

# Year 1 Syllabus

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## Communicating

### SOCIALISING

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Interact with the teacher and peers, using simple modelled language and gestures to share information about themselves, their age and where they live and to talk about their favourite things, for example, *Io ho sei anni; Io ho gli occhi verdi e i capelli rossi; Sono italiano, e tu? Sono australiana; Da dove vieni? Vengo da Torino; Abito a Subiaco; Hai una matita? Sì, ho una matita; Ti piace il gelato? Sì, molto; Preferisco la pizza; Gioco a football*  
[\(ACLITC001\)](#)

 Literacy

 Numeracy

 Information and Communication

## Understanding

### SYSTEMS OF LANGUAGE

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Recognise and reproduce the sounds and intonation patterns of the Italian language noticing similarities and differences with English

Pronounce the Italian alphabet - in particular the vowel sounds a, e, i, o, u, the rolled r, the c as in ciao and the ch as in chi

[\(ACLITU013\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

Notice and use context-related vocabulary and some first elements of grammar to generate language for a range of purposes, including:

Technology (ICT) capability

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability


 Intercultural understanding

Participate in guided group activities, using simple repetitive language in songs, rhymes, games such as tombola, songs such as canzone alfabeto italiano, gestures and pictures to support understanding and to convey meaning

[\(ACLITC002\)](#)

 Literacy

 Numeracy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding




Respond to teacher talk and instruction, for example, In cerchio!; Insieme; Qui; Attenzione!; Non parlare/ parlate!; Silenzio!; Alza/Alzate la mano!

[\(ACLITC003\)](#)

 Literacy

 Numeracy

- noticing definite and indefinite articles with nouns, for example, la matita, il libro, il quaderno; una maestra, uno studente; i ragazzi, le ragazze
- noticing that Italian words end mostly with vowels to mark gender and number, for example, fratello, sorella, libro, libri
- observing that some words which do not end with a vowel are the same in English, for example, computer, robot, yogurt, sport
- identifying people using pronouns, for example, io, tu
- noticing the use of formulaic structures with ho and sono when giving personal information about state or identity, for example, Ho due fratelli; Sono basso; Ho sei anni; Ho gli occhi verdi; Sono alto
- understanding and responding

-  Critical and creative thinking
-  Personal and social capability
-  Intercultural understanding

## INFORMING

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Locate key words and information in simple spoken and written texts such as charts, lists, labels and captions, rhymes and songs related to their personal worlds

[\(ACLITC005\)](#)

 Literacy

 Information and Communication

Technology (ICT) capability

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

Convey factual information about their personal worlds using pictures, labels, captions, familiar words and simple statements

[\(ACLITC006\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

to imperatives, for example,

Vieni qui!; Fate attenzione!

- learning the structure of simple statements and questions based on models, for example, lo ho sei anni; lo abito a Subiaco; È Marco? No, è Stefano
- developing number knowledge for numbers

0–31

[\(ACLITU014\)](#)

 Literacy

 Numeracy

 Critical and creative thinking

Understand that language is organised as ‘text’ and different types of texts have different features

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 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

## LANGUAGE VARIATION AND CHANGE

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Recognise that Italian speakers use language differently in different

## CREATING

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Participate in listening to and viewing a range of short, imaginative texts and responding through action, dance, singing, drawing and collaborative retelling

[\(ACLITC007\)](#)

 Literacy

 Information and Communication

Technology (ICT) capability

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

Participate in the shared performance of songs, rhymes, stories and the presentation of action stories using verbal and non-verbal forms of expression and modelled language

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 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

## TRANSLATING

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situations such as when socialising with peers and friends or at home with the family, for example, Un bacio, papà!;Ti voglio bene, tesoro!  
[\(ACLITU016\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

## ROLE OF LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

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Recognise that Australia is a multilingual society with speakers of many different worlds and community languages, including Italian and that Italian and English borrow words and expressions from each other such as opera, pasta, spaghetti, computer  
[\(ACLITU017\)](#) [\(ACLITU018\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

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Share with others simple Italian expressions, sounds and gestures, name familiar objects and use Italian and/or English to conduct simple conversations

[\(ACLITC009\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

## REFLECTING

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Notice ways of talking in Italian that appear different to their own ways and become aware of how voice, behaviour and body language may change when speaking Italian

[\(ACLITC011\)](#)

 Literacy

 Critical and creative thinking

 Personal and social capability

 Intercultural understanding

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## Achievement standard

At standard, students interact in Italian through guided group activities,

classroom instructions and routines to share information about themselves, their age and where they live, and to talk about their favourite things. They use simple modelled language, gestures and other forms of expression with some guidance, to ask questions and make statements, such as *Da dove vieni?* and *Abito a Subiaco*. Students locate most key words and information in simple spoken and written texts and convey most factual information using verbal and non-verbal forms of expression. They respond to short spoken and visual imaginative texts and participate in the shared performance and presentation of short texts, using familiar verbal and non-verbal forms of expression and some modelled language. They share some familiar Italian words, greetings, questions and responses, sounds and gestures, and name some familiar objects. Students talk about some of the ways of talking in Italian that appear different from their own ways and how their voice and body language may change when speaking Italian.

Students recognise and reproduce the sounds and intonations patterns of spoken Italian including the alphabet, vowel sounds a, e, i, o, u, the rolled r, the c, as in *ciao* and the ch, as in *chi*, with a satisfactory level of accuracy. They use some first elements of grammar with a satisfactory level of accuracy to convey factual information and to write simple texts, such as lists, labels and captions. Students recognise subject pronouns used to identify people and use formulaic structures with *ho* and *sono*, such as *Io ho gli occhi verdi* and *Sono alto*. They structure simple statements and questions based on models, such as *È Marco?* and *Io ho sei anni*. Students identify some of the grammatical markers for gender and number, such as nouns ending mostly in vowels and the use of different definite and indefinite articles. Students develop knowledge of numbers 0–31 and respond to simple imperative verb forms, such as *Vieni qui!* They make some observations about how language is organised as ‘text.’ They recognise that speakers of Italian use language differently in different situations, that Italian is one of the many languages spoken in Australia, and that some Italian words are used when we speak English and vice versa.

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