

2017 Year 8 CLASS CURRICULUM OUTLINE
Homeroom teacher: Mr Butler

Outlined below are the topics and units in the various curriculum subjects your child will be studying this semester. Other current topics of interest may crop up during the Term to add to this or even take the place of an existing topic. If you have any resources or expertise you could share regarding any of these topics, it would be wonderful to hear from you.

SUBJECT	TERM ONE	TERM TWO
Biblical Studies S Allan	Two Ways to Live Introduction to Theology: - Who is God? - God's Revelation	Introduction to Theology (cont.) - The Bible - Other Religions - The Trinity and God's Sovereignty
English J James W Lyons	What is English? LITERATURE: Novel studies – <i>I am David</i> Wide Reading LITERACY: Writing/Composition – exercises and tasks leading to short story writing. LANGUAGE: Comprehension skills, expansion of vocabulary and language skills will be incorporated into writing, reading and speaking.	LITERATURE: Poetry – analysis and writing Wide Reading LITERACY: Media – Creating a website NAPLAN preparation Oral Expression – Poetry recitation LANGUAGE: Comprehension skills, expansion of vocabulary and language skills will be incorporated into writing, reading and speaking.
Maths K Inman	Integers (Year 7 review) and Indices Lines, Shapes and Solids Algebra	Probability and Statistics Measurement Introduction to Pythagoras
Science L Findlay	Introduction to Science and the Laboratory Separating Mixtures – pure substances and mixtures, using properties for separations, solutions and solubility Water: - A precious resource, The water cycle, Waste water treatment.	Classifying Living Things – characteristics of living things, dichotomous keys, features of plants, animals, fungi and bacteria. Growing and Multiplying – cells dividing; plant structure and function including photosynthesis, pollination and life cycles. Animal life cycles and reproduction; human reproduction
History & Humanities S Allan	History: Introduction to Ancient History, Creation, Sumer, Egypt, Israel, Empires: Assyria, Babylonia, Persia. Historical sources and skills. Geography: What is Geography? Water – a renewable resource; Water management; Geographical skills e.g. mapping	History: Ancient Greece; Historical sources and skills Civics & Citizenship: Introduction to Australian Democracy Geography: Australia's water resources; Weather and climate; Weather hazards and disasters; Geographical skills
German S White	Meeting people – greetings, introductions, descriptions Likes and dislikes – expressing opinions, agreeing and disagreeing	Family – descriptions, asking questions Countries – The EU, where you come from Colours Possessive adjectives

Digital Technology C Butler	Introduction to Digital Tech. Intro to Binary number system and its use in computers. Networks and data transfer.	
Health C Butler C Cain	Alcohol and other drugs	Sexual harassment/Bullying
Physical Education C Cain C Butler	Swimming Training/ Swimming Carnival; Secondary Camp; Athletics Carnival preparation Cross Country Training	Athletics Carnival; Softball; Volleyball.
Year 8 Food Technology: Benefits of good nutrition	Benefits of good nutrition exercise & sleep; food models & factors influencing food choices; nutrients; cereals; sensory properties & work plans; aeration; labels; bread; formatting a recipe; rice;	pasta and noodles; vegetables; legumes & nuts; eggs; fruit; enjoyment of food & etiquette; design briefs – hosting a morning or afternoon tea; fats & oils; salt; sugar; terms & abbreviations
Industrial Design C Butler	Safety in the workshop, three drawing styles used to represent projects. Butt and biscuit joints and construct a project using the joints – a cutting board	Butt and biscuit joints and construct a project using the joints – a pair of bookends
Music W Lyons	Music commences Semester 2 for Year 8	
Art C Cain	Human figure drawing Ceramics	Landscape Art