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MUSIC CAMP 2026

It has been an exciting start to the term for the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Faculty at Thomas Hassall.

Last week, we hosted our biennial Music Camp, with more than 50 students participating in three days of engaging and creative music-making. Students performed as part of a large concert band and choir, while also exploring a variety of specialised music electives, including vocal harmonisation, ukulele, wind ensemble, studio production and mixing tips, live arranging, and collaborative jam sessions.

A highlight of the camp was the songwriting masterclass, where students worked in groups to compose and perform their own original songs. The creativity, teamwork and musicianship on display was inspiring.

However, it wasn’t only about the music. Students also enjoyed a lively trivia night, singing around a campfire, and spending time outdoors in the beautiful winter sun where they could strengthen friendships across year groups. The camp concluded with a wonderful parent concert on Saturday afternoon, giving students the opportunity to showcase the skills and repertoire they had developed throughout the three days. We would like to sincerely thank the staff who attended Music Camp and supported our students throughout the experience. Our next adventure is now preparing for the Japan “Cherry Blossom Music Tour" in April 2027.

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Later this term, we are excited to present our annual Senior Ensembles Evening on Tuesday 1 September. We encourage families to save the date for this special event, where our senior music ensembles will perform a selection of the repertoire they have been refining throughout the year.

In Week 6, our Senior Strings and Senior Choir will also perform at a local retirement village. This valuable opportunity allows students to share their gifts with the wider community while further developing their confidence and performance experience.

This year, we have also introduced Drama for Year 7 and Year 8 students alongside their English studies. The program has been a wonderful addition to our Creative Arts offering, providing students with an introduction to Drama and helping them consider the subject as an elective in Year 9. Several Year 8 students are currently preparing monologues as part of their assessment tasks, and we look forward to seeing their performances.

Thank you to our parents and families for your ongoing support of your children’s creative pursuits. We are proud to see our students continue to grow in confidence, skill and creativity through the many opportunities available within CAPA.

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