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Secondary
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Balmain

Stage 4 Year 8 Assessment Booklet 2025

Student Name: _____

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Assessment Policy

Objectives of our assessment program:

- To monitor and report on student progress and attainment.
- To facilitate the involvement of students in the assessment of their own work.
- To facilitate communication between teachers and parents about their child's progress, development and learning needs.
- To enable teachers to monitor their own teaching approaches and methodologies.

Strategies to assist student achievement in assessment tasks

A consistent application of this policy in Year 8 will provide increased support of student success with their assessment tasks.

To assist a consistent application:

- Regular teacher professional learning.
- Year group presentations to students on assessment support and expectations.
- The assessment policy and outline is clearly available on the school's website to assist in keeping students and parents informed.
- Class teachers conduct introductory lessons with students leading them through scope and sequences, related assessment tasks and expectations of student participation.
- All tasks are identified in course scope and sequences and assessment schedules.
- Use of the website to assist in keeping students and parents informed.
- Deliberate focus on celebrating and recognition of student success through school merits.
- Lifeskills outcomes can be met in a number of ways in consultation with parents, students and other significant individuals, as outlined in the student's individual learning plans.

Course outlines and assessment schedules

Teachers will make available the outline for each course. These outlines will indicate the approximate timing of assessment tasks in relation to the sequence of the course topics.

Assessment schedules will be made available for each course in each year. The schedules will include:

- A list of outcomes being assessed.
- The assessment tasks with weightings mapped back to the outcomes being assessed.
- Tasks that all students doing the same course do within each year.

Notification of assessment tasks

Assessment tasks for years 7-10 are prepared on the school's agreed *notification of assessment* proforma and are issued to the students as early as possible before a task. This will be with a minimum of two weeks' notice.

These notifications of assessments should:

- Indicate the outcomes that are being assessed, the value of the task, the nature of the task, the due date and marking criteria.
- Be uploaded to the Sentral Parent Portal for respective year groups.
- Be discussed by the class teacher when distributed to reinforce approach and expectations.
- Indicate student feedback with consideration to scaffolds to guide assessment expectations.

Supporting submission of tasks

Expectations of students for successful completion of assessment tasks:

- Plan for their tasks using the assessment schedules.
- Refer to the assessment notifications and seek a copy if they were absent at the time of distribution.

- Seek further guidance from teachers asking questions that enable a deeper understanding of what the task requires.
- Complete all assessment tasks on time.
- Submit their own work, making a genuine and serious attempt.
- Complete each assessment task to the best of their ability.
- Ensure that any questions they have about the marks/grades/comments awarded for an individual piece of work are resolved at the time the work is handed back.
- Reflect on teacher comments and performance to develop strategies to improve in future tasks.
- Work without hindering the learning and work of another student with both hand in tasks and tests/examinations.

Grounds for rescheduling an assessment task include:

- Illness or valid injury.
- Authorised absence from school.
- Severe family disruption.
- Student involvement in an official school function.
- Other as approved by the Head Teacher of the KLA or the Deputy Principal.

Process for illness/misadventure applications & rescheduling tasks:

- Rescheduling of tasks will be arranged where the grounds as detailed above have been met.
- The Head Teacher of the course is responsible for authorising the rescheduling of a task.
- All applications must be accompanied by a note from the parent/caregiver or a completed *Illness / Misadventure* form.
- Where a student was absent or had a legitimate reason to not hand in a task, the student must see the teacher or Head Teacher on the first day of return to school to hand in the task.

- Where a student was absent and had a legitimate reason to have missed a task, the student must see the teacher or Head Teacher on the first day of return to school to submit the task or organise a time to complete the task.

Process to manage missed or late submission of a task

The following procedures apply to students who missed or submitted a task late and it was not covered by illness/misadventure.

- A penalty will apply for missed or late submission of an assessment task not covered by illness/misadventure applications. Students will lose 10% of the mark normally awarded for every calendar day late up to a maximum of 50%. Weekends count as two days.
- In most instances, parents will be notified and a penalty of 50% is given.
- Students will have their work marked and will be provided with feedback on the possible marks earned for the task.
- Students must submit all assessment tasks regardless of the penalties applied.

