

SCHOOL NO. 4401 - KATANDRA WEST

Policy Statement: CURRICULUM - 400 The Arts

400 – ART

Responsibility: The Arts Specialists & Staff

This Policy was last ratified by School Council in 2015.

1. 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 Five Major areas of the Arts are Arts and Media, together with Dance, Drama and Music. This policy is used in conjunction with *The Arts - 401 B. Music/Dance/Drama.*

2. GUIDELINES:

- 2.1. The program is designed to give children the opportunity to learn a basic range of skills using different activities to cover the areas of Visual Arts and Media.
- 2.2. Classroom themes will be integrated, wherever possible, in the Arts program as outlined in the AUSVELS.
- 2.3. Activities that involve designing, creating and displaying skills are presented in a meaningful and logical sequence.
- 2.4. 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.
- 2.5. 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.
- 2.6. Liaison between the Art Specialist or Co-ordinator and class teachers will be the responsibility of the designated Specialist or Co-ordinator.
- 2.7. At least one session per week of formal Art activities will be programmed for each class.
- 2.8. Rooms will be used for Art activities and must be left in a clean and tidy condition after use.
- 2.9. The AUSVELS will form the basis upon which staff monitor student learning outcomes at the various levels.
- 2.10. The Principal, in consultation with School Council, may vary this Policy if circumstances require it.