



Year 8 Unit Outlines Semester 2

ARTS

Dance 13 Week Rotation

MYP Assessment Criteria

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- Criterion B: Developing Skills. Students demonstrate the acquisition and development of the skills and techniques of the art form studied. Students demonstrate the application of skills and techniques to create, perform and/or present art.
- Criterion C: Thinking creatively. Students develop a feasible, clear, imaginative and coherent artistic intention and present a range and depth of creative-thinking behaviours. Students demonstrate the exploration of ideas to shape artistic intention through to a point of realisation.
- Criterion D: Responding. Students construct meaning and transfer learning to new settings and create an artistic response that intends to reflect or impact on the world around them. Students critique the artwork of self and others.

Units of Inquiry	
Elements of composition Statement of Inquiry: Students work together to best create and perform high quality dance works using reflective practice.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Reflective process journal	Ongoing
Creative Practical Task	Week 10
Choreographic Performance	Week 13

Drama 13 Week Rotation

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Units of Inquiry	
Devising and Analysing Original Works Statement of Inquiry: Form guides the creative process and structure of a work, which shapes presentation and audience impact.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Process Journal	Ongoing
Performance Task 1 – Group and Improvised	Week 5
Performance Task 2 – Monologue	Week 8
Research Assignment	Week 11
Performance Task 3 – Script	Week 13

Media Arts 13 Week Rotation

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Units of Inquiry	
Logo Design; Mobile Photography; Stop-motion Statements of Inquiry: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A company’s identity should be clear to the audience from its’ logo • Aesthetics plays a role in effectively communicating a narrative in photography • Gradual change plays an important role when composing stop motion 	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Process Journal	Ongoing
Logo Design	Week 5
Mobile Photography	Week 10
Stop-motion	Week 13

Music 13 Week Rotation

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Units of Inquiry	
The Elements of Music; Persuasive Writing; Pachelbel's Canon – keyboard skills; Film Music Statements of Inquiry: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communication is vital in presenting an interpretation to an audience.• A musician's culture and identity can be expressed when they compose and/or present music.• Representation of genre needs to be considered when creating film music.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Process Journal	Ongoing
The Elements of Music	Week 4
Persuasive Writing	Week 7
Pachelbel's Canon	Week 10
Film Music	Week 13

Visual Arts 13 Week Rotation

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Units of Inquiry	
Visual Arts Statement of Inquiry: The arts play an important role in developing and expressing personal and cultural identities.	
Statement of Inquiry: Art making occurs in a variety of situations and provides opportunities for personal exploration, expression and communication of ideas and challenges.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Process journal	Ongoing
Drawing Task	Week 5
Ceramic Design Task	Week 8
Art Appreciation Study	Week 10
Media Arts Design Task	Week 12

DESIGN

Digital Technology 13 Week Rotation

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- Criterion B: Developing an Idea - Students analyses a group of similar products that inspire a solution to the problem. Students presents the chosen design and outlines the reasons for its selection with reference to the design specification. Students develops accurat
- Criterion C: Creating a Solution - Students demonstrate excellent technical skills when making the solution. Students follows the plan to create the solution, which functions as intended and is presented appropriately. Students explain changes made to the chosen design
- Criterion D: Evaluating - Students describe detailed and relevant testing methods, which generate accurate data, to measure the success of the solution. Students describe how the solution could be improved.

Units of Inquiry	
Understanding Digital Systems and Data (2 weeks) Statement of Inquiry: Designers adapt the form in which information is communicated in order to make it accessible to the end-user.	
Game and Web Design (8 weeks) Statement of Inquiry: Designers can use technology to convey a message of importance to the community.	
Crack the Code (3 weeks) Statement of Inquiry: Designers can use code to add functionality and complexity to their products.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Research Task	Week 6
Design & Practical Task	Week 12
E-Portfolio	Week 12

Introduction to Food Technology 13 Week Rotation

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- Criterion B: Developing ideas – Students present a range of feasible design ideas, which can be correctly interpreted by others. Students present the chosen design and outlines the reasons for its selection with reference to the design specification. Students develop accurate planning drawings/diagrams and outlines requirements for the creation of the chosen solution.
- Criterion C: Creating a Solution - Students demonstrate excellent technical skills when making the solution. Students follow the plan to create the solution, which functions as intended and is presented appropriately. Students explain changes made to the chosen design and the plan when making the solution. Students present the solution as a whole.
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Units of Inquiry	
Introduction to Sensory Design - Crumble Statement of Inquiry: Design is an intentional and rigorous plan for improvement.	
Criteria for Sensory Design - Pizza Statement of Inquiry: Specific criteria enables more effective design.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Practical Lessons	Weeks 4, 6, 9, 13, 16.
Crumble Design Task:	Week 9
Design Task - Pizza	Week 16
Demonstration Grids	Week 17

Introduction to Product Design 13 Week Rotation

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Units of Inquiry	
Product Designs and Specifications Statement of Inquiry: When designing and developing products, the creator must evaluate its function and form with consideration to sustainability and global markets.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Process Journal	Ongoing
Design Task 1	Week 4
Design Task 2	Week 8
Design Task 3	Week 13

INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETIES

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Students are assessed against four equally weighted assessment criteria. Each criterion has eight possible achievement levels (1–8), divided into four bands with unique descriptors that teachers use to make judgments about students' work.