NB: Consistently not submitting assessment tasks by due dates could result in the student not satisfying course requirements. The students and their parents will receive a letter of concern in these cases.

Managing issues surrounding malpractice including suspected plagiarism

Plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty are unacceptable. You should be aware that current rules for cheating and plagiarism still apply to AI. All work should be your own or correctly acknowledged. It is important that you take academic pride and ownership by submitting original work. If proven, a penalty, including consideration of a ZERO mark, will be given appropriate to the seriousness of the issue.

Issues of malpractice need to be:

- Investigated by the teacher and Head Teacher of the respective course who will provide the student(s) with an opportunity to address the issue.
- The Head Teacher will consult with the Deputy Principal to deliberate a course of action and communicate this to the student and the student's parents.
- If the malpractice is proven, a penalty, including consideration of a zero mark, will be given appropriate to the seriousness of the issue.
- Malpractice includes copying another's words, ideas, designs or workmanship, using material directly from a source without reference, and submitting work to which an Artificial Intelligence or another person has contributed substantially.
- Building on the ideas of another person without reference to the source.
- Buying, stealing or borrowing another person's work and presenting it as one's own.
- Submitting work to which another person, such as a parent, coach, AI or subject expert has contributed substantially.
- Using words, ideas, designs or the workmanship of others in practical and performance tasks without appropriate acknowledgement.
- Breaching school examination rules.
- Not making a genuine effort with an assessment task.
- Assisting another student to engage in malpractice.

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Strategies to ensure the authenticity of student responses to tasks

- Thoroughly briefing all students about the requirements of each task using the school's notifications of assessments.
- Consider allocating class time to the planning of a response to a task.
- Consider a process diary or journal that students use to show how their response project or work was developed.
- Asking students to submit a task at critical points in its development.
- Have students submit their original drafts in addition to their final work.
- Incorporating student oral presentations on the progress of their work.
- Communicating clearly to students the extent of teacher, or other expert or outside involvement permitted in the development of the work.
- In some courses, students will sit examinations. There is no formal examination period in Year 7 and Year 8.
- When completing examinations in classes students are expected to apply themselves in the examination until the designated writing time has elapsed. Students are encouraged to review their work if they finish early.
- Students are not to take any writing materials, pencil cases, books or other non-approved materials into the examination. Answer paper will be provided for all assessment tasks as required. Approved equipment taken into the examination room must be carried in as separate items.
- Mobile phones are to be switched off before entering the examination room and kept in the student's bag which will remain in the hall. Failure to comply with this may be considered as malpractice in the examination.

- Once they enter the examination room, students are expected to remain quiet and not talk to or interfere with other students or their equipment.

Misconduct in formal examinations and other assessment tasks

- Misconduct during any task or formal examination may be regarded as malpractice. Zero marks may be awarded to students who are involved in misconduct during an examination or other assessment tasks. Misconduct refers to any form of behaviour or activity that may fall under the definition of malpractice.
- All class tasks including formal examinations must be attempted seriously. Non-serious attempts or inappropriate responses are an issue of malpractice.

Technology and assessment tasks

Many assessment tasks submitted by students are prepared using technology and are either printed or uploaded for submission. Unfortunately, technology fails or breaks down at the most inopportune times. Faulty equipment, including printing issues are not an acceptable excuse for late submission.

To assist students in the utilisation of technology, the following guidelines should be considered:

- Always complete work before the deadline. This enables appropriate measures to be taken in the event of equipment failure.
- Back up files regularly.

- Submit work using the learning platform as advised by your teacher, such as Google Classroom.
- Print out copies of drafts and keep them while the assignment is in progress.
- Bring a copy of the file to school by saving on a cloud, email or on a USB.

Appeals Process

Appeals concerning assessment procedures may only be based on the assessment process. While a teacher may choose to review the mark allocated for a task or part of a task, the professional judgement of a teacher is not grounds for an appeal.

When a student feels that a decision applied to their work is not consistent with the school's assessment policy and procedures, they may appeal to the Head Teacher in the first instance.

