Performing Arts

All students have 50 minute session a week in Performing Arts
As per the Australian Curriculum students are involved with Music, Dance and Drama
Years Prep, Two and Four will give an evening performance on the stage in our hall
Years One, Three and Five showcase their skills at assembly
Year Six students are involved with a musical in Term 3
Students from Years Three and Four learn the recorder
Students have an opportunity to join the school Glee Club from Years Four to Six
Glee Club perform at many local community events as well as school events
• Classes held every week for 50 minutes in the new Japanese room
• Every year level covers the 4 strands of Language learning: listening, speaking, reading and writing.
• Gall sensei teaches Years 1-6 and Dale sensei teaches Preps. Keiko sensei comes and helps with the preps and Rika Sensei helps with the Year 6’s. We also have other Japanese assistants throughout the year.
• Preps, Year 1 and 2: learn Japanese through songs, games and listening and speaking activities. A small amount of writing and reading. All students will be able to read and write their katakana name.
• Year 3 and 4 learn the hiragana alphabet and have individual reading and writing books.
• Students in year 5 have their own vocabulary book that also covers the 4 strands of the curriculum
• Year 6: Work through the ‘Belts’ which encompasses all the Japanese they have learnt over the past 6 years, as well as some new material this year. Each Belt has 10 activities they need to achieve and then they will be awarded a certificate and a belt at assembly. They must wear their belt to class to work on their next colour belt. The Belts in order are: white, yellow, orange, green, blue, red and black.
• Every year we have 18 students from Minato Ku for 5 days and they homestay with families from years 5 & 6. This is a very successful language and cultural exchange program. Please let the office know if you are interested in hosting a student. The Grade 6’s also have the opportunity to Skype.
**VISUAL ARTS**

- Students will be attending Visual Art classes for a 50 minute session each week
- Students require a named SMOCK or shirt. Every classroom has its own Smock BOX/BASKET.
- In conjunction with the Dimensions Creating and Making and Exploring and Responding the students will explore focus areas such as:
  
  - Drawing
  - Painting
  - Threads and Textiles
  - Printing
  - Construction
  - Collage
  - Modelling
  - Mosaics

- Within the context of these focus areas the elementary concepts of art are explored. Namely:
  
  - Colour
  - Texture
  - Line
  - Shape
  - Space
  - Form

* Art Appreciation and History are also incorporated within the program.

Students will be introduced to the work of such masters as:

- Nolan
- Monet
- Kandinsky
- Picasso
- Klimt
Physical Education

- All sessions are 50 minutes.
- Hats are required at all Physical Education sessions in our Summer and Spring months for all Year levels.
- Sneakers/runners are the preferred option on the days your child has PE/Sport.
- There is no set sports uniform but it is preferable for girls to wear a skirt, shorts and a polo t-shirt rather than a summer dress on the days when Physical Education and sport sessions are on.
- In Years Prep 1 and 2 the focus is on basic movement skills, introduction to Basketball, cross-country running, athletic skills, Gymnastics, simple social dances, Fundamental Motor skills and skipping.
- In Years 3 and 4 the focus is on the introduction to skills of the summer and winter sports, athletic skills, gymnastics, simple social dances, Fundamental Motor skills, complex movement skills, ball handling skills and skipping with a rope.
- In Years 5 and 6 the focus is on skills for the summer and winter sports, alternative sports, athletic skills, Gymnastics, fitness, game strategies and fair play.
- Prep-Year 4 2 week Intensive Swimming Program.
- Year 5 and 6 1 week Lifesaving program.
- Years 4, 5, 6 District Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country.
- Prep-6, House Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country.