



Moorside High School

Expressive Arts Policy

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Rationale

The Expressive Arts Learning Area at Moorside comprises of three key departments, Art and Design, Music and Physical Education. Each subject represents a unique combination of ideas, skills and knowledge and each is an important element in the curriculum in its own right. Collectively, however, we endeavour to:

1. Promote and develop individual abilities leading to personal satisfaction and enjoyment.

The Expressive Arts enable pupils to express personal experience. They promote understanding of the importance of physical fitness and good health, and a sense of physical, mental and emotional well being. Creative experiences provide opportunities to develop imagination and independence of thought, judgement and action. Pupils can collaborate and compete with one another and encounter success and set backs.

2. Refine and develop ways of communicating with others.

Through study in the Expressive Arts sector of the curriculum pupils learn to communicate with others interpreting and responding in a variety of ways. Presentational and recording skills are heightened and positive attitude to others are developed as pupils want to achieve their goals.

3. Develop aesthetic awareness.

Participation in Expressive Arts develops critical awareness and personal taste. Pupils are encouraged to be imaginative and more aware of their surroundings and the importance of the environment.

4. Social and Economic contribution.

Individuals who have studied Expressive Arts have the capacity to think creatively, meet challenges positively and solve problems with initiative and enterprise.

5. Develop an awareness of different cultures, including our own.

Expressive arts aim to develop a pupil's capacity to learn about the world in with they live, taking account of the Global dimension to their studies.

Core Aims:

The core aims of the expressive Arts Learning Area are to ensure that we provide pupils with opportunities to:

1. Engage with variety of art forms, exploring attitudes, feelings and meanings.
2. Develop the ability to create, appreciate and make critical judgements about artistic presentations.
3. Encourage pupils to work independently and in teams, to share arts experiences and present work to others.
4. Develop an understanding of the role of Sport and the Arts, including as a career.
5. Increase involvement in historical, cultural and aesthetic experiences.