Where a student feels that the appeal to the Head Teacher has not been considered, they may appeal to the Principal / Deputy Principal to determine if:

- The weightings specified by the school in its assessment program were followed and conform with NESA's requirements as detailed in the syllabus;
- The procedures used to determine the final assessment marks conform with the issued assessment program; and,
- There are no computational or other clerical errors in the determination of the assessment mark.

Balmain Campus School Reports

To inform students, parents and caregivers of student progress, the school issues Half Yearly School Reports at the end of term 2 and Yearly Reports at the end of term 4.

In each subject, student progress will be indicated on the report in three ways.

1. Overall progress and position in the group is indicated by an Assessment Mark. This is calculated by adding together the marks for the assessment tasks, using the weighting scale.
2. Progress in the learning outcomes will be indicated using the Achievement Scale:

Achievement Scale	Achievement Description
Outstanding Achievement	The student has an extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and can readily apply this knowledge. In addition, the student has achieved a very high level of competence in the processes and skills and can apply these skills to new situations.
High Achievement	The student has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the content and a high level of competence in the processes and skills. In addition, the student is able to apply this knowledge and these skills to most situations.
Sound Achievement	The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills.
Basic Achievement	The student has a basic knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a limited level of competence in the processes and skills.
Limited Achievement	The student has an elementary knowledge and understanding in a few areas of the content and has achieved very limited competence in some of the processes and skills.

3. Other information, including work habits, areas for improvement will be included in the teacher comment.



Illness/misadventure form

This form must be submitted to the appropriate Head Teacher **on the day you return to school**.
or emailed to the school balmain-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au. School phone number 9810 0471.

Name: _____ Year: _____

Teacher: _____ Subject: _____

Title of Task: _____ Due date of task: _____

Are you seeking special consideration for (circle) (a) illness OR (b) misadventure ?

Please provide details and reasons for your request. Attach all necessary medical certificates and other documents.

Parent/caregiver's signature: _____ Date: _____

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

HEAD TEACHER USE ONLY:

Supporting evidence (attached): Yes No

Was the school notified of the absence? Yes No

Special consideration accepted Yes No

Action: _____

Head Teacher's signature: _____ Date: _____

Assessment Planning Calendar Term 1 2025

Week	Due This Week
Week 3 10 Feb	
Week 4 17 Feb	
Week 5 24 Feb	
Week 6 3 March	
Week 7 10 March	
Week 8 17 March	
Week 9 24 March	PDHPE Task 1: Healthy Relationships Presentation Languages Task 1: In-Class Test (Listening & Reading) (25%)
Week 10 31 March	English Task 1: Our Heroes Film Study Multimodal Presentation Science Task 1: Matter and Chemical Changes Practical Examination
Week 11 7 April	HSIE Task 1: Interconnections Digital Data Collection Creativity Task 1: Neverland Collaborative Theatre Project and Folio

Assessment Planning Calendar Term 2 2025

Week	Due This Week
Week 1 28 April	
Week 2 5 May	
Week 3 12 May	
Week 4 19 May	Mathematics Task 1: Common Assessment and Validation Test Visual Arts Task 1: No Time For Logic
Week 5 26 May	Music Task 1: Heroes and Villains Film Music Composition Technology Mandatory Task 1: Design Project and Folio.
Week 6 2 June	Languages Task 2: Multimodal Task (Speaking & Writing) (25%)
Week 7 9 June	
Week 8 16 June	
Week 9 23 June	
Week 10 30 June	English Task 2: Write Before Your Eyes Creative Portfolio Creativity Task 2: Edible Art Cooking Design Practical and Folio

Assessment Planning Calendar Term 3 2025

Week	Due This Week
Week 1 21 July	PDHPE Task 2 : Striking Games Practical Task (ongoing to Week 10)
Week 2 28 July	PDHPE Task 3: Fitness & Lifestyle Report
Week 3 4 Aug	HSIE Task 2: Water and Vikings Creative Writing Task Science Task 3: Depth Study Plan
Week 4 11 Aug	
Week 5 18 Aug	Mathematics Task 2: Examination and Study Sheet, Extension Examination
Week 6 25 Aug	
Week 7 1 Sept	Science Task 2: Depth Study Logbook (check)
Week 8 8 Sept	
Week 9 15 Sept	SCHOOL MUSICAL WEEK 2025
Week 10 22 Sept	English Task 3: Novel Study Essay Science Task 2: Depth Study Report Creativity Task 3: Era Innovations Individual Project

