

# YEAR 8 2024

# CURRICULUM HANDBOOK



WADALBA  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
PROGRESS WITH PRIDE



# INTRODUCTION

The Wadalba Community School Curriculum Handbook is designed to inform students and their parents / carers about the courses they are participating in throughout the year and provides a general overview of topics covered each term and the formal assessment associated with each course.

Student learning is assessed in a variety of forms including observations in class and looking closely at tasks throughout the year.

The information in this handbook is subject to change and is to be used as a guide only. The scheduling for each topic within each course may change throughout the year. Likewise, the scheduling of each assessment task may also change from what is stated in this handbook.

Students will receive formal written notification for every assessment task they receive for each subject. This formal notification of assessment will be issued to students a minimum of two weeks before the due date of the task.

Students in Year 8 who hand in work late, will be subjected to a set of consequences, including a Faculty warning letter. Assessment tasks handed in late without a valid reason will be awarded a mark of zero. The Wadalba Community School Assessment Policy will be utilised for assessments that are handed in late or not at all.

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## YEAR 8 PATTERN OF STUDY

SUBJECT	HEAD TEACHER	PERIODS PER FORTNIGHT
PDHPE	Shannon Cameron	6 periods per fortnight
TAS	Meredith Smee	6 periods per fortnight
English	Alison Clark (Rel)	7 periods per fortnight
Language (Japanese)	Jennifer Cox(Rel)	5 periods per fortnight
HSIE	Dean Hancock	5 periods per fortnight
Mathematics	Triscia von Pralitz (Rel)	7 periods per fortnight
CAPA	Janelle Johnson	5 periods per fortnight
Science	Emma Downey (Rel)	6 periods per fortnight



# CAPA - MUSIC - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## TERM 1 AND 3

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Popular music									
							Task 1 Listening test	Task 2 Composition	

## TERM 2 AND 4

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Music and technology									
	Task 3 Performance								

# CAPA - MUSIC - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3
TOPIC AREA	Popular music	Music and technology	Popular music
TASK DESCRIPTION	Listening test	Pop digital composition	Small ensemble performance and solo performance observations
DATE	Week 8, Term 1 and 3	Week 9, Term 1 and 3	Week 2, Term 2 and 4



# CAPA - VISUAL ARTS - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## TERM 1 AND TERM 3

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
My Place									
				Task 1					Task 2

## TERM 2 AND TERM 4

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
My Place										
		Task 3, 4, 5								



# CAPA - VISUAL ARTS - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	Task 5
TOPIC AREA	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place
TASK DESCRIPTION	Appreciation Task	Domus house tile	My Place Booklet	Sally Morgan Painting	VAPD
DATE	Week 5, Term 1 or 3	Week 10, Term 1 or 3	Week 3, Term 2 or 4	Week 3, Term 2 or 4	Week 3, Term 2 or 4



# ENGLISH - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1

### TOPIC: FIRST NATIONS VOICES

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Voices of Colonisation		Voices of Dispossession		Voices of Assimilation		Voices of Reconciliation		Consolidating understanding and revision	
								Task 1	

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2

### TOPIC: GENRE STUDY

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
What is genre?		Codes and Conventions of Genre		Film Techniques and Analysis		Plot Structure, Characterisation and Setting		Consolidating understanding and revision	
								Task 2	

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3

### TOPIC: CLOSE STUDY OF A NOVEL

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Significance of the Novel		Literary Terms and Metalanguage		Context and Author		Plot Structure, Characterisation and Setting		Consolidating understanding and revision	
								Task 3	

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4

### TOPIC: TEACHERS CHOICE: CHALLENGES OR SURVIVAL

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Class teachers will select a unit of work that best suits the students in their class									
No Formal Assessment this term									



# ENGLISH - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3
TOPIC AREA	First Nations Voices	Genre	Novel and Literary Value
TASK DESCRIPTION	Language Conventions and Persuasive Writing	Film Review Multimodal Presentation	Extended Response and Reflection
DATE	Week 9, Term 1	Week 9, Term 2	Week 9, Term 3



