

SCHOOL NO. 4401 - KATANDRA WEST

Policy Statement: **CURRICULUM**

400 – ARTS

Responsibility: The Arts Specialists & Staff

This Policy was last ratified by School Council in August, 2022.

PURPOSE:

To allow all children to express themselves creatively in the visual arts and media activities whilst extending their skills and techniques in using a variety of resources. The Arts includes Dance, Drama, Media Arts, Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design (Level 7 – 10). This policy is used in conjunction with Victorian Curriculum.

GUIDELINES:

- The program is designed to give children the opportunity to learn a basic range of skills using different activities to cover the areas of The Arts in the Victorian Curriculum.
- Classroom themes will be integrated, wherever possible, in the Arts program as outlined in the Victorian Curriculum.
- The working environment will encourage individual ideas and creativity. An appreciation of the many types and styles of art work, using a variety of resources, will be encouraged.
- Samples of children's work will be displayed around the school. The Arts Specialist or an appointed Staff Co-ordinator will be responsible for purchasing art equipment, displaying art work and co-ordinating displays throughout the school and for the various community exhibitions.
- Liaison between the Art Specialist or Co-ordinator and class teachers will be the responsibility of the designated Specialist or Co-ordinator.
- At least one session per week of formal Art activities will be programmed for each class.
- Rooms will be used for Art activities and must be left in a clean and tidy condition after use.
- The Victorian Curriculum will form the basis upon which staff monitor student learning outcomes at the various levels.
- The Principal, in consultation with School Council, may vary this Policy if circumstances require it.