Assessment Planning Calendar Term 4 2025

Week	Due This Week
Week 1 13 Oct	
Week 2 20 Oct	
Week 3 27 Oct	HSIE Task 3: Black Death Short Film/Multimodal
Week 4 3 Nov	Mathematics Task 3: Examination and Study Sheet, Extension Examination Music Task 2: Popular Music Performance Languages Task 3: Yearly Examination (All skills) Science - Valid 8 Testing in Hall
Week 5 10 Nov	Science Task 3: Yearly Examination Visual Arts Task 2: Sound & Colour Creativity Task 4: Creative Climates Campaign Project and Folio Technology Mandatory Task 2: Design Project and Folio
Week 6 17 Nov	
Week 7 24 Nov	
Week 8 1 Dec	

CREATIVITY

Delivered by: CAPA/TAS Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Thompson/Ms Bean

Students in the Creativity Enrichment class will complete four tasks in Year 8. These tasks cover all of Technology Mandatory.

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 11	Neverland: Collaborative Theatre Project	Project & Folio	TE4-1DP TE4-10TS MUS 4.7 VA 4.9	20%
Task 2	Term 2 Week 10	Edible Art: Cooking Design	Cooking Tasks & Folio	TE4-5AG TE4-6FO VA 4.6 VA 4.10	20%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Coursework	Class tasks	TE4-2DP	10%
Task 3	Term 3 Week 10	Era Innovations: Individual Project	Project & Folio	MUS 4.1 VA 4.7 TE4-1DP	20%
Task 4	Term 4 Week 5	Creative Climates: Ceramics & Campaigns	Project & Folio	VA 4.2 VA 4.4 VA 4.6 TE4-2DP	20%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Coursework	Class tasks	TE4-5AG MUS 4.11 VA 4.8	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA Creativity Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes on the following page.

Technology Mandatory

TE4-1DP	Designs, communicates and evaluates innovative ideas and creative solutions to authentic problems or opportunities
TE4-2DP	Plans and manages the production of designed solutions
TE4-3DP	Selects and safely applies a broad range of tools, materials and processes in the production of quality projects
TE4-4DP	Designs algorithms for digital solutions and implements them in a general-purpose programming language
TE4-5AG	Investigates how food and fibre are produced in managed environments
TE4-6FO	Explains how the characteristics and properties of food determine preparation techniques for healthy eating
TE4-7DI	Explains how data is represented in digital systems and transmitted in networks
TE4-8EN	Explains how force, motion and energy are used in engineered systems
TE4-9MA	Investigates how the characteristics and properties of tools, materials and processes affect their use in designed solutions
TE4-10TS	Explains how people in technology related professions contribute to society now and into the future

Visual Arts

VA 4.1	Uses a range of strategies to explore different artmaking conventions and procedures to make artworks
VA 4.2	Explores the function of and relationships between artist – artwork – world – audience
VA 4.3	Makes artworks that involve some understanding of the frames
VA 4.4	Recognises and uses aspects of the world as a source of ideas, concepts and subject matter in the visual arts
VA 4.5	Investigates ways to develop meaning in their artworks
VA 4.6	Selects different materials and techniques to make artworks
VA 4.7	Explores aspects of practice in critical and historical interpretations of art
VA 4.8	Explores the function of and relationships between the artist – artwork – world – audience
VA 4.9	Begins to acknowledge that art can be interpreted from different points of view
VA 4.10	Recognises that art criticism and art history construct meanings

