Arts lessons are conducted by a specific classroom teacher in the Art Room on a rotational basis, within the junior and senior levels, as a 'specialist' class.
- A whole school performance is held biennially in the 'odd years' to showcase learning and achievement in the Performing Arts.
- A whole school Art Show is held biennially in the 'even years' to showcase learning and achievement in the Visual Arts.

The evaluation of The Arts Statement will occur regularly as required.

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