WANDIN NORTH

CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK

PURPOSE

The purpose of this framework is to outline Wandin North Primary School's organisation, implementation and review of curriculum and teaching practices and to ensure that, taken as a whole, all eight learning areas are substantially addressed, unless an exemption applies.

The framework shows, at a high level, how the school will deliver its curriculum, how the curriculum and teaching practice will be reviewed, how we assess student learning, how we record and monitor student performance, and when and how we report to parents.

This curriculum framework should be read alongside our whole school, curriculum area, year level and unit/lesson curriculum plans.

OVERVIEW

Wandin North Primary School provides all students with a planned and structured curriculum to equip them with the knowledge, skills and attributes needed to complete their schooling and to make a successful transition from Primary School to Secondary School and beyond.

Wandin North Primary School is committed to offering a comprehensive curriculum based on the <u>Victorian Curriculum F-10</u>. The key points in this framework, and in line with the <u>F-10 Revised Curriculum Planning and Reporting Guidelines</u>, are a commitment to:

- A defined curriculum content is the basis for student learning
- Curriculum planning that is based on two-year bands of schooling rather than each year level, and lesson plans that list students learning above and below this band
- LI and SC that ensure all students are challenged and supported approprtiately and experience success
- Maintaining a separate whole-school curriculum plan that documents our teaching and learning program
- Reporting student learning against the achievement standards in the curriculum
- Reporting student learning to students and parents in line with the Department's Reporting Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10 policy.
- Complying with Departmental policies relating to curriculum provision, including:
 - o Physical and Sport Education Delivery Outcomes
 - o <u>Sexuality and Consent Education</u>

Wandin North Primary School's mission is to provide students with the best possible foundation in life. Our Vision and Values are a fundamental part of who we are and what we do — we call it and celebrate "the Wandin North Way". Wandin North Primary School is committed to pursuing our vision, "a Community of Learners, Achieving Together" and to providing an inclusive, supportive and nurturing community in which inclusion and diversity are valued and celebrated. Our innovative curriculum and culture of excellence create a stimulating learning environment that engages and challenges students to achieve personal success and make positive contributions to society. Our school encourages students to strive for excellence in all of their endeavours. At Wandin North Primary School, our 21st century curriculum presents students with the opportunity to develop deep understandings on a range of concepts throughout their school lives. Our broad curriculum is planned and taught sequentially and allows students to have some ownership in all aspects of their learning. It

is designed to develop thinking and social skills, foster engagement with the wider community and include use of a wide variety of technology to assist in student learning. To support the delivery of the curriculum at our school we access and select a wide range of suitable educational resources and undertake a range of student assessment and reporting activities.

IMPLEMENTATION

Wandin North Primary School implements its curriculum through a differentiated and individualised approach. Our staff design Learning Intention and Success Criteria to ensure all children and challenged and supported appropriately and experience success. We value a consistent approach, clear expectations, routines and teacher collaboration. At Wandin North Primary School, class time is structured into a weekly timetable, with 6.5 hours of learning per day, broken into five 60-minute sessions.

Further information on how our school implements the curriculum, including the learning areas provided at each year level of schooling, and the capabilities that are developed by students across these learning areas and the approximate time allocations for each learning area, is provided in our whole school, curriculum area, year level and unit/lesson curriculum plans.

Language provision

Wandin North Primary School deliver an Indonesian Language program, based on the programs run by neighbouring secondary schools.

Pedagogy

The pedagogical approach at Wandin North Primary School supports students to learn in accordance with FISO 2.0. The interconnections between Wellbeing and Learning are at the forefront of our pedagogical decision making. Our approach to staff development encompasses the high impact teaching and learning strategies. We recognise the HITS as some of the most reliable teaching strategies for delivering learning outcomes.

Assessment

Wandin North Primary School assesses student progress in line with the Department's <u>Assessment of Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10 policy.</u>

Students at Wandin North Primary School will have multiple and varied opportunities to demonstrate learning and achievement. Teachers use assessment tasks that cover multiple curriculum levels to ensure that evidence of learning and growth is captured for every student.

Wandin North Primary School assesses student learning as part of the school-based curriculum program. We utalise a variety of formative and summative assessment strategies to understand our children, including:

- Teachers at Wandin North Primary School use a combination of formative assessment for learning (to focus feedback and guide future learning) and summative assessment of learning (to determine what the student has learned at the end of a sequence of learning), alongside student self-assessment and reflection.
- Assessment is used in an ongoing way, to guide future lessons and learning, as well as to keep students and parents informed of student progress.
- Teachers will use a variety of assessment strategies to gather evidence about student achievement. The agreed assessment processes and tasks are documented in the Subject Unit

Designs and Learning Sequences. The assessments may include, but are not limited to, tests and assignments, projects, portfolios, performances, discussions or student-teacher conferences.

