

# PERFORMING ARTS

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES





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The Performing Arts Faculty offers several opportunities for students to express themselves and to improve their skills in the Performing Arts. In addition to regular classes, we also offer activities outside of the classroom in Dance, Drama, Music, Media and Cultural Groups.

## DANCE

### DANCE SHOWCASE

Students across all levels can audition for and learn a wide range of dances or choose to choreograph a dance item. These will be rehearsed and refined, ready to be presented at the Showcase Heats event where a panel of judges will select those items that will be performed at the Dance Showcase Evening. This will be a public performance in the auditorium. There are also opportunities for top performers to submit entries to the YouDance festival.

## DRAMA

### ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL

This is a festival of performances of short plays. The Year 13 Drama students direct and produce the plays, under the guidance of Head of Drama. Auditions are open to all students.

### THEATRE SPORTS

Experience the joy and freedom of improvising and sharpen your performance skills at the same time! Theatre Sports is typically held at lunch times in the Performing Arts Faculty.





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## SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

The Drama and English Departments work with interested students to prepare scenes from Shakespeare for performance and to enter the University of Otago Sheilah Winn Shakespeare Festival Competition.

## SCHOOL PRODUCTION

Baradene College launches a whole school production every second year. Auditions are open to all members of the school. The production may be a musical or a drama and generally has a large cast and crew.

## AFTER-SCHOOL CLASSES

Outside companies also provide opportunities to our students via after-school classes, such as speech and drama classes and television and film on-screen acting programmes.





# MEDIA

## TECHIE TEAM

The techie team is responsible for the audio and visual equipment in the auditorium. This means that whenever we have an event or assembly, members of the Techie Team are upstairs in the 'box' managing the sound board, looking after the lighting and any video or visual presentations that there might be.



## FILM SOCIETY

The Society seeks to involve students in two aspects of film; appreciation and production. The student-run group will choose a theme each term and will watch films related to that theme with an aim to challenge students to watch films that they might otherwise pay little attention to.

There are a number of film festivals throughout the year that the group plans to attend. The students will organise teams to enter student eligible film competitions such as the 48 Hour Film Competition.

Workshops are held to introduce students outside of the media classes to film production, and for media students to improve their film making skills.



# MUSIC

Music is a thriving department at Baradene with many opportunities for students to learn an instrument and join various music groups (music fees apply to these groups/lessons). Many of our groups have achieved outstanding results at national competitions.

## ORCHESTRA

**Junior Duchesne Orchestra** | Years 7 – 9

**Senior Orchestra** | Years 9 – 13

**Chamber Orchestra** | Elite musicians selected from top players in Senior Orchestra

## BANDS

**Concert Band** | Years 7 – 13

**Jazz Band & Combo** | Selected from the ranks of Baradene Concert Band

**Symphonic Band** | Feeder group for the Concert Band

From year to year additional music groups and combos may be developed depending on the skills of the students available.

## CHOIRS AND VOCAL GROUPS

**Sophia Choir** | This is a non-auditioned choir for Year 7 and 8 students

**Schola Choir** | Auditioned group

**Baradonnas** | Barbershop-style, acapella singing group with dance and movement





### **ITINERANT MUSIC LESSONS**

The Itinerant Music programme is supported financially by the Ministry of Education. Places in this programme are limited as the Ministry allocates a set number of hours it funds for each school. A music lesson levy is to cover music and administration costs.

### **PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS**

There are a number of private Music teachers who teach at Baradene College. Fees vary per instrument.

### **STRING AND BAND ACADEMIES**

For Year 7-10 students with prior experience on their respective instrument to extend and fast track their way into our award-winning senior orchestra and concert band.

### **MUSIC THEORY CLUB**

For students who are sitting formal music exams (ABRSM/Trinity/NZMEB etc) and NCEA Music students. Students are expected to apply concepts they are taught to the pieces they are learning. This encourages them to contextualise the ideas taught.





# CULTURAL GROUPS

The annual ASB Polyfest is a key event which cultural groups in the school prepare for at the start of the year. The College offers students of any nationality the opportunity to join a Tongan, Samoan or Kapa Haka performance group. Dependent on student interest the College also offers Sri Lankan, Filipino and Indian groups.

Students train intensively in their chosen choreographed dance and song until the competition takes place during Term 1. Groups such as Kapa Haka carry on with a regular practice, developing their skills and preparing for performances and Powhiri throughout the year.

Cultural groups also have an opportunity to perform at Baradene's Fia Fia night in Term 1. Fia Fia night is a celebration of the diverse cultures at Baradene and an opportunity to showcase the many talents of the community.





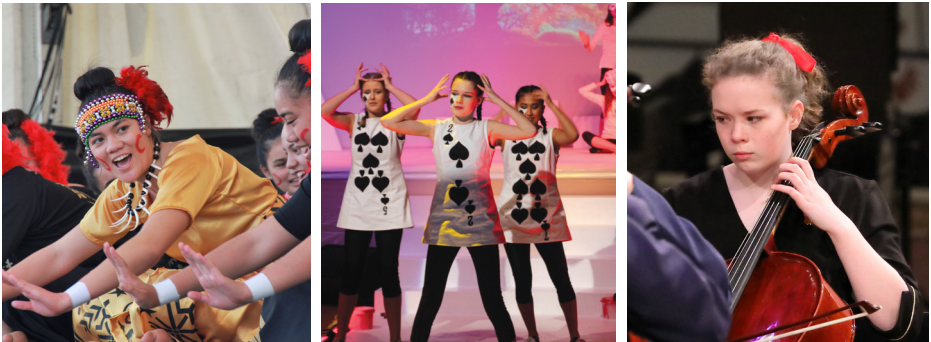
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