

**ASPIRE**  
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# IN YOUR SCHOOL

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Aspire can provide support in all things Creative Arts– workshops, teacher professional learning, staging, production management and more. If you're not sure where to start with your Creative Arts projects, feel free to contact Aspire who will be able to help you.



# CREATING AN ORIGINAL PERFORMANCE

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Aspire can provide teachers with assistance, advice and creative input in producing their school productions and events. This input can vary as per your school's needs and can include support for all or one element of creative arts. Each school has their strengths, and we are here to help showcase them with a little support along the way. Whether you wish to produce a play, musical, dance concert, band, or gallery event, Aspire is here to help.

## WHAT IT MAY LOOK LIKE...

### SCRIPTWRITING AND SONG WRITING

Aspire supports scriptwriting and song writing with a selected group of students on your school's choice of themes. Workshops are tailored to school's needs, along with the support with writing reflecting the student's ideas and input. A selected group of interested students or even a class could be involved in this writing process through a series of further opportunities including online writing sessions.

### DRAMA AND MOVEMENT

Aspire can assist staff with blocking and movement for performances and may offer advice on performance, voice and characterisation. Aspire will provide blocking notes for staff and schedules so they feel confident in continuing the rehearsal process. Multiple visits can be scheduled to assist depending on the needs of each school.

### DESIGN, PRODUCTION AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Aspire staff may provide workshops or advice on costuming, hair and make-up, props and set pieces or help with digital backdrops or other elements for the performance. Aspire can also provide support for lighting, sound, staging and WHS requirements. We can also provide access to our extensive costume/prop warehouse for schools to utilise.



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## PERFORMANCE SUPPORT

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Want to write your own script but need help with dance?

Do you have a show ready but need guidance with props or costumes?

Are your staff in need of support to get your show up and running?

The level of input or support from our Aspire team is tailored to your staff and school. Please reach out to one of our team members to discuss what you need .



## SCHOOL EXAMPLE

### HOLY SPIRIT ABERMAIN

Aspire staff went to Abermain to create an original show based on the theme: Zones of Regulation. This is an example of a school utilising multiple aspects of what Aspire can offer, this does not always have to be the case.

Each class covered one of the zones, with kindergarten also looking at class agreements.

The concepts for each class's script were workshopped with one of our Aspire team, the class, and their teacher, to create an inclusive script based on the student's own ideas. This ranged from dinosaurs, to magic potions, to minecraft. The students felt ownership of these ideas and therefore engaged enthusiastically in the process.

Each class also worked with Aspire to write their own song for their theme, which was recorded for use in the show. Students sang along with confidence and performed choreography that was created by another Aspire team member. The teachers of Holy Spirit Abermain were guided by Aspire to continue rehearsals after script, blocking, song, and choreography was created. They were given blocking notes, practice videos, edited music, original song tracks and guidance on the creation of props, set and costume.

#### ORIGINAL SCRIPT

Anna works with each class on ideas and lines for a unique script. Then once the script is finalised, Anna will return, help the classes rehearse and will assist with staging of the performance.

#### ORIGINAL SONGS

Jess comes out to school and workshops ideas for songs with each class.

She then writes the music, records the song and goes back to school to help the classes learn.

#### CHOREOGRAPHY

Lauren works with every class to choreograph a dance

This is filmed and then classes can rehearse



# IN SCHOOL SUPPORT

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ASPIRE can provide tailor made projects and workshops for your class, year group, stage or whole school.

Reach out to one of our team members to start the conversation about what could work well for your students and teachers.

## Project and Workshop examples:

### DESIGN

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- Art workshops- your choice of medium/theme
- Theatre- Costume/prop/set design and creation
- Create a mural for your school

### DRAMA

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- Performance Technique
- Different genres of theatre
- Script Preparation/Script writing

### DANCE

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- Choreography
- Skills/styles
- Physical Theatre

### MUSIC

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- Song writing and recording
- Instrumental and Vocal Workshops
- Ensemble Support (choir/rock band/concert band)

### PRODUCTION / VET SUPPORT

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- Lighting
- Sound
- Staging
- Work Experience/Work Placement



# PROFESSIONAL LEARNING



## IN SCHOOL

As Aspire staff are working with students at your school, teachers are invited to involve themselves in workshop activities and take notes to further develop their activity catalogue.

Teachers will remain in the workshop for assistance with behavior management but ultimately are welcome to participate in this professional development opportunity.

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT

All Aspire experiences for students are designed to be professional learning experiences for teachers. However, we also offer targeted professional learning for teachers. Past programs include Music Toolbox (for non-specialist primary teachers), choral conducting, ensemble conducting, dance development, drama play building, and the Teacher as Artist program. Aspire could even provide a professional development day for all staff in Creative Arts shaped to your needs.

## CURRICULUM SUPPORT

Our directors can also provide support with curriculum in your school including documentation, programming, scope and sequence, data and assessment and differentiated learning activities with a focus that integrates the other Creative Arts areas.

We offer support in the following subject areas: Music, Visual Art, Visual Design, Photography, and VET Entertainment Industry.



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