- Criterion A: Knowing and understanding - Students use a range of terminology in context. Students demonstrate knowledge and understanding of subject-specific content and concepts, through descriptions, explanations and examples.
- Criterion B: Investigating - Students formulate/choose a clear and focused research question, explaining its relevance. Students formulate and follow an action plan to investigate a research question. Students use methods to collect and record relevant information. Students evaluate the process and results of the investigation, with guidance.
- Criterion C: Communicating - Students communicate information and ideas in a way that is appropriate for the audience and purpose. Students structure information and ideas according to the task instructions. Students create a reference list and cite sources of information.
- Criterion D: Thinking critically - Students analyse concepts, issues, models, visual representation and/or theories. Students summarize information to make valid, well-supported arguments. Students analyse a range of sources/data in terms of origin and purpose, recognizing value and limitations. Students recognize different perspectives and explain their implications.

Units of Inquiry	
Geology Rocks! Interdisciplinary unit with Science Statement of Inquiry: Landscapes change over time and are a source of valuable resources.	
Changing Nations Statement of Inquiry: Settlements change and develop due to a variety of processes.	
Business and Civics The market shapes society and government functions.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Ngunnawal Country Case Study	Week 5
Settlements Inquiry	Week 12
Written Solution Proposal and Presentation	Week 36-38

LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

French

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- Criterion B: Comprehending written and visual text - Students identify basic facts, messages, main ideas and supporting details, and draw conclusions. Students recognize basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing. Students engage with the written and visual text by identifying ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal response to the text.
- Criterion C: Communicating in response to spoken and/or written and/or visual text - Students respond appropriately to simple short phrases. Students interact in basic structured exchanges. Students use phrases to communicate ideas, feelings and information in familiar situations. Students communicate with a sense of audience.
- Criterion D: Using language in spoken and/or written form - Students write and/or speak using a basic range of vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions; when speaking, use clear pronunciation and intonation. Students organize information and use a range of basic cohesive devices. Students use language to suit the context.

Units of Inquiry	
World Expo Statement of Inquiry: The message to an audience influences intercultural understanding.	
Shopping Statement of Inquiry: Learning a language involves thinking creatively in order to understand context and convey meaning.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
World Expo - Listening Task	Week 5
World Expo Speaking Task	Week 9
Shopping Reading Task	Week 15
Writing Task	Week 16

Indonesian

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Units of Inquiry	
Pameran Dunia- World Expo Statement of Inquiry: The message to an audience influences intercultural understanding.	
Ayo berbelanja!- Let's go shopping! Statement of Inquiry: Using accurate structure and conventions allows us to communicate effectively.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Listening test	Week 5
Speaking test	Week 7
Reading test	Week 15
Writing test	Week 16

Japanese

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Units of Inquiry	
World Expo Statement of Inquiry: The message to an audience influences intercultural understanding.	
Mascot Statement of Inquiry: Our creations can provide a message for particular contexts.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Writing Task	Week 8
Interview Task	Week 9
Listening Test	Week 13
Reading Test	Week 13

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

MYP Assessment Criteria

Students are assessed against four equally weighted assessment criteria. Each criterion has eight possible achievement levels (1–8), divided into four bands with unique descriptors that teachers use to make judgments about students' work.

- Criterion A: Analysing - Students identify and explain the content, context, language, structure, technique and style of text(s) and the relationship among texts. Students identify and explain the effects of the creator's choices on an audience. Students justify opinions and ideas, using examples, explanations and terminology. Students interpret similarities and differences in features within and between genres and texts.
- Criterion B: Organizing - Students employ organizational structures that serve the context and intention. Students organize opinions and ideas in a coherent and logical manner. Students use referencing and formatting tools to create a presentation style suitable to the context and intention.
- Criterion C: Producing text - Students produce texts that demonstrate thought, imagination and sensitivity, while exploring and considering new perspectives and ideas arising from personal engagement with the creative process. Students make stylistic choices in terms of linguistic, literary and visual devices, demonstrating awareness of impact on an audience. Students select relevant details and examples to develop ideas.
- Criterion D: Using language - Students use appropriate and varied vocabulary, sentence structures and forms of expression. Students write and speak in an appropriate register and style. Students use correct grammar, syntax and punctuation. Students spell (alphabetic languages), write (character languages) and pronounce with accuracy. Students use appropriate non-verbal communication techniques.

Units of Inquiry	
Poetry Analysis Statement of Inquiry: Poets make deliberate structural and stylistic choices to convey purpose and meaning to evoke a personal response from the reader.	
Persuasion in Media Statement of Inquiry: The Media use persuasive techniques to influence a target audience.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Analytical essay	Week 5
Creative Response	Week 9
Oral Presentation	Week 15

MATHEMATICS

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Students are assessed against four equally weighted assessment criteria. Each criterion has eight possible achievement levels (1–8), divided into four bands with unique descriptors that teachers use to make judgments about students’ work.

