## Performing Arts Program

Highvale's Performing Arts Program and a number of our public performances feature all of these elements. The College offers Music and Drama through to VCE.

The study of Music is an essential part of the College's curriculum and major contributors to our reputation for developing the whole person.

Our vibrant music program includes both classroom and instrumental music tuition. The College has junior, intermediate and senior bands, ensembles such as Flute, Brass, Woodwind, Percussion and Strings. The College supports this program through the services of a Performing Arts Centre and visiting instrumental music teachers. Although we encourage students to purchase their own instruments, a number of instruments are available for hire through the school. Instrumental tuition is conducted by highly qualified music staff and lessons take place during school hours. Band rehearsal is conducted after school during the week.

A large number of our students successfully complete Australian Music Board Examinations and participate in music competitions. Students who study VCE Music Performance use the instrument they are learning in Instrumental Music in their academic classroom studies.

Performances are an integral part of our Performing Arts program. We hold performances to the College throughout the year including Performing Arts concerts held at the College and at venues such as Government House, Federation Square and Hamer Hall. Students are encouraged to the participate in the Northern Eastern Metropolitan Youth Concert. Musicans in the Intermediate and Senior ensembles are involved in the orchestra for College Gala Performances.

Students also have the opportunity to have singing lessons and participate in the College choir and Eisteddfods and State School Spectacular.