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Kingsgrove North High School strives to produce resilient, informed 21st century learners in a safe, supportive and engaging educational environment.

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General Information

1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this booklet is to outline the assessment policy of Kingsgrove North High School for Year 8. This document is developed to help students plan and prepare for assessments. Please read it carefully and ask your teachers if you have any concerns.

The Kingsgrove North High School Assessment Policy is designed to standardise procedures between subject areas and to give students and teachers a clear statement of their rights and responsibilities.

It is the responsibility of the school to communicate the assessment requirements to the students.

It is the responsibility of the students to meet the requirements and to make every effort to resolve problems and/or disputes.

What is Assessment?

Assessment is the process of gathering information and making judgements about student achievement for a variety of purposes. In the Stage 4 course those purposes include:

- assisting student learning
- evaluating and improving teaching and learning programs
- providing evidence of satisfactory achievement and completion of a course
- providing information on student learning and progress in a course in relation to the syllabus outcomes
- report on the achievement by each student at the end of a course

School Assessment Policy

2. INTRODUCTION

Rationale

Kingsgrove North High School ensures that all assessment tasks undertaken in years 7, 8 and 9 meet the school and the **New South Wales Educational Standards (NESA)** requirements.

Aim:

- Every student will be made fully aware of NESA, School and KLA requirements for all formal assessment tasks
- Consistent practices will be embedded across the school when formally assessing students.

Procedures

- All students will receive an assessment booklet each year that outlines when all tasks are due for all subjects studied
- Students will receive a formal 'Notification of Assessment Task' at least 2 weeks prior to the submission date
- Students are expected to submit tasks by 8:50am on the due date with the Assessment Cover Sheet attached to the front of the task, unless otherwise specified on the task
- Upon submission of a task, a student must sign a register, which is to be retained as proof of submission
- All students are expected to submit or sit for all assessment tasks by the due date
- An assessment task not submitted on time will be marked on a sliding scale:
 - 1st day late: minus 10%2nd day late: minus 20%
 - 3rd day late: minus 30%; then 0 after three days (weekends count as one day).
- Acceptable reasons for the late submission or absence from an assessment task include illness, accident or other unforeseen circumstances. In each case the incident must be supported by appropriate documentation such as a doctor's certificate. Technological issues, family holidays and other non-emergencies are not justifiable reasons for not completing an assessment task by the due date. The Head Teacher of the KLA will determine if the reason is acceptable.
- All junior assessment tasks will be marked using both a sliding number score as well as the
 correlating grade for the outcomes covered in each task (i.e. students will be awarded a mark and a
 grade).
- If a student requires an extension for an assessment task, the application for an extension must be in writing and submitted to the Head Teacher at least **one week** before the due date of the assessment.
- When a student fails to complete an assessment task due to a valid reason then the student will be given an amended due date for that task. In some instances, an alternate task may be provided.

- Students who are deemed to make a **non-serious attempt** at any assessment task will be awarded **zero**. This includes only completing one section of the examination or not making a genuine attempt to complete all sections of an assessment task.
- If a student fails to complete an assessment task then contact will be made with the parent/guardian
 indicating that the syllabus outcomes have not been achieved and the task has been awarded a zero
 mark.
- Work submitted in an assessment task must be only that of the student. If a student uses the work of
 another person or directly copies from published texts or an internet site to complete a task they will
 receive a zero mark and the task will need to be re-submitted. If the work used was that of another
 student from this school, who knowingly supplied the information, then that student may also receive
 a zero mark.
- For all in-class tests, mobile phones must be switched off and out of sight. If students are caught
 talking or communicating with others during an exam then their test paper will be removed and a mark
 of zero may be issued, along with a letter sent home to the parents.
- If students have concerns regarding the assessment procedures followed for an assessment task
 then they have the right to appeal the process in writing via the form which can be found on the school
 website: https://kingsgrovn-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doe/sws/schools/k/kingsgrovn-h/downloads/2023/Assessment_Appeal_Application_Form.pdf.
- All assessment tasks should be marked, and written feedback provided to the students within 3 weeks
 of the submission date.