- Criterion A: Knowing and understanding – Students select appropriate mathematics when solving problems in both familiar and unfamiliar situations. Students apply the selected mathematics successfully when solving problems. Students solve problems correctly in a variety of contexts.
- Criterion B: Investigating patterns – Students select and apply mathematical problem-solving techniques to discover complex patterns. Students describe patterns as relationships and/or general rules consistent with findings. Students verify and justify relationships and/or general rules.
- Criterion C: Communicating – Students use appropriate mathematical language (notation, symbols and terminology) in both oral and written explanations. Students use appropriate forms of mathematical representation to present information. Students move between different forms of mathematical representation. Students communicate complete and coherent mathematical lines of reasoning. Students organize information using a logical structure.
- Criterion D: Applying mathematics in real-life contexts – Students identify relevant elements of authentic real-life situations. Students select appropriate mathematical strategies when solving authentic real-life situations. Students apply the selected mathematical strategies successfully to reach a solution. Students explain the degree of accuracy of a solution. Students explain whether a solution makes sense in the context of the authentic real-life situation.

Units of Inquiry	
Algebra Statement of Inquiry: Students will understand how linear equations can be represented graphically through investigation of the Cartesian Plane.	
Rates and Ratio Statement of Inquiry: Students will understand that we can compare and model quantities through investigation into the use of rates and ratios.	
Linear Graphs Statement of Inquiry: Students will understand how linear equations can be represented graphically through investigation of the Cartesian Plane.	
Geometry Statement of Inquiry: Students will understand 2D shape through investigating congruence, transformations and tessellations.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Linear Algebra: Test	Week 5
Linear Graphs: Assignment	Week 8
Rates and Ratios: Assignment	Week 12
Geometry: Congruence – In-class Assessment	Week 15
Geometry: Transformation - Test	Week 17

PHYSICAL & HEALTH EDUCATION

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- Criterion A: Knowing and understanding – Students describe physical and health education factual, procedural and conceptual knowledge. Students apply physical and health education knowledge to explain issues and solve problems set in familiar and unfamiliar situations. Students apply physical and health terminology effectively to communicate understanding.
- Criterion B: Planning for performance - Students outline goals to enhance performance. Students design and explain a plan for improving physical performance and health.
- Criterion C: Applying and performing – Students demonstrate and apply a range of skills and techniques. Students demonstrate and apply a range of strategies and movement concepts. Students outline and apply information to perform effectively.
- Criterion D: Reflecting and improving performance – Students describe and demonstrate strategies to enhance interpersonal skills. Students explain the effectiveness of a plan based on the outcome. Students explain and evaluate performance.

Units of Inquiry	
Practical- Dance, Touch, Tennis, Badminton, AFL, Netball, Sofcrosse, Fitness Statements of Inquiry: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We develop communication skills through interacting in teams and adapt techniques, skills, strategies and tactics based on environmental influences. • We can begin to develop our sense of identity through positive relationships and effective interactions with others. 	
Health - First Aid Statement of Inquiry: Communicating appropriate first aid management techniques is essential to respond to environmental factors.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Formative assessment tasks- ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	Ongoing
Dance	Week 2
First Aid- Practical and theory tests	Week 6
Touch/AFL	Ongoing
Netball	Ongoing
Sofcrosse	Ongoing
Tennis/Badminton	Ongoing
Fitness	Ongoing

SCIENCES

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Students are assessed against four equally weighted assessment criteria. Each criterion has eight possible achievement levels (1–8), divided into four bands with unique descriptors that teachers use to make judgments about students' work.

- Criterion A: Knowing and understanding - Students describe scientific knowledge. Students apply scientific knowledge and understanding to solve problems set in familiar and unfamiliar situations. Students analyse information to make scientifically supported judgments.
- Criterion B: Inquiring and designing - Students describe a problem or question to be tested by a scientific investigation. Students outline a testable hypothesis and explain it using scientific reasoning. Students describe how to manipulate the variables, and describe how data will be collected. Students design scientific investigations.
- Criterion C: Processing and evaluating - Students present collected and transformed data. Students interpret data and describe results using scientific reasoning. Students discuss the validity of a hypothesis based on the outcome of the scientific investigation. Students discuss the validity of the method. Students describe improvements or extensions to the method.
- Criterion D: Reflecting on the impacts of science - Students describe the ways in which science is applied and used to address a specific problem or issue. Students discuss and analyse the various implications of using science and its application in solving a specific problem or issue. Students apply scientific language effectively. Students document the work of others and sources of information used.

Units of Inquiry	
Rocks and minerals Statement of Inquiry: Students will understand that landscapes change over time and are a source of valuable resources through inquiry into the processes of rock formation and timescales involved.	
Chemical & Physical Change Statement of Inquiry: Students will understand that the properties of matter are related to the arrangement of atoms through inquiry into chemical and physical change.	
Assessment Task	Due Date
Formative assessment - Ongoing class tasks and class participation, including peer and individual teacher feedback on progress.	
Minerals and the rock cycle Test	Week 5
Mining minerals assignment	Week 10
Life cycle of plastics	Week 15
Atoms elements and compounds test	Week 16