Music

MUS 4.1	Performs in a range of musical styles demonstrating an understanding of musical concepts
MUS 4.2	Performs music using different forms of notation and different types of technology across a broad range of musical styles
MUS 4.3	Performs music demonstrating solo and/or ensemble awareness
MUS4.4	Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through exploring, experimenting, improvising, organising, arranging and composing
MUS4.5	Notates compositions using traditional and/or non-traditional notation
MUS4.6	Experiments with different forms of technology in the composition process
MUS4.7	Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through listening, observing, responding, discriminating, analysing, discussing and recording musical ideas
MUS4.8	Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through aural identification and discussion of the features of a range of repertoire
MUS 4.9	Demonstrates musical literacy through the use of notation, terminology, and the reading and interpreting of scores used in the music selected for study
MUS 4.10	Identifies the use of technology in the music selected for study, appropriate to the musical context
MUS 4.11	Demonstrates an appreciation, tolerance and respect for the aesthetic value of music as an artform
MUS 4.12	Demonstrates a developing confidence and willingness to engage in performing, composing and listening experiences

ENGLISH

Delivered by: English Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Gammie

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 10	Our Heroes: Film Study	Multimodal	ECA-01 URA-01 ECB-01	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Reading & Writing	Book Quizzes & Class Tasks	URB-01	10%
Task 2	Term 2 Week 10	Write Before Your Eyes	Creative Portfolio	ECA-01 ECB-01 URC-01	30%
Task 3	Term 3 Week 10	Conflict: Novel Study	Essay	URA-01 RVL-01 URB-01	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Reading & Writing	Book Quizzes & Class Tasks	URB-01	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA English Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

EN4-RVL	uses a range of personal, creative and critical strategies to read texts that are complex in their ideas and construction
EN4-URA	analyses how meaning is created through the use of and response to language forms, features and structures
EN4-URB	examines and explains how texts represent ideas, experiences and values
EN4-URC	identifies and explains ways of valuing texts and the connections between them
EN4-ECA	creates personal, creative and critical texts for a range of audiences by using linguistic and stylistic conventions of language to express ideas
EN4-ECB	uses processes of planning, monitoring, revising and reflecting to support and develop composition of texts

FRENCH

Delivered by: Languages Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Ragen

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 9	Introducing Yourself, Family, Friends and Pets	In-class Test: Listening and Reading	ML4- INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4- CRT-01	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Class Work	Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing French	ML4- INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4- CRT-01	10%
Task 2	Term 2 Week 6	Let's Eat	Multimodal: Speaking and Writing Task	ML4- INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4- CRT-01	25%
Task 3	Term 4 Week 4	All topics studied this year	Yearly Examination	ML4- INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4- CRT-01	30%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Class work	Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing French	ML4- INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4- CRT-01	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA French Modern Languages Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

ML4-INT-01	Exchanges information and opinions in a range of familiar contexts by using culturally appropriate language
ML4-UND-01	Interprets and responds to information, opinions and ideas in texts to demonstrate understanding
ML4-CRT-01	Creates a range of texts for familiar communicative purposes by using culturally appropriate language

HSIE

Delivered by: HSIE Faculty

Head Teacher: Mr Pragnell

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 11	Interconnections	Digital Data Collation	GE4.4, GE4.5, GE4.6, GE4.8	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Participation and engagement Communication Self and Peer Reflection	Active Citizenship	GE4.4, GE4.5, GE4.6, GE4.8	10%
Task 2	Term 3 Week 3	Water and The Vikings	Creative Task	HT4.3, HT4.4, HT4.6, HT4.9, GE4.1, GE4.2	30%
Task 3	Term 4 Week 3	Black Death	Short Film/Multimodal	HT4.4, HT4.8, HT4.9, HT4.10	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Participation and engagement Communication Self and Peer Reflection	Active Citizenship	HT4.4, HT4.8, HT4.9, HT4.10	10%
TOTAL					100%

Class component active citizenship descriptor:

- Asking, answering and posing key inquiry questions
- Active participation in class discussions
- Working collaboratively, sharing skills and knowledge in completing work
- Reflecting upon learning through self and peer reflection
- Multimodal interaction, engagement and discernment

