

# **The Arts: Drama at SFX Term 3, 2021.**

## **Prep.**

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing and responding to drama.

Students will draw on stories read in class, including Creation stories and Dreamtime stories. As they do so they will:

- explore how they can use their voice and movement to create roles in the story/drama.
- learn about focus in drama - identifying the main idea of the drama.
- learn how their ideas can be expressed through role and story as they create/improvise their own drama.

Students will also be given opportunities to integrate other Arts subjects, especially Music and Dance, in the lessons.

## **Year 1**

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing, and responding to drama.

Students will explore several fairy tales, including The Frog Prince, to;

- explore how they can use their voice, facial expression and movement to create roles in the story/drama.
- learn about focus in drama - identifying the main idea of the drama.
- learn how their ideas can be expressed through role and story as they create/improvise their own drama.

They will be introduced to drama devices such as Role Play, Freeze Frames and Sculpting as they explore the stories and create drama in class.

## **Year 2**

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing, and responding to drama.

Students will explore narrative stories, including Dreamtime Stories of our First Nations People to;

- explore their voice, facial expressions, movement, and space to create roles in the story/drama.
- learn about and identify the focus in drama - identifying the main idea of the drama.
- Learn about situation in drama – who, what, when and why.
- learn how their ideas can be expressed through role and story as they create/improvise their own dramas.

They will be introduced to drama devices such as Role Play, Role Walks, Freeze Frames and Sculpting as they explore the stories and create drama in class.

## Year 3

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing, and responding to drama. Students will do this both independently and working together with their classmates.

Students will explore transforming a narrative story (*Too Many Cheeky Dogs* or *Go Home, Cheeky Animals*, by author Johanna Bell and illustrator Dion Beasley) into a performance.

Students will explore many drama devices and skills as they move through this process.

## Year 4

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing, and responding to drama. Students will do this both independently and working together with their classmates.

In Drama lessons students will explore and expand on their learning in the general classroom as they undertake a process drama unit called John's Journey. This explores the story of John Hudson, the youngest convict transported to Australia.

## Year 5

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing, and responding to drama. Students will do this both independently and working together with their classmates.

Students will complete a short unit of drama games and physical theatre, introducing them to the elements and skills of drama as they learn to work in drama classes.

Following this they will explore 2 Australian texts: *Two Summers* (John Heffernan and Frey Blackwood) and *Flood* (Jackie French and Bruce Whately) as they develop their understanding and use of performance skills.

## Year 6

In Term 3, students will participate in Drama lessons as their weekly specialist Arts lesson with Mrs Sandstrom. Learning in Drama involves making, performing, analysing, and responding to drama. Students will do this both independently and working together with their classmates.

Students will complete a short unit of drama games and improvisation, introducing them to the elements and skills of drama as they learn to work in drama classes.

Following this they will explore the topic of Migration through the story *The Arrival* (Shaun Tan) as they develop their understanding and use of performance skills to communicate to an audience.

