



YEAR 4 TERM 2 OVERVIEW

Excellence
& Honour

English

In the unit “Quest for Knowledge: Blogging through Rowan’s Adventures in Rin”, students explore the quest novel *Rowan of Rin* by **Emily Rodda** through reading, discussion and analysis. They participate in pair, small-group, whole-class and online discussions, where they ask thoughtful questions, respond to the ideas of others and share their own interpretations. As they engage with the text, students examine the development of characters, events and settings, and consider how the author builds plot tension and creates emotional impact for the reader.

Humanities and Social Sciences

Students investigate key aspects of Australia’s history through learning about First Nations peoples, European exploration and the First Fleet. They explore the motivations, lives and voyages of European explorers in the late eighteenth century, and examine the reasons for, journey of and impact of the First Fleet. Students also consider the perspectives of different groups and the significant changes these events brought about.

Spanish

Students develop their Spanish language skills by learning vocabulary and simple sentence structures related to family. They revise and use family names, learn words and expressions to describe family members, and use modelled sentences to compose short texts. Students also translate short texts using word lists and begin to understand how the culture of Spanish speakers influences everyday interactions, including greetings.

Music

Students listen to, perform and create music with increasing control and accuracy. They explore rhythmic and melodic patterns, including reading and writing simple notation. Students rehearse and perform music in groups, developing ensemble skills and an understanding of structure and form.

Mathematics

Number

- Develop understanding of odd and even numbers.
- Deepen understanding of how numbers work together through the exploration of fractions and decimals.
- Explore the multiplicative relationship between place values.
- Apply multiplication and division strategies based on the inverse relationship between the two operations.
- Choose and use efficient strategies when modelling financial and practical problems, and communicate solutions in context.

Measurement

- Solve everyday problems involving duration of time, including converting between units of time.

Science

In this unit students will investigate physical properties of materials and consider how these properties influence the selection of materials for particular purposes. Students will make predictions and use appropriate materials and equipment safely to make and record observations when conducting investigations. Students will represent data, identify patterns in their results, suggest explanations for their results, compare their results with their predictions, and reflect upon the fairness of their investigations. Students will complete simple reports to communicate their findings.

Digital Technologies

Students collect and manipulate data to present information about sustainability. They represent their data using Microsoft Excel and infographics.

Physical Education

In athletics, students refine fundamental movement skills and apply movement strategies for running, jumping, and throwing to perform various events at the Senior Athletics Carnival.