NESA Geography and History Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

Geography	
GE4-1	Locates and describes the diverse features and characteristics of a range of places and environments
GE4-2	Describes processes and influences that form and transform places and environments
GE4-4	Examines perspectives of people and organisations on a range of geographical issues
GE4-5	Discusses management of places and environments for their sustainability
GE4-6	Explains differences in human wellbeing
GE4-8	Communicates geographical information using a variety of strategies
History	
HT4-3	Describes and assesses the motives and actions of past individuals and groups in the context of past societies
HT4-4	Describes and explains the causes and effects of events and developments of past societies over time
HT4-6	Uses evidence from sources to support historical narratives and explanations
HT4-8	Locates, selects and organises information from sources to develop an historical inquiry
HT4-9	Uses a range of historical terms and concepts when communicating an understanding of the past
HT4-10	Selects and uses appropriate oral, written, visual and digital forms to communicate about the past

JAPANESE

Delivered by: Languages Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Ragen

Task	Date due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 9	Introducing Yourself, Family, Friends and Pets	In-class Test: Listening and Reading	ML4-INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Class work	Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing Japanese	ML4-INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	10%
Task 2	Term 2 Week 6	Let's Eat	Multimodal: Speaking and Writing Task	ML4-INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	25%
Task 3	Term 4 Week 4	All topics studied this year	Yearly Examination	ML4-INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	30%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Class work	Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing Japanese	ML4-INT-01 ML4-UND-01 ML4-CRT-01	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA Japanese Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

ML4-INT-01	Exchanges information and opinions in a range of familiar contexts by using culturally appropriate language
ML4-UND-01	Interprets and responds to information, opinions and ideas in texts to demonstrate understanding
ML4-CRT-01	Creates a range of texts for familiar communicative purposes by using appropriate language

MATHEMATICS

Delivered by: Mathematics Faculty

Head Teacher: Mr McDermott

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 2 Week 4	Uncertainty (Shape and Skew)	Common Assessment (20%) and Validation Test (10%)	MAO-WM-01, MA4-PRO-C-01, MA4-DAT-C-01, MA4-DAT-C-02	30%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Semester One Topics	Participation & Engagement, Communication, Self-Reflection	MAO-WM-01	10%
Task 2	Term 3 Week 5	2D Spatial Relations (Triangles, Geometry), Number Relationships (Multiplicative Thinking, Ratios and Rates)	Examination and Study Sheet, Extension Examination	MAO-WM-01, MA4-EQU-C-01, MA4-PYT-C-01, MA4-ANG-C-01, MA4-FRC-C-01, MA4-IND-C-01, MA4-RAT-C-01	20%
Task 3	Term 4 Week 4	Linear Relationships (Analysing Patterns) 2D Spatial Relations (Exploring Circles)	Examination and Study Sheet, Extension Examination	MAO-WM-01, MA4-LIN-C-01, MA4-FRC-C-01, MA4-EQU-C-01, MA4-LEN-C-01, MA4-ARE-C-01	30%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Semester Two Topics	Participation & Engagement, Communication, Self-Reflection	MAO-WM-01	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA Mathematics Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

MAO-WM-01	Develops understanding and fluency in mathematics through exploring and connecting mathematical concepts, choosing and applying mathematical techniques to solve problems, and communicating their thinking and reasoning coherently and clearly
MA4-PRO-C-01	Solves problems involving the probabilities of simple chance experiments
MA4-DAT-C-01	Classifies and displays data using a variety of graphical representations
MA4-DAT-C-02	Analyses simple datasets using measures of centre, range and shape of the data
MA4-EQU-C-01	Solves linear equations of up to 2 steps and quadratic equations of the form
MA4-PYT-C-01	Applies Pythagoras' theorem to solve problems in various contexts
MA4-ANG-C-01	Applies angle relationships to solve problems, including those related to transversals on sets of parallel lines
MA4-FRC-C-01	Represents and operates with fractions, decimals and percentages to solve problems
MA4-IND-C-01	Operates with primes and roots, positive-integer and zero indices involving numerical bases and establishes the relevant index laws
MA4-RAT-C-01	Solves problems involving ratios and rates, and analyses distance–time graphs
MA4-LIN-C-01	Creates and displays number patterns and finds graphical solutions to problems involving linear relationships
MA4-LEN-C-01	Applies knowledge of the perimeter of plane shapes and the circumference of circles to solve problems
MA4-ARE-C-01	Applies knowledge of area and composite area involving triangles, quadrilaterals and circles to solve problems

