



# Curriculum

## POLICY AND PROCEDURES

### SCOPE:

This policy applies to all teachers at Hallam Primary School.

### RATIONALE:

The Australian Curriculum in Victoria, AusVELS (**Australian Victorian Essential Learning Standards**) provides the framework for curriculum development from Foundation to Year 10 at Hallam Primary School.

### AIMS:

- To use AusVELS and a range of supporting curriculum options to develop and provide education programs that are meaningful for students.
- To provide a whole school curriculum from Foundation to Year Six.

### GUIDELINES FOR ACTION:

- The Department provides resources and support to assist Hallam Primary School in implementing the AusVELS curriculum. These resources include:
  - Principles of Learning and Teaching P-12 (PoLT)
  - Curriculum Planning Guidelines
  - Assessment Advice
  - Student Report Cards.
- Units of Inquiry are delivered via Unit Hero, an online planning tool (see Unit Hero Policy).
- The Unit Hero concepts include Community, Sustainability, Social Justice, Creativity, Identity, Change, Necessity and Curiosity.
- The VCAA and ACARA websites will be used to support the implementation of AusVELS and Unit Hero.
- Each semester, modules will develop comprehensive Unit of Inquiry, Mathematics and English planning documents.
- Online learning programs will also form a part of the curriculum.
- School Council will oversee and approve curriculum direction and AusVELS implementation.
- The community will be kept informed of the curriculum, via the school website, notices, newsletter items, parent – teacher forums, and updates of school progress in implementing and assessing AusVELS will be made available.

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| <b>References</b>             | Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority – Foundation-10 Curriculum<br><a href="http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/foundation10/f10index.aspx">http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/foundation10/f10index.aspx</a><br>Hallam Primary School Unit Hero policy<br>Hallam Primary School Teaching Practice policy<br>Hallam Primary School Assessment policy |