



**Rationale:**

- Implementation of the Australian Curriculum across the school will provide all students with a sequential curriculum framework that guides their learning, as well providing measures of learning achievement that allow students, teachers and parents the opportunity to assess student performance against expected achievement standards.

**Aims:**

- To optimise student learning through the implementation of the Australian Curriculum across each learning area from Foundation to Year 6 in a manner consistent with departmental requirements and locally identified needs.

**Implementation:**

- Our school is committed to the successful implementation of each of the Australian Curriculum learning areas from Foundation to Year 6.
- School Council will endeavour to have an active Curriculum Committee in order to oversee curriculum direction and Australian Curriculum implementation across the school.
- A senior staff member will be allocated the responsibility to lead a team in the development and implementation of a strategic plan for the integration of the Australian Curriculum from Foundation to Year 6.
- In doing so, all Department of Education timelines and reporting requirements will be met.
- We will endeavour to provide whole school professional development opportunities, as well as personal professional development plans developed that cater for the Australian Curriculum understanding and implementation needs of each staff member.
- We will endeavour to keep the community informed of the Australian Curriculum, with open evenings to explain structure and implementation of the new curriculum, regular bulletins in the newsletter, and updates of school progress in implementing the Australian Curriculum made available.
- Our strategic plan may incorporate audits of existing curriculum areas against the Australian Curriculum and will require faculties to work closely together to achieve consistency with curriculum implementation.
- All teachers are required to work with their respective teams, sections or faculties to contribute to the development and implementation of guaranteed and viable Australian Curriculum based courses for all students, and to implement student needs based lessons using agreed planning templates, assessment tools and lesson structures.
- We will endeavour to measure and report student achievements to students, parents, Department of Education and the wider community against the Australian Curriculum achievement standards, in each of the learning areas.
- All staff may participate in the collection of student achievement data, and all staff will have input into school decisions resulting from interpretations of student achievement data.
- We will endeavour to make the implementation of the Australian Curriculum a key performance indicator of each staff member's annual performance review.
- School council may provide adequate resources for the implementation of the Australian Curriculum and associated professional development etc.

**Evaluation:**

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle and feedback will be sought from the School Community.
- This policy was endorsed by School Council on Wed 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014.