- Assessment tasks are developed to support students to show their knowledge, skills and
 understandings and will include clear instructions, relevant supporting documents (scaffolds,
 planning documents, etc) and allow sufficient time for completion. Teachers will make
 modifications to the task to cater for students with additional learning needs.
- Wandin North Primary School will develop Individual Education Plans (IEPs) for students who are part of the Program for Students with a Disability (PSD), Koorie students and students in 'Out of Home' care, in consultation with students, parents and where appropriate, with outside agencies.
- Teachers will assess the achievements of students with disabilities and impairments in the context of the Victorian Curriculum and the 'Towards Foundation Level Victorian Curriculum' where applicable.
- The English language proficiency of English as Additional Language EAL students will be assessed using the Victorian Curriculum F-10 EAL.
- Where possible, staff will participate in cross marking of assessment tasks (moderation) involving assessment rubrics and work samples so that staff can apply consistent judgements of student progress against Victorian Curriculum Standards across the school.

Reporting

Wandin North Primary School reports student progress to parents in line with the Department's Reporting Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10 policy. In addition, Wandin North Primary School ensures that there is continuous sharing of assessment information formally and informally with parents/carers throughout the term/semester, including through twice-annual formal reporting.

Wandin North Primary School implements the <u>Reporting Student Achievement and Progress</u> <u>Foundation to 10</u> policy and provide informal and formal opportunities for parents/carers and students to discuss semesterly school student reports with teachers and/or school leaders.

The report will be in a written format easy for parents/carers to understand and will be accessible in digital form with the option to translate text from English to another language, to cater to our school community.

- Wandin North Primary School will report directly against the Victorian <u>Curriculum F-10</u>
 achievement standards or, if reporting on students for whom English is an additional language,
 the Victorian Curriculum F-10 EAL achievement standards.
- Both student achievement and progress will be included in the report.
- An age-related five-point scale, where the quality of a student's achievement against what is 'expected' for students of that year level at the time of reporting, will be used for reporting against the achievement standards in English, Mathematics and Science (where applicable).
- Wandin North Primary School will use either a learning goals scale or a learning dimensions scale for other areas of the curriculum.
- Opportunities will be provided for parents/carers and students to discuss the school report with teachers and/or school leaders.

Parent-teacher interviews, conducted twice-yearly, enable the opportunity to discuss the students' progress and how they can continue to be supported at home. Interpreting services will be made available where required.

CURRICULUM AND TEACHING PRACTICE REVIEW

School curriculum and teaching practice is reviewed against the <u>Framework for Improving of Student Outcomes (FISO 2.0)</u>. FISO and the FISO improvement cycle help identify focus areas for improvement and to evaluate the impact of introduced initiatives.

Review of school curriculum

Layer of review/planning	Process and data used	Responsibility	Timeframe
Whole school	Our Scope and Sequence handbooks detail what is taught when. These frameworks complement the Victorian Curriculum's learning progressions and ensure our curriculum is sequenced carefully. Our pedagogies mirror our agreed Instructional Model frameworks. The Instructional Models are designed and reviewed colabortitively by staff to ensure instruction is effective, research based, differentiated and consistent.	Principal Class Learning Specialist SIT	Ongoing
Curriculum Areas	Curriculum Leaders monitor summative learning area data. Analysis and trends are presented to the SIT, PLTs and (where appropriate) all staff. Our data tracking systems tirangulate summative data from DET approved assessment tools. This system allows leadership and leaders to monitor growth trends and identify/investigate areas for improvement.	SIT Curriculum Leaders PLTs	Annual review Termly monitoring
Year levels	Term Overviews refer to best practice research and scope and sequence handbooks. Teams use planning days to design Learning Intentions, Success Criteria and activities based on cohort curriculum achievement data. These documents reference the DET Teaching and Learning Toolkits and the HITS.	Year level Leaders All staff	Termly
Units and lessons	Team planning is used to identify how areas of the curriculum need to be taught, based on student learning data (including formative). Student achievement levels are noted on	Year level leaders All staff	Fortnightly, weekly, daily

planning documents and success criteria are adapted to ensure all children are challenged	
appropriately and experience success.	

Review of teaching practice

Wandin North Primary School reviews teaching practice via:

- Professional Learning Communities, which link the learning needs of students with the professional learning and practice of teachers and provide an opportunity for teachers to collaboratively evaluate the effect of high impact teaching strategies; and
- the Performance Development cycle, which provides an opportunity to provide feedback to teaching staff on their performance to support ongoing learning and development, with a focus on how student learning can be improved through improving teaching practice.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

- Policy and Advisory Library:
 - o Curriculum Programs Foundation to 10
 - o Framework for Improving Student Outcomes (FISO 2.0)
 - o Assessment of Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10
 - o Digital Learning in Schools
 - o Students with Disability
 - o Koorie Education
 - o Languages Education
 - o Physical and Sport Education Delivery Requirements
- Holocaust Education
- Reporting Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10
- Sexuality and Consent Education
- School Hours (including variation to hours)

This policy should be read alongside:

- whole school curriculum plan
- teaching and learning program for each learning area and capability
- teaching and learning program for each year level
- unit plans/sequence of lessons

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	May 2023
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