THE PATCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Curriculum

Rationale:

• Implementation of the Victorian Curriculum across the school will provide all students with a sequential curriculum framework that guides their learning, as well providing measures of learning achievement that allow students, teachers and parents the opportunity to assess student performance against expected achievement standards.

Aims:

• To optimise student learning through the implementation of the Victorian Curriculum across each learning area from Foundation to Year 6 in a manner consistent with departmental requirements and locally identified needs.

Implementation:

- Our school is committed to the successful implementation of each of the Victorian Curriculum domains and capabilities from Foundation to Year 6.
- School Council will have an active Education Committee in order to oversee curriculum direction and Victorian Curriculum implementation across the school.
- The Leadership Team will be allocated the responsibility to lead a team in the development and implementation of a strategic plan for the integration of the Victorian Curriculum from Foundation to Year 10 and other curriculum issues as they arise.
- In doing so, all Department of Education timelines and reporting requirements will be met.
- Whole school professional development opportunities will be provided, as well as personal
 professional development plans developed that cater for the Victorian Curriculum
 understanding and implementation needs of each staff member.
- The community will be kept well informed of the Victorian Curriculum, with open evenings to explain structure and implementation of the new curriculum, regular bulletins in the newsletter, and updates of school progress in implementing the Victorian Curriculum made available.
- Our strategic plan will incorporate audits of existing curriculum areas against the Victorian Curriculum and will require teams to work closely together to achieve consistency with curriculum implementation.
- All teachers are required to work with their respective teams, to contribute to the development
 and implementation of guaranteed and viable Victorian Curriculum based programs for all
 students, and to implement student needs based lessons using agreed planning templates,
 assessment tools and lesson structures.
- Student achievement will be measured and reported to students, parents, Department of Education and the wider community against the Victorian Curriculum achievement standards, in each of the domains.
- All staff will participate in the collection of student achievement data, and all staff will have input into school decisions resulting from interpretations of student achievement data.
- Implementation of the Victorian Curriculum will be a key performance indicator of each staff member's annual performance review.
- School council will provide adequate resources for the implementation of the Victorian Curriculum and associated professional development via the budget.

Evaluation:

This policy was originally formed, and will be reviewed in consultation with all members of the wider community (all staff, parents, students, and interested members of the community) as part of the school's five - year review cycle.

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