



Teaching and Learning Update Friday 22 October 2021

KEY DATES & REMINDERS

****Student Free Day - Monday 25 October (Week 3)****

****School Closure Day - Friday 19 November (Week 6)****

Governing Council - Resource Centre, Monday 1 November (Week 4)

R-5 Swimming - Marion Outdoor Pool, Monday 8 - Friday 12 November (Week 5)

6/7 Illawonga Camp - Swan Reach, Monday 8 - Friday 12 November (Week 5)

6/7 Graduation - Morphettville Park Football Club, Wednesday 8 December (Week 9)

Australian Curriculum

The Australian Curriculum is designed to teach students what it takes to be confident and creative individuals and become active and informed citizens. It sets the goal for what all students should learn as they progress through their school life – wherever they live in Australia and whatever school they attend.

Every student is unique, with different needs and interests. Teachers use the curriculum to plan in ways that respond to those needs and interests.

The Australian Curriculum has been agreed to, and is being implemented in, all states and territories.

There are three dimensions in the Australian Curriculum:

- learning areas
- general capabilities
- cross-curriculum priorities.

Learning areas

The Australian Curriculum is organised into learning areas and subjects. Some learning areas bring a number of subjects together:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Health and Physical Education
- Humanities and Social Sciences including History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship, and Economics and Business
- The Arts including Dance, Drama, Media Arts, Music and Visual Arts
- Technologies including Design and Technologies and Digital Technologies
- Languages



General capabilities

General capabilities are the skills and abilities intended to help prepare young Australians to learn, live and work in the 21st century. The Australian Curriculum has seven general capabilities:

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Capability
- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Personal and Social Capability
- Ethical Understanding
- Intercultural

Understanding Cross-curriculum priorities

In a similar way, there are three priorities critical to Australia's future: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Histories and Culture Asia and Australia's Engagement with Asia Sustainability They build across the curriculum and allow students to connect the content of learning areas.

Warradale Primary School and Delivering the Australian Curriculum

At Warradale Primary School staff work in year level teams to effectively plan and program using the Australian Curriculum.

This effective curriculum planning:

- ensures a guaranteed and viable curriculum
- identifies progressive learning sequences to avoid gaps or repetition
- includes effective implementation that engages and challenges all students
- is designed to achieve long-term desired results.
- literacy and numeracy improvement
- evidence-informed school improvement planning for curriculum delivery
- school capacity to deliver a guaranteed and viable curriculum
- leadership capacity to effectively lead teaching and learning.
- provides a progressive sequence of learning content for a specific learning area for each year level over the years of schooling
- supports teacher curriculum planning in the learning area for each year level.

Recently, the Department for Education has released resources to further support teachers across South Australia in delivering the Australian Curriculum. These resources come in the form of:

- Scope and Sequence
- Units of Work
- Curriculum Tracking Guides

The curriculum resources help teachers across South Australia, including at Warradale Primary School, translate the Australian Curriculum into relevant and effective learning opportunities by:

- providing clear and concise curriculum implementation advice
- helping spark new ideas
- supporting excellent teaching and learning for our diverse mix of students
- helping us raise the standards for every learner.

Should you have any questions relating to the delivery of the Australian Curriculum at Warradale Primary School, please contact your child's teacher or check out the [Australian Curriculum - Parent Overview](#).