MUSIC

Delivered by: CAPA Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Thompson

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 2 Week 5	Film Music: Heroes vs Villains	Composition	4.4, 4.5, 4.6	40%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Coursework	Film Music Booklet & Rehearsal	4.9, 4.12	10%
Task 2	Term 4 Week 4	Popular Music: From Vinyl to Streams	Performance	4.1, 4.3, 4.7	40%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Coursework	Popular Music Booklet & Rehearsal	4.2, 4.8, 4.9	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA Music Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

4.1	Performs in a range of musical styles demonstrating an understanding of musical concepts
4.2	Performs music using different forms of notation and different types of technology across a broad range of musical styles
4.3	Performs music demonstrating solo and/or ensemble awareness
4.4	Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through exploring, experimenting, improvising, organising, arranging and composing
4.5	Notates compositions using traditional and/or non-traditional notation
4.6	Experiments with different forms of technology in the composition process
4.7	Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through listening, observing, responding, discriminating, analysing, discussing and recording musical ideas
4.8	Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through aural identification and discussion of the features of a range of repertoire
4.9	Demonstrates musical literacy through the use of notation, terminology, and the reading and interpreting of scores used in the music selected for study
4.10	Identifies the use of technology in the music selected for study, appropriate to the musical context
4.11	Demonstrates an appreciation, tolerance and respect for the aesthetic value of music as an artform
4.12	Demonstrates a developing confidence and willingness to engage in performing, composing and listening experiences

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PDHPE)

Delivered by: PDHPE Faculty

Head Teacher: Mr McGregor

Task	Date due	Topic	Type of task	Outcomes assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 9	Healthy Relationships	Theory: Healthy Relationships Presentation	PD 4.1 PD 4.3 PD4.9 PD4.10	30%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Communication Participation/ Engagement	Classwork Key Inquiry Questions, Practical Lessons	PD4.4 PD4.5 PD4.6 PD4.8	10%
Task 2	Term 2 Week 2 (Ongoing to week 10)	Movement Skills 'Striking Games'	Practical	PD4.2, PD4.6 PD4.7 PD4.8	25%
Task 3	Term 3 Week 2	Fitness & Lifestyle	Integrated: Fitness and physical activity case study	PD4.2, PD4.6 PD4.7 PD4.8	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Communication Participation/ Engagement	Classwork Key Inquiry Questions, Practical Lessons	PD4.2 PD4.6 PD4.11	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA PDHPE Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

PD4.1	Examines and evaluates strategies to manage current and future challenges
PD4.2	Examines and demonstrates the role help-seeking strategies and behaviours play in supporting themselves and others
PD4.3	Investigates effective strategies to promote inclusivity, equality and respectful relationships
PD4.4	Refines, applies and transfers movement skills in a variety of dynamic physical activity contexts
PD4.5	Transfers and adapts solutions to complex movement challenges
PD4.6	Recognises how contextual factors influence attitudes and behaviours and proposes strategies to enhance health, safety, wellbeing and participation in physical activity
PD4.7	Investigates health practices, behaviours and resources to promote health, safety, wellbeing and physically active communities
PD4.8	Plans for and participates in activities that encourage health and a lifetime of physical activity
PD4.9	Demonstrates self-management skills to effectively manage complex situations
PD4.10	Demonstrates how movement skills and concepts can be adapted and transferred to enhance and perform movement sequences

SCIENCE

Delivered by: Science Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms El-Rakshy

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 1 Week 10	Matter and Chemical Changes	Practical Examination	SC4-CW SC4-WS	25%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Matter, Chemical Changes, Resources Rocks	Class work Participation	SC4-CW SC4-PW SC4-ES	10%
Task 2	Term 3 Week 3,7,10	Plants	Depth Study	SC4-WS	25%
Task 3	Term 4 Week 5	All Topics	Yearly Examination	SC4-CW SC4-ES SC4-LW SC4-PW SC4-WS	30%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Plants, Ecosystems, Body Systems	Class work, Participation	SC4-LW	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA Science Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