COURSE INFORMATION

Stage 4 Year 8 - English 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1, Week 10 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Week 10 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 8 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 4 2023	TASK 5 Term 4, Week 9 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Critical Response	Poetry Exam	Persuasive Speech	Creative Writing Portfolio	Picture Book
Outcomes		EN4-1A, EN4-7D, EN4-4B	EN4-6C, EN4-8D, EN4-3B	EN4-3B, EN4-1A	EN4-2A, EN4-4B, EN4-9E	EN4-5C, EN4-6C, EN4-2A
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	25%	25%	Class task

EN4-1A	A student responds to and composes texts for understanding, interpretation, critical analysis, imaginative expression and pleasure	EN4-5C	A student thinks imaginatively, creatively, interpretively and critically about information, ideas and arguments to respond to and compose
EN4-2A	A student effectively uses a widening range of processes, skills, strategies and		texts
	knowledge for responding to and composing texts in different media and	EN4-6C	A student identifies and explains connections between texts
	technologies	EN4-7D	A student demonstrates understanding of how texts can express
EN4-3B	A student uses and describes language forms, features and structures of texts		aspects of their broadening world and their relationships within it
	appropriate to a range of purposes, audiences and contexts	EN4-8D	A student identifies, considers and appreciates cultural expression
EN4-4B	A student makes effective language choices to creatively shape meaning with		in texts
	accuracy, clarity and coherence	EN4-9E	A student uses, reflects on and assesses their individual and
			collaborative skills for learning

Stage 4 Year 8 - Mathematics 2023

J	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1, Week 7 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Week 8 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 7 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 3 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Research Assignment Financial Mathematics	Topics Tests Data, Rates and Ratios	Open Book Topics Test Algebra, Equations, Linear, Pythagoras	Yearly Exam All Topics
Concepts and Skills	50%	10%	10%	10%	20%
Working Mathematically	50%	10%	15%	15%	10%
MA4-5NA MA4-6NA Outcomes MA4-1WM MA4-2WM MA4-3WM		MA4-7NA, MA4-19SP MA4-20SP MA4-1WM MA4-2WM MA4-3WM	MA4-8NA, MA4-10NA MA4-11NA, MA4-16MG MA4-1WM MA4-2WM MA4-3WM	MA4-5NA, MA4-6NA MA4-7NA, MA4-8NA MA4-10NA, MA4-11NA MA4-19SP, MA4-20SP MA4-12MG, MA4-13MG, MA4-14MG, MA4-16MG MA4-1WM, MA4-2WM, MA4-3WM	
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	25%	30%

MA4-5NA	Fractions, Decimals and Percentages	MA4-12MG	Length	MA4-19SP	Data Collection
MA4-6NA	Financial Mathematics	MA4-13MG	Area & Circles	MA4-19SP	Data Representation
MA4-7NA	Ratio and Rates	MA4-14MG	Volume	MA4-20SP	Single Variable Data Analysis
MA4-8NA	Algebraic Techniques 1	MA4-16MG	Pythagoras		
MA4-8NA	Algebraic Techniques 2	MA4-17MG	Properties of Geometrical Figures	Working Ma	thematically is across all topics
MA4-10NA	Equations	MA4-18MG	Angle Relationships	MA4-1WM	Communicating
MA4-11NA	Linear Relationships			MA4-2WM	Problem Solving
				MA4-3WM	Reasoning

Stage 4 Year 8 - Personal Development Health & Physical Education (PDHPE) 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1, Week 8 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Weeks 1-10, 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 6 2023	TASK 4 Term 3, Week 8 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Topic Test	Practical Assessment- Ongoing in class Striking and Fielding Games	Analysis and Report	Practical Assessment Gymnastics Composition Task
Knowledge and understanding of content	50%	25%		25%	
Skills	50%		25%		25%
Outcomes		PD4-6, PD4-7	PD4-2, PD4-3, PD 4-10	PD4-4, PD4-5, PD 4-8, PD 4-10, 4-11	PD4-1, PD 4-2, PD 4-6, PD4-7
TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	25%	25%

PD4-1	Examines and evaluates strategies to manage current and future challenges	PD4-7	Investigates health practices, behaviours and resources to promote health,
PD4-2	Examines and demonstrates the role help-seeking strategies and behaviours play in		safety, wellbeing and physically active communities
	supporting themselves and others	PD4-8	Plans for and participates in activities that encourage health and a lifetime of
PD4-3	Investigates effective strategies to promote inclusivity, equality and respectful		physical activity
	relationships	PD4-9	Demonstrates self-management skills to effectively manage complex
PD4-4	Refines, applies and transfers movement skills in a variety of dynamic physical activity		situations
	contexts	PD4-10	Applies and refines interpersonal skills to assist themselves and others to
PD4-5	Transfers and adapts solutions to complex movement challenges		interact respectfully and promote inclusion in a variety of groups or contexts
PD4-6	Recognises how contextual factors influence attitudes and behaviours and proposes	PD4-11	Demonstrates how movement skills and concepts can be adapted and
	strategies to enhance health, safety, wellbeing and participation in physical activity		transferred to enhance and perform movement sequences
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Stage 4 Year 8 – Music 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1, Week 10 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Week 5 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 8 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 4 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	An instrument and its Repertoire: Guitar	Rock Music	Music Technology	Music for TV/Film/Multimedia
Listening/Musicology	35%	10%	10%		15%
Performance	45%	20%	10%		15%
Composition	20%			20%	
Outcomes		4.2, 4.3, 4.7, 4.8, 4.10, 4.11	4.2, 4.3, 4.7, 4.8, 4.10	4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.11	4.1, 4.2, 4.7, 4.8, 4.9
TOTAL	100%	30%	20%	20%	30%

