



PERFORMING ARTS

*At Ascot Vale West Primary School we value our broad range of specialist subjects and deliver a **positive, fun, enthusiastic** and **rewarding** Performing Arts program.*

*The Arts are unique, expressive, creative and communicative forms that engage students in **critical and creative thinking**, and help them understand themselves and the world. They fuel the exploration of ideas that cross human emotions through **holistic learning** using **cognitive, emotional, sensory, aesthetic, kinesthetic and physical fields**.*



*The performing arts disciplines include **music, dance, drama and media**.*

*Ascot Vale West Primary School students have immersed themselves into creative topics including **puppetry, silent movies, song and dance, melodramatic plays, music videos, the ukulele and other instrumental activities**.*



We offer a range of Performing Arts programs at our school including:

- School Choir - "Ascot Singers"*
- Talent Quest competitions*
- Annual School Concerts & performances*
- Instrumental Music program*
- Dance & Drama Clubs*
- Annual "Count Us In" Australia-wide music event*
- Tournament of the Minds challenge*
- Performances at school events and within the local community.*



What does studying Performing Arts mean for students?

Students will be more experienced and capable of:

- *Exploring new ideas*
- *Creating products*
- *Nurturing cultural understandings*
- *Enhancing experiences and understandings of the diverse perspectives that constitute our cultural heritage*
- *Communicating their perceptions, observations*
- *Developing collaborative practices*



*Performing Arts builds children's skills in **confidence**, self-presentation, **teamwork** and collaboration, time management and **organisational skills**, **self-awareness** and **self-discipline**.*

*They are able to develop an **open mind**, the ability to move beyond boundaries and experiment with different ideas. They are also able to develop communication and research skills, the ability to cope with criticism and learn from it, as well as stamina.*