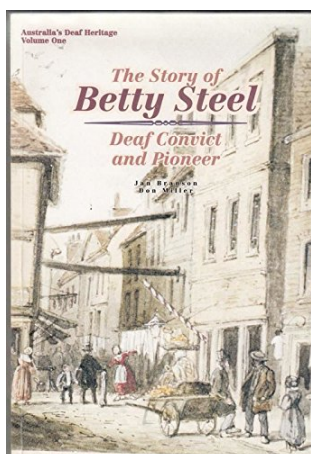


## Term Two: Auslan Overview

This term in Auslan classes, our Prep to Year 4 students will explore the sign themes of transport, places around the school, farm animals, and questioning. They will also continue to develop their finger-spelling skills through engaging board games and hands-on activities that encourage sentence construction.

Our year 5 and 6 students will embark on a theoretical journey into Australian Deaf history, with a focus on Betty Steel who was a deaf convict and then provide a deeper appreciation for Deaf culture through stories of key figures such as Frederick J Rose, the founder of Melbourne's first Deaf school, and Thomas Pattison, who established Sydney's first Deaf school with an emphasis on deafblind individuals. Students will also learn about the history of Deaf Catholic schools, the evolution of hearing devices, and the significant advancements in Deaf rights into the 1920s.



Betty Steel – Deaf Convict



Frederick J Rose



Thomas Pattison



Deaf Catholic School in Portsea



Evolution of Hearing Devices