

LAUNCHING THIS TERM...

SONG LABS



A series of **songwriting workshops** for students to create an original song (utilising a Bible passage either chosen by your school or by Mustard).

An opportunity for students grow in their creative giftings while **growing their faith**, building fellowship, and witnessing to the broader school community with a performance.

SESSION 1: Unpacking the text

- Use five senses to come up with ideas/themes/implications from the text that we can draw upon in the lyrics
- Identify central words, thoughts, emotions that we want to convey

SESSION 2: Expanding on storytelling through melody and arrangement

- Pick a chord progression
- Choose song structure
- Ensure the crux of the song and message is clear

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SESSION 3: Melody and lyric workshopping

- Experiment with melodies made as a group
- Break off into focus groups to develop and refine Verses, Chorus and Bridge

SESSION 4: Consolidating and refining

- Work on musicality i.e. dynamics, distinguishing changes within the song to create a sense of movement between different thoughts/emotions, considering sections for harmonies, instrumental section etc.
- Practise song in its entirety as a group

(Optional) SESSION 5: Showcase

- Mustard staff would assist with the co-ordination of the performance at a chapel service or other similar event.