

Year 4 Curriculum Update

2026 Term 1



This update will be sent home to let you know what is happening in the specialist classes this term.

Science and Technologies - Cecilie

In Science and Technologies, Year 4 students are learning about living things and their life cycles. They will investigate the life cycles of plants and animals, including both metamorphic and non-metamorphic life cycles. Students will observe and record changes over time and compare how different living things grow and develop. They will also use the Makers Empire app to design and create 3D models showing the stages of animal life cycles.

Italian- Dee

In Italian this term it's all about 'l'orto' (the veggie garden) as our Year 4s commence their second year of our amazing kitchen-garden program. They'll be learning the Italian words for a range of garden produce and use this language to form sentences around food preferences. Through this topic, our Year 4 students will build on their knowledge of articles, plurals and different forms of the verb 'avere' (to have) and 'essere' (to be). They will also learn about the importance of 'l'orto' in Italian culture, and look at the wonderful contribution that immigration has made to the Australian food landscape..

Visual Arts- Chantel

Year 4 students will begin the year working on horse themed artworks linked to Chinese New Year, exploring how art is an important part of this celebration. They will look at famous horse line artworks by Pablo Picasso for inspiration.

Students will then move on to explore the Element of Art: Shape. They will classify different types of shapes, including geometric and organic, and explore ways these can be used in their own art projects. They will look at artists who feature shape in their work

such as Paul Klee and Henri Matisse, and take inspiration from them for their own pieces.

Performing Arts- Audrey

This term, students will explore the use of melodic percussion for composition. Students will use bordoun, ostinato and simple melodies to begin to create their own music, as a class and, when ready, in small groups.

Year 4 students will also be learning to play ukulele. For interested students, this will give them the opportunity to join performance-oriented, lunchtime ensembles later in the year.

Physical Education- Hollie

This term in Physical Education, students in Year 4 will be practising a range of athletics skills in preparation for the upcoming Athletics Day at the end of term. Activities will focus on developing running, jumping, and throwing skills, while building fitness, technique, and sportsmanship. Students will also be encouraged to set personal goals, support their peers, and demonstrate teamwork and fair play.

Reminders and Dates for the Calendar

3-6 Athletics day- 2nd of April