# SPANISH - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Introduction to Spanish		<b>Nice to meet you!</b> Students learn to perform a self-introduction in Spanish, and produce a spoken presentation saying their name, age and where they live. They develop awareness of phonological similarities and differences between Spanish and English.							
									Task 1

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
<b>Let's be friends!</b> Students learn numbers, the days of the week, the months and to ask and answer simple questions about themselves. They learn to compose a letter to a penpal from a Spanish speaking country.									
								Task 2	

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
<b>Latin American folktales</b> Students apply their study of Hispanic folklore and tales to create their own Hispanic mythical character, with a description of its physical characteristics and personality in Spanish.						<b>My Dream Week in a Spanish speaking country</b> Students explore and describe a range of experiences to do in their chosen Hispanic country.			
									Task 3

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
<b>A trip to Mexico</b> Students plan and present a narrated itinerary for a trip to Japan in Japanese					<b>Hispanic Celebrations</b> Students explore cultural significance of El día de los Muertos, Christmas and other festivals in Spain and Latin America.				

# SPANISH - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3
TOPIC AREA	Nice to meet you!	Hiragana and my penpal	Japan Supernatural
TASK DESCRIPTION	Creating text: Self introduction video Understanding: Hiragana test	Creating text: Letter to penpal Understanding: test	Interacting: Describing a <i>yokai</i> Understanding: test
DATE	Term 10-11, Term 1	Week 9, Term 2	Week 10, Term 3

# HSIE - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1 SUBJECT: GEOGRAPHY

### TOPIC: INTERCONNECTIONS

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Personal Connections		Technology		Trade			Production and Consumption		
							Task 1		

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2 SUBJECT: GEOGRAPHY

### TOPIC: WATER IN THE WORLD

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Water Resources	The Water Cycle	Australia's Water Resources		Water Scarcity and Water Management		The Value of Water		Natural Hazards	
Task 2									

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3 SUBJECT: HISTORY

### TOPIC: THE WESTERN AND ISLAMIC WORLD

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Western and Islamic World									
					Task 3			Task 4	

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4 SUBJECT: HISTORY

### TOPIC: EXPANDING CONTACTS/ASIA-PACIFIC WORLD

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Expanding Contacts					Asia-Pacific World				

# HSIE - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	TASK 4
TOPIC AREA	Geography - Water in the World	Geography - Interconnections	History - Medieval Europe	History - Ancient to Modern World
TASK DESCRIPTION	Photo Essay	Skills Test	Research Task	Skills Test
DATE	Week 8, Term 1	Week 1, Term 2	Week 6, Term 3	Week 9, Term 3



# MATHEMATICS - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Algebraic Techniques 2				Equations 2			Operations with Numbers		
							Assessment Task 1		

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Right Angled Triangles (Pythagoras)			Properties of 2D figures				Financial Mathematics		
								Assessment Task 2	

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Length, Area and Volume						Ratio and Rates			
									Assessment Task 3

