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Student Diversity

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Year 4 Syllabus

Year Level Description

In Year 4, Humanities and Social Sciences, Geography and History

Students develop their skills in critical thinking and researching, and apply these skills to their learning. They explore the social and environmental developments, issues and challenges of the 21st century.

Students continue to develop their understanding of the concepts of democracy and citizenship. They explore the role of the individual in community life. The syllabus is developed to encourage diversity.

The concepts of place and environment continue to be developed. Students inquire into how the environment affects things; and that people and the environment affect each other. The development of the study of the location and movement of people and goods.

Students are given the opportunity to explore the key concepts of empathy and significance. They explore the historical arrival of the European people in Australia.

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Year Levels

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Strands

- Select All
- Humanities and Social Sciences skills
- Knowledge and understanding

General Capabilities

- Select All
- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Information and Communication Technology (ICT) capability
- Critical and creative thinking

1800s. They explore experiences contrib

Economics and Bus curriculum provides concepts, such as p

Knowledge and

CIVICS AND CITIZENSHI

Government and

The purpose of gov familiar services pr government (e.g. li parks, environment and sporting faciliti management) ([ACH](#)

Personal and socia

Ethical understand

The differences bet 'laws' ([ACHASSK09](#)

Personal and socia

Ethical understand

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- ✔ Personal and social capability
 - ✔ Ethical understanding
 - ✔ Intercultural understanding
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- 👥 Personal and socia
- ⚖️ Ethical understand

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- ⚖️ Ethical understand
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GEOGRAPHY

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- 🔢 Numeracy
- 🧠 Critical and creativ

The importance of e
animals and people
views on how they
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Peoples' ways of liv
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HISTORY

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Australia's first peo
they are connected
(e.g. land, sea, wat
their pre-contact w
([ACHASSK083](#))

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Columbus, Vasco d
Magellan), including
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impact on **one** soci

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to Australia, and the following arrival (e.g. convicts, daily lives) ([ACHASSK085](#))

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🌐 Intercultural under

The nature of contact between Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Peoples and others (e.g. Macassans, Europeans) and how that these interactions had on the environment and lives (e.g. dispossession, the loss of lives through disease, loss of food and medicines) ([ACHAS](#))

🎯 Critical and creativ

🌐 Intercultural under

Achievement st

At Standard, students from a variety of sources and use sources given criteria to select data by sequencing information and/or processes to draw conclusions from information and/or forms appropriate to texts supported by action.

Students identify the people's identity can distinguish between important in maintaining

Students identify the relation to Australia environments and conditions plants and animals different views on them can be managed and

Students describe the Country/Place and its and around the world significance of past of an individual or a the past and identify

In Year 4, Humanities and Social Sciences consists of Civics and
Students develop their understanding and application of skills,
communicating and reflecting. They apply these skills to their c
developments, issues and phenomena, both historical and cont

Students continue to build on their understanding of civics and
and responsibilities, and participation. They explore the purpos
community life. The notions of belonging and personal identity
in society and cultural diversity.

The concepts of place, space, environment, interconnection and
Students have the opportunity to inquire into how the environm
that people have differing views on how sustainability can be a
world is extended through a study of the location and character

Students are given the opportunity to develop their historical u
and change, cause and effect, perspectives, empathy and signi
exploring the history of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peo
exploration and colonisation up to the early 1800s. They explor
experiences contributed to cultural diversity.

Economics and Business does not commence until Year 5. The
students to engage in economics and business concepts, such :

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