



THE GAP STATE SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

YEAR 4

Term 2 2025



Science

Specialist Teacher

Forces

In this unit students will use games to investigate and demonstrate the direction of forces and the effect of contact and non-contact forces on objects. They will use their knowledge of forces to make predictions about games and complete games safely to collect data. Students will use tables and column graphs to organise data and identify patterns so that findings can be communicated. They will identify how science knowledge of forces helps people understand the effects of their actions.

English

Historical Recounts

In this unit, students will fluently and accurately read a variety of texts for enjoyment with sequences of events and unusual happenings, and support or extend students as independent readers.

Students will read informative texts and historical recounts including First Nation texts and discuss texts to describe characteristic features of different text structures and describe how language features and visual features shape meaning.

Students will use these texts as models to create a written historical recount using paragraphs to link ideas, clearly formed letters and accurate spelling. They will present the historical recount to a familiar audience.

Spelling

- Australian Curriculum Version 9: English
- Spelling Mastery

Handwriting

- Australian Curriculum Version 9: English
- QLD Cursive handwriting

Mathematics

In this unit, students will develop their understandings of:

Number and Place Value - make connections between representations of numbers; partition and combine numbers flexibly; recall multiplication facts; formulate, model and record authentic situations involving operations; compare large numbers; derive strategies for unfamiliar multiplication and division tasks; choose rounding and estimation strategies to determine whether results of calculations are reasonable; multiply numbers by multiples of 10; use proficiency with addition, subtraction, multiplication and division by choosing efficient strategies; count and represent fractions on a number line.

Measurement (Time) – convert between units of time when solving problems involving time duration

Humanities & Social Sciences

History: Australia before, during and after European settlement

In this unit, students will:

- draw conclusions about how the identities and sense of belonging for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the past and present were and continue to be affected by British colonisation and the enactment of *terra nullius*.
- analyse the experiences of contact between Australia's First Peoples and others, and the effects these interactions had on people and the environment
- make connections between world history events between the 1400s and the 1800s, and the history of Australia, including the reasons for the colonisation of Australia
- investigate the experiences of European explorers, convicts, settlers and Australia's First Peoples, and the impact colonisation had on the lives of different groups of people
- examine the purpose of laws and distinguish between rules and laws
- explore the diversity of different groups in their local community
- consider how personal identity is shaped by aspects of culture, and by the groups to which they belong.

Social Skills Program

You Can Do It

- Organisation
- Confidence
- Persistence
- Resilience
- Getting Along

The Arts: Music

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In this unit students will, sing, play, move and create. They will develop their understanding of rhythmic and melodic concepts including the pentatonic scale and many rhythms in simple metre. They will begin to use compound metre. Students will use the recorder to apply their knowledge and understanding.

Technologies:

Design and Technologies:

In this unit, students will plan, design and construct an arcade game that investigates how different forces impact components of the game.

Physical Education

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Students will continue to develop the fundamental movement skills needed to participate in track and field events.