



THE ARTS NEWSLETTER
TERM 2 2024



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The ARTS at Runcorn Heights State School

RUNCHIE ARTS will be taught for one hour each week with a specialist Junior ARTS teacher for Prep-2 and Senior ARTS teacher Years 3-6, to engage, inspire and enrich, every student. Designed to excite student's imagination and encourage them to reach their creative and expressive potential, RUNCHIE ARTS is created to challenge, provoke responses and develop the knowledge of self, communities, world cultures and histories.

Curriculum focus (Music) – what we will be working on in class this term

	Content	Assessment
Year 3	<p>One and One Makes Music Year 3 students will be listening to and interacting with a wide variety of instruments and styles of music this term, using the elements of music to compare and contrast songs. They will learn a series of notes on the recorder and work towards performing simple songs for their peers on this instrument. By continuing to develop their comprehension of music notes and symbols, students will deepen their understanding of music. Students will also be learning a country song called 'One and One Makes Two' by Johnny Cash.</p>	<p>Students will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - listen to music and describe the similarities and differences they can hear using some elements of music - collaboratively compose and perform music on a tuned instrument, the recorder.
Year 4	<p>Twist and Sing This term, students in Year 4 and 3/4 will be focussing on how the elements of music impact the songs they listen to and create. They will be learning about key elements of music such as pitch, tempo and dynamics along with how to read basic music. They will apply these skills by writing simple music for a peer to play. Students will also be learning to sing the song 'The Twist' by Chubby Checker. They will further develop their learning from last term by performing dance moves in the style of rock 'n' roll while singing.</p>	<p>Students will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - discuss how they and others use the elements of music in performance and composition. - collaboratively compose and perform music on a tuned percussion instrument, the glockenspiel, in unison with others.
Year 5	<p>Making Meaning in Music Year 5 students will be learning about the impact of music, how to find meaning in music and how everyone interprets music differently. By continuing their learning of the elements of music, students will be working towards articulating how the elements impact the meaning of songs they listen to. They will be learning to play a simple song on the guitar as well as work with peers to collaboratively compose their own song, experimenting with sound and meaning. Year 5 will also be learning to sing the song 'In Summer' from the movie <i>Frozen</i>.</p>	<p>Students will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - explain how the elements of music are used to communicate meaning in songs they listen to - collaboratively compose music using terminology and symbols, - perform music on a tuned instrument (guitar) demonstrating aural, technical and expressive skills.
Year 6	<p>Living The Good Life This term, Year 6 and 5/6 students will be learning to create unique compositions using the glockenspiel and technology, considering the layers of sound from many instruments. Each class will learn a song on a glockenspiel, continuing to develop their music knowledge and percussive skills. They will explore how the elements of music impact songs they hear and make, and consider the influences behind songs as they begin to collaboratively create their Graduation Song. Students will also be learning to sing a pop rock song called 'The Good Life' by Thirsty Merc.</p>	<p>Students will</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - explain how the elements of music are used to communicate meaning in songs and will consider the influences of culture, time and place on music. - collaboratively or independently compose music and lyrics using terminology and symbols - perform different styles of music on a tuned percussive instrument demonstrating aural, technical and expressive skills.

TERM 2 INCURSION

Students in all year levels will attend an incursion on the 5th June, 2024. This incursion is called Beats 'N Pieces by School Performance Tours. Students will have the opportunity to explore *Chinese and Australian music, language, interactive games and 'you-won't-believe-your-eyes' technology!*