

## Expanding Curriculum and Community Opportunities Whitfield Performing Arts & Music Centre

A dedicated performing arts and music facility at Whitfield State School will enhance the learning outcomes for every one of our students by providing a real world, fit for purpose facility to undertake quality and safe - learning, performances, presentations and rehearsals/ practices, without disruption to other areas/classrooms of the school.



### Whitfield State School *A World of Opportunities* Every Week, Every Child connecting with the best version of themselves

(approximate student numbers every week)	<b>Performing Arts Programs</b>	<b>Technology, Business, &amp; Languages Programs</b>	<b>Sport Programs</b>
<b>Specialist Teaching Lessons</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Classroom Music (770)</li> <li>Drama (450)</li> <li>Instrumental Music Strings, Woodwind, Brass and Percussion (127)</li> <li>Junior Piano (20)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Technology (450)</li> <li>Media Arts (450)</li> <li>LOTE (210)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical Education (770)</li> </ul>
<b>Peak Clubs (lunchtime, before school etc.)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drama (25)</li> <li>Mini Dancers (40)</li> <li>Concert Band (55)</li> <li>Strings Ensemble (66)</li> <li>Choir (47)</li> <li>Whitfield Voices (18)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 various every week – changed every term</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Excellence Programs (90)</li> </ul>
<b>Peak Academies (Extension Programs)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drama (25) x2</li> <li>Song Writers (31) x2</li> <li>Shining Star Dance (27) x2</li> <li>Rising Star Dance (27) x2</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Technology (26)</li> <li>Entrepreneur (BPOW – Business People of Whitfield) (22)</li> <li>Global Languages (15)</li> <li>Philosophy Café (15)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sport and Fitness Academy (75)</li> </ul>

**Strong Local Support for the Arts** – a yearly investment of notional & purchased salaries at approximately \$476,000 and another \$48,000 spent on resources for programs and events each year - \$672 per year per student goes towards performing arts at Whitfield SS. Our school community ‘speaks with their feet’ with the huge support they display in encouraging their children to participate in programs and in attending performances and getting children to the numerous practices and rehearsals.

**Community Infrastructure Gap** - Currently there are no large community hall or performing arts centres within this local area including Whitfield, Kamerunga or Brinsmead suburbs. A community asset such as a performing arts centre would be very likely to be extensively used by a wide range of community groups. The siting of the building in the master plan was considered to support this external access. 90 seat purchased and planned childcare centre directly opposite our campus will also impact stronger enrolment growth trends.

**Whitfield Performing Arts Centre – \$ 9,658,000**  
**Estimated build costs including fees and contingency**