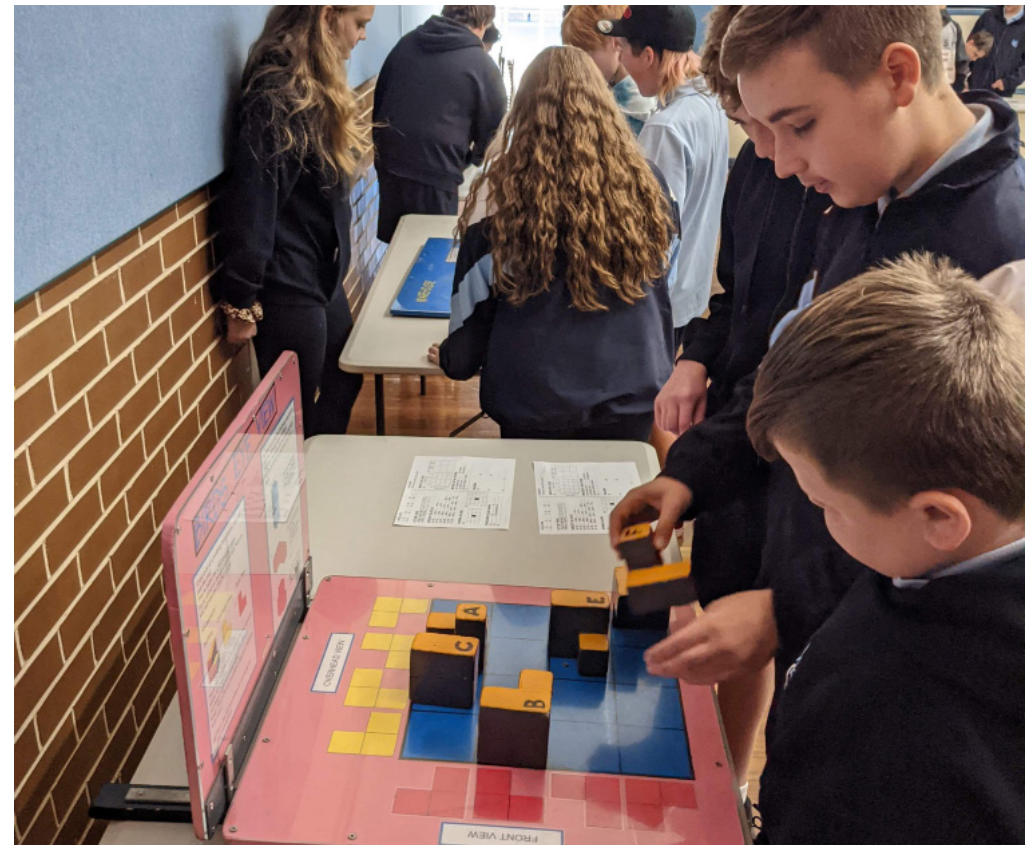
## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
Congruency		Linear Relationships			Indices		Data and Single Variable Analysis			
							Assessment Task 4			



# MATHEMATICS - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	TASK 4
TOPIC AREA	Operations with Number	Financial Mathematics	Ratio and Rates	Data and Single Variable Analysis
TASK DESCRIPTION	Open Book Examination	Summary Sheet Examination	Measurement Assignment	Summary Sheet Examination
DATE	Week 8, Term 1	Week 9, Term 2	Week 10, Term 3	Week 8, Term 4



# MATHEMATICS HPG - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Representing Numbers / Additive Thinking / Multiplicative Thinking									
									Assessment Task 1

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Investigating Triangles					Financial Maths				
									Assessment Task 2

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Exploring Circles / Constructing Cylinders					2D Shapes / Properties of Geometrical Figures				
							Task 3		

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Rates and Ratios					Linear Relationships				
							Task 4		



# MATHEMATICS HPG -YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	TASK 4
TOPIC AREA	Number Operations	Triangles Financial Maths	Circles and Cylinders 2D Shapes	Rates and Ratios
TASK DESCRIPTION	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4
DATE	Week 10, Term 1	Week 10, Term 2	Week 8, Term 3	Week 8, Term 4



# PDHPE- SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1

### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Fit for life									
								Task 1	

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Athletics Explorers							Fit for life		
						Task 2			

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2

### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Changing relationships									

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Net / court games: Pickleball and volleyball or badminton									
Ongoing Practical Assessment									

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3

### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Smart moves: Making safe choices with substances									

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Invasion games: European handball and gaelic football									

# PDHPE - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE CONTINUED

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4

### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
Mindful living: building resilience and wellbeing										

