

Year 7 Course Outline Electives and Languages 2022



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THE ARTS

DANCE

Dance students build on their understanding of the elements of dance and choreographic devices to create dance that communicates an idea. They continue to improve their technical dance skills, focusing on confidence, clarity of movement and projection. As they make dance and respond to it, they reflect on the meaning, interpretations and purposes of dance. Safe dance practices underlie all experiences, as students perform within their own body capabilities and work safely in groups.

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DRAMA

Students will develop voice and movement skills, building their understanding of role, character and relationships. Students explore Ritual, Physical Comedy and Storytelling through improvisation and play building. As they create drama, they respond and reflect on their own performances, recognising the elements of drama. Students learn how to work effectively as a group to achieve a desired outcome.

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MUSIC

Students selecting Music are able to engage in a continuation of the Year 6 Band program, those currently studying within the peripatetic Music tuition programs including piano, voice, strings and other instruments will join this group as a pathway to develop. Students are given opportunities to apply their music skills and knowledge when performing, composing and listening to music. They work on developing their aural skills, sing/play and notate music. Students experiment with the elements of music to improvise and are encouraged to create simple compositions.

Students with no experience in playing an instrument will learn musical skills on the keyboard and guitars while covering the aural, theory and performance components of the syllabus in a more general way.

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MEDIA ARTS

Media Arts students will learn the basics of photography, with a focus on composition. They will demonstrate their ability to use the common codes and conventions of photography by producing a series of images. Students will consider how various techniques are used to persuade different audiences and appeal to their values and attitudes. Finally, they will write and film their own news story in the green-screen studio.

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VISUAL ARTS

Visual Arts students develop their skills in drawing, painting, printmaking and ceramic sculpture to create two- and three-dimensional artworks. The students will design and make an imaginative clay sculpture and develop drawings that lead to a resolved painting or mixed media print. Both units of work will be supported by responding tasks to further their knowledge of Modern and Contemporary Art.

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TECHNOLOGIES

FOOD PRODUCTION AND SPECIALISATIONS (Food and Life Skills)

Food and Life Skills is a practical based course that gives students an introduction to textiles, the use of sewing machines and related equipment. Students have undertaken tasks that develop basic cooking techniques and knowledge in food preparation as well as learning about commodities and nutrition.

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DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGIES (Materials – Wood)

Design and Technology introduces students to the design process, allowing them to use materials to make and evaluate products. They learn about workshop safety and the use of tools and machinery to manipulate materials. Projects for this course include a wooden marble maze and mini wooden cricket bat.

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LANGUAGES

CHINESE: Second Language

In Year 7, students learn how to communicate in Chinese by exchanging information about self, family and friends with others. They practise and respond to questions about these topics while exploring a wide range of written and spoken texts. Students build a strong knowledge of new vocabulary and understand aspects of the Chinese culture by participating in traditional activities such as calligraphy, music, and the celebration of Chinese festivals.

INDONESIAN: Second Language

Students learning Indonesian as a second language in Year 7 focus on developing their skills in socialising and comprehension. The course covers a range of topics such as self-introductions, exploring imaginative stories, bargaining in a traditional market and making plans with friends. Emphasis is placed on encouraging students to become independent learners and acquiring new vocabulary. The cultural aspects of Indonesia and its' people are embedded into the course.

LANGUAGE EXTENSION

Students studying a language in Year 7 and Year 8 are able to express interest in attending the Language Extension class. Students who have expressed interest will then be invited to attend the classes based on their engagement and performance during their weekly language lessons. The extension class allows students to hone their language skills, perfect what they have learnt and acquire further knowledge about the language and culture, plus have some fun; through project based learning. The class runs for one hour before or after school. Students who are new to the language are encouraged to express interest as this additional learning time will help them to feel more confident using the target language during their normal timetabled lessons. To express interest in enrolling in the Language Extension class for either Indonesian or Chinese, please contact the classroom teacher.

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