

St Margaret's Primary School Core Plus Cluster Program Overview

Year Level	Literacy Program Overview	Numeracy Program Overview	Subject Specialist Overview
Years P – 2 Cluster	Students are clustered across year levels with teaching focused on developing knowledge and understanding of phonics, spelling, vocabulary, sentence structure, grammar and punctuation.	Mathematics lessons are taught in core class groups	Art, Music, Library, HPE and Modern Languages are taught by subject specialist teachers.Years 1 and 2 teachers specialise in either teaching Science or Humanities (History and Geography) to both year levels.
Years P – 2 Core	Students work with their year level class teacher focusing on developing knowledge and understanding of reading, writing, and listening and speaking	Students work with their class teachers on Mathematics. This differentiated program meets the needs of all students.	Core class teachers teach English, Mathematics, RVE (Religious and Values Education) and Pastoral Care Programs.
Years 3 – 4 Cluster	Students are clustered across year levels with teaching focused on developing knowledge and understanding of: spelling; language conventions (grammar, punctuation, vocabulary); and sentence structure and writing.	Students work in year level clusters which provide targeted, differentiated instruction based on student needs. The same curriculum is taught, with differentiation based on the pace of lessons and differentiation through problem solving and logical reasoning. A direct instruction, intervention program provides differentiated instruction based on developing conceptual understanding in numeracy.	Art, Music, Library, HPE and Modern Languages are taught by subject specialist teachers. Years 3 and 4 teachers specialise in either teaching Science or Humanities (History, Geography, and Civics and Citizenship) to both classes on each year level.
Years 3 – 4 Core	Students work with their year level class teacher focusing on developing knowledge and understanding of reading, writing, and listening and speaking	Mathematics lessons are taught in cluster groups	Core class teachers teach English, RVE (Religious and Values Education) and Pastoral Care programs.
Years 5 – 6 Cluster	Students are clustered across year levels with teaching focused on developing knowledge and understanding of: spelling; language conventions (grammar, punctuation, vocabulary); and sentence structure and writing.	Students work in year level clusters which provide targeted, differentiated instruction based on student needs. The same curriculum is taught, with differentiation based on the pace of lessons and differentiation through problem solving and logical reasoning. An across year level cluster direct instruction, intervention program provides differentiated instruction based on developing conceptual understanding in numeracy.	 Art, Music, Library, HPE and Modern Languages are taught by subject specialist teachers. Years 5 – 6 teachers specialise in one of the following: Humanities (History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship, Business and Economics) Science RVE (Religious and Values Education) and Pastoral Care.
Years 5 – 6 Core	Students work with their year level class teacher focusing on developing knowledge and understanding of reading, writing, and listening and speaking	Mathematics lessons are taught in cluster groups	Core class teachers teach English and one of the following: Humanities; Science; RVE and Pastoral Care.