4WS-9WS	Predict, investigate, conduct, process and analyse, select appropriate strategies and present scientific findings.
10PW	Describes the action of unbalanced forces in everyday situations
11PW	Discusses how scientific understanding and technological developments have contributed to finding solutions to problems involving energy transfers and transformations
12ES	Describes the dynamic nature of models, theories and laws in developing scientific understanding of the Earth and solar system
13ES	Explains how advances in scientific understanding of processes that occur within and on the Earth, influence the choices people make about resource use and management
14LW	Relates the structure & function of living things to their classification, survival and reproduction
15LW	Explains how new biological evidence changes people's understanding of the world
16CW	Describes the observed properties and behaviour of matter, using scientific models and theories about the motion and arrangement of particles
17CW	Explains how scientific understanding of, and discoveries about, the properties of elements, compounds and mixtures relate to their uses in everyday life

TECHNOLOGY

Delivered by: TAS Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Bean

Students will complete one project and folio per semester in Year 8.

Task	Due Date	Topic	Task Type	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 2 Week 5	Food Technologies Engineering/systems Materials Technology - Textiles - Metal	Design Project & Folio	TE4-1DP TE4-5AG TE4-6FO TE4-8EH TE4-9MA TE4-10TS	40%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Communication Collaboration Coursework	Ongoing Class Evaluation	TE4-2DP, TE4-3DP TE4-BEN TE4-4DP TE4-7D1	10%
Task 2	Term 4 Week 5	Food Technologies Engineering /systems Materials Technology - Textiles - Metal	Design Project & Folio	TE4-1DP TE4-4DP TE4-5AG TE4-6FO TE4-8EH TE4-9MA TE4-10TS	40%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Communication Collaboration Coursework	Ongoing Class Evaluation	TE4-2DP TE4-3DP TE4-4DP TE4-7D1	10%
Total					100%

NESA Technology Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

TE4-1DP	Designs, communicates and evaluates innovative ideas and creative solutions to authentic problems or opportunities
TE4-2DP	Plans and manages the production of designed solutions
TE4-3DP	Selects and safely applies a broad range of tools, materials and processes in the production of quality projects
TE4-4DP	Designs algorithms for digital solutions and implements them in a general-purpose programming language
TE4-5AG	Investigates how food and fibre are produced in managed environments
TE4-6FO	Explains how the characteristics and properties of food determine preparation techniques for healthy eating
TE4-7DI	Explains how data is represented in digital systems and transmitted in networks
TE4-8EN	Explains how force, motion and energy are used in engineered systems
TE4-9MA	Investigates how the characteristics and properties of tools, materials and processes affect their use in designed solutions
TE4-10TS	Explains how people in technology related professions contribute to society now and into the future

VISUAL ARTS

Delivered by: CAPA Faculty

Head Teacher: Ms Thompson

Task	Date Due	Topic	Type of Task	Outcomes Assessed	Weighting
Task 1	Term 2 Week 4	No Time For Logic	Portfolio of Works	4.2, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6	40%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 1	Coursework	Artist Studies	4.8	10%
Task 2	Term 4 Week 5	Sound & Colour	Portfolio of Works	4.1, 4.2, 4.5, 4.6	40%
Class Component	Ongoing Semester 2	Coursework	Artist Studies	4.7	10%
TOTAL					100%

NESA Visual Arts Syllabus Stage 4 outcomes:

4.1	Uses a range of strategies to explore different artmaking conventions and procedures to make artworks
4.2	Explores the function of and relationships between artist – artwork – world – audience
4.3	makes artworks that involve some understanding of the frames
4.4	Recognises and uses aspects of the world as a source of ideas, concepts and subject matter in the visual arts
4.5	Investigates ways to develop meaning in their artworks
4.6	Selects different materials and techniques to make artworks
4.7	Explores aspects of practice in critical and historical interpretations of art
4.8	Explores the function of and relationships between the artist – artwork – world – audience
4.9	Begins to acknowledge that art can be interpreted from different points of view
4.10	Recognises that art criticism and art history construct meanings