



# Curriculum Framework Policy

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### Help for non-English speakers

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### PURPOSE

The purpose of this framework is to outline Mahog

### OVERVIEW

Mahogany Rise 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 school to work, training, or further education.

Mahogany Rise Primary School is committed to offering a comprehensive curriculum based on the Victorian Curriculum F-10 Version 2.0. The key points in this framework, and in line with the F-10 Revised Curriculum Planning and Reporting Guidelines, 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
- Developing and publishing 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:
  - Physical and Sport Education — Delivery Outcomes
  - Sexuality and Consent Education

Mahogany Rise Primary School is committed to lifelong learning by providing an inclusive, supportive and nurturing community in which diversity is valued and celebrated. Our innovative curriculum and culture of excellence creates a stimulating learning environment that engages and challenges students to



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achieve personal success and make positive contributions to society. Our school encourages students to strive for excellence in all of their endeavours.

At Mahogany Rise 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 the 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**

Mahogany Rise Primary School implements the Victorian Curriculum as a framework for curriculum development and delivery, in accordance with DET policies and guidelines. Our school provides a variety of programs that will address specific needs of students in relation to gender, special learning needs, disabilities, impairments, giftedness and students from language backgrounds other than English. Our school provides 5 specialist subjects each week; Physical Education, Respectful Relationships, Brain Lab (Digitech and STEM), Art and AUSLAN. At Mahogany Rise Primary School, class time is structured into a weekly timetable, with 5 hours of learning per day, broken into 6, 50-minute sessions.

Further information on how our school implements the curriculum, including the learning areas provided at each year level, 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**

Mahogany Rise Primary School will deliver AUSLAN as a Language, based on fostering inclusivity, promoting cultural understanding, and enhancing communication skills.

### **Pedagogy**

The pedagogical approach at Mahogany Rise Primary School is Explicit Direct Instruction, where teachers directly and systematically teach new skills and concepts, emphasizing clear explanations, modeling, guided practice, and immediate feedback to ensure student mastery.



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### **Assessment**

Mahogany Rise Primary School assesses student progress in line with the Department's Assessment of Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10 policy.

Students at Mahogany Rise 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.

- *Teachers at Mahogany Rise 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.*
- *Check for Understanding is an assessment tool used in an ongoing way, to guide future lessons and learning.*
- *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.*
- *Mahogany Rise 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.*
- *During staff professional learning communities, staff will participate in cross marking of assessment tasks (moderation) involving assessment*



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*rubrics and work samples so that staff can apply consistent judgements of student progress against Victorian Curriculum Standards across the school.*

### **Reporting**

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

*At Mahogany Rise Primary School 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.*

- *Mahogany Rise Primary School will report directly against the Victorian Curriculum F-10 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.*
- *Mahogany Rise 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 Framework for Improving of Student Outcomes (FISO 2.0). FISO and the FISO improvement cycle help identify focus areas for improvement and to evaluate the impact of introduced initiatives.



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### Review of teaching practice

Mahogany Rise 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:
  - [Curriculum Programs Foundation to 10](#)
  - [Framework for Improving Student Outcomes \(FISO 2.0\)](#)
  - [Assessment of Student Achievement and Progress Foundation to 10](#)
  - [Digital Learning in Schools](#)
  - [Students with Disability](#)
  - [Koorie Education](#)
  - [Languages Education](#)
  - [Physical and Sport Education — Delivery Requirements4](#)
  - [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.