HEAD OF DEPARTMENT:  Mrs Belinda Riles

SUBJECT OUTLINE:
Students will learn about the art of Dance in a physically active class. Dance always begins with warm-up activities and then centres on developing movement awareness skills. Dance is taught in a physically active way, via group work and individual practise. Dance is a subject for students to be able to express themselves using their bodies and minds rather than through speech. A great attitude and a commitment to learning is required by students who are thinking of studying Year 9 Dance.

CONTRIBUTES TO OP:
NA for JSS subjects. Dance can be undertaken as a Senior Board Subject (OP eligible).

ASSESSMENT OUTLINE:
The assessment in Dance focuses on three main domains: Creating & Presenting; Responding & Interpreting; and Reflecting on Creative Processes.

Students will undertake the following assessment tasks:
- Written exams / assignments
- Group and Individual Rehearsals
- Performances
- Choreography

Suggested course topics are as follows:
- Dance Conversations
- Popular Dance on Screen
- Contemporary Dance
- World Dance

CAREER PATHWAYS:
A small selection of career pathways includes the following: Dancer, Artistic Director, Producer, Audiovisual Technician, Stage Manager, Designer, Public Relations Officer, Teacher, Musical Critic, Wardrobe and Set Designer, Choreographer.

COSTS: Nil

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS/PREREQUISITES:
Students are required to participate in all lessons. At times, prior to a Performance being due, students will be required to attend additional rehearsals which are usually held after school or during school lunch times. Practice at home is also a consideration when routines need to be perfected for a Performance.