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
Aussie sports										

## PDHPE - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	
TOPIC AREA	Fit for life	Athletic explorers	Net/Court games: Pickleball and volleyball or badminton	Year 8 PDHPE
TASK DESCRIPTION	Assessment task	Assessment task	Ongoing Practical Assessment	Yearly test
DATE	Week 9, Term 1	Week 7, Term 1	Ongoing Term 2	Week 9, Term 3



# SCIENCE - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 1

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Living World									
							Collaborative Project Task		

## SEMESTER 1 | TERM 2

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Earth and Space									
	Semester 1 Examination							War on Waste Depth Study	

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 3

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Chemical World									
							Chemistry Practical Skills Task		

## SEMESTER 2 | TERM 4

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11
Physical World										



# SCIENCE - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	TASK 4
TOPIC AREA	Living World	Living World	Earth and Space	Chemical World
TASK DESCRIPTION	Collaborative Project Task	Semester 1 Examination	War on Waste Depth Study	Chemistry Practical Skills Task
DATE	Weeks 7-8, Term 1	Week 2, Term 2	Week 8, Term 2	Week 7, Term 3



# TAS ENGINEERED SYSTEMS - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## TERM 1 OR 3

### SUBJECT: THEORY UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Identify and Define			Research and Planning			Produce and Implement			
									Research Task

### SUBJECT: PRACTICAL UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Automata									

## TERM 2 OR 4

### SUBJECT: THEORY UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Test and Evaluate		Introduction, history and design			Produce and Implement			Evaluate	
	Automata Practical and Portfolio								

### SUBJECT: PRACTICAL UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
		Pinball Game							

# TAS ENGINEERED SYSTEMS - YEAR 8 ASSESSMENT

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2
TOPIC AREA	Automata Practical and Portfolio	Automata, Folio and Research Task
TASK DESCRIPTION	People in Technology Research Task	Automata Practical and Portfolio
DATE	Week 10, Term 1 or 3	Week 2, Term 2 or 4



# TAS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

## TERM 1 OR 3

### SUBJECT: THEORY UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Safety and Hygiene		Food Sustainability				Multicultural Food			

### SUBJECT: PRACTICAL UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Scones		Cajun Wrap		Pizza		Chocolate & Lemon Myrtle Crackles		Assessment Prac	
								Multicultural Assessment	

## TERM 2 OR 4

### SUBJECT: THEORY UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Multicultural Food				Healthy Eating					

### SUBJECT: PRACTICAL UNIT

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Chicken & Black Bean		Pear & Banana Muffins		Lentil Spaghetti Bolognese		Fried Rice			
								Healthy Eating Tank	



# TAS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE - ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE

TASK NUMBER	TASK 1	TASK 2
TOPIC AREA	Multicultural Food	Healthy Eating
TASK DESCRIPTION	Multicultural Assessment	Healthy Eating Tank
DATE	Week 9, Term 1 or 3	Week 9, Term 2 or 4



# 2024 ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
<b>TERM 1</b>					VISUAL ARTS
<b>TERM 2</b>	HSIE  PDHPE ongoing practical assessment	MUSIC SCIENCE TAS	VISUAL ARTS		
<b>TERM 3</b>					VISUAL ARTS
<b>TERM 4</b>		MUSIC TAS	VISUAL ARTS		

	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9	WEEK 10
<b>TERM 1</b>		PDHPE	MUSIC HSIE MATHEMATICS SCIENCE TAS	ENGLISH MUSIC PDHPE TAS	VISUAL ARTS MATHEMATICS HPG SPANISH
<b>TERM 2</b>		PDHPE		ENGLISH MATHEMATICS SCIENCE SPANISH TAS	MATHEMATICS HPG
<b>TERM 3</b>	HSIE		MUSIC MATHEMATICS HPG SCIENCE TAS	ENGLISH HSIE MUSIC PDHPE TAS	VISUAL ARTS MATHEMATICS SPANISH
<b>TERM 4</b>			MATHEMATICS MATHEMATICS HPG	TAS	



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