OUTCOMES

Performing:

- 4.1 Performs in a range of musical styles demonstrating an understanding of musical concepts
- 4.2 Performs music using different forms of notation and different types of technology across a broad range of musical styles
- 4.3 Performs music demonstrating solo and/or ensemble awareness Composing:
- 4.4 Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through exploring, experimenting, improvising, organising, arranging and composing
- 4.5 Notates compositions using traditional and/or non-traditional notation
- 4.6 Experiments with different forms of technology in the composition process

Listening:

- 4.7 Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through listening, observing, responding, discriminating, analysing, discussing and recording musical ideas
- 4.8 Demonstrates an understanding of musical concepts through aural identification and discussion of the features of a range of repertoire
- 4.9 Demonstrates musical literacy through the use of notation, terminology, and the reading and interpreting of scores used in the music selected for study
- 4.10 Identifies the use of technology in the music selected for study, appropriate to the musical context

Value and Appreciation

- 4.11 Demonstrates an appreciation, tolerance and respect for the aesthetic value of music as an art form
- 4.12 Demonstrates a developing confidence and willingness to engage in performing, composing and listening experiences

Stage 4 Year 8 - Visual Arts 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term1, Week 8 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Week 5 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 8 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 3 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Still Life Assignment	Practical Still Life art making tasks & VAD	Australian Stories Assignment	Australian Stories art making tasks & VAD
Art Making	70%	10%	25%	10%	25%
Art History and Art Criticism	30%	5%	10%	5%	10%
Outcomes		4.2, 4.6, 4.7, 4.9	4.1, 4.3, 4.4, 4.6, 4.8, 4.9, 4.10	4.2, 4.3, 4.6, 4.10	4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.6, 4.8, 4.9, 4.10
TOTAL	100%	15%	35%	15%	35%

OUTCOMES

4.1 Uses a range of strategies to explore different art making conventions and	
procedures to make artworks	

- 4.2 Explores the function of and relationships between artist –artwork world audience
- 4.3 Makes artworks that involve some understanding of the frames
- 4.4 Recognises and uses aspects of the world as a source of ideas, concepts and subject matter in the visual arts
- 4.5 Investigates ways to develop meaning in their artworks

4.6 Selects different materials and techniques to make artworks

4.7 Explores aspects of practice in critical and historical interpretations of art

4.8 Explores the function of and relationships between the artist –artwork – world – audience

4.9 Begins to acknowledge that art can be interpreted from different points of view

4.10 Recognises that art criticism and art history construct meanings

Stage 4 Year 8 – Languages 2023

	Syllabus Weighting TASK 1 Term 1, Week 8 2023		TASK 2 Term 2, Week 4 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 7 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 4 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Research Task	Research Task Half Yearly Exam		Yearly Exam
Concepts, Skills and Techniques	50 %	10 %	15 %	18 %	7 %
Reasoning and Communication	50 %	15 %	10 %	7 %	18 %
Outcomes		LMG4-4C, LMG4-9U, LCH4- 2C, LCH4-4C, LCH4-9U	LMG4-1C, LMG4-2C, LMG4-3C, LMG4-8U, LMG4-9U, LCH4-4C, LCH4-8U, LCH4-9U	LMG4-1C, LMG4-9U, LCH4-4C, LCH4-8U	LMG4-5U, LMG4-6U, LMG4-7U, LCH4-4C, LCH4-8U, LCH4-9U
TOTAL	100%	25 %	25%	25%	25%

OUTCOME	S -Modern Greek	Outcome	s- Chinese
LMG4-1C	Uses Modern Greek to exchange information, ideas and opinions, and make plans	LCH4-1C	A student uses Chinese to interact with others to exchange information, ideas and options, and makes plans
LMG4-2C	Identifies main ideas in, and obtains information from texts	LCH4-2C	A student identifies main ideas in, and obtains information from texts
LMG4-3C	Organises and responds to information and ideas in texts from different audiences	LCH4-3C	A student organises and responds to information and ideas in texts for different audiences
LMG4-4C	Applies a range of linguistic structures to compose texts in Modern Greek, using a range of formats for different audiences	LCH4-4C	A student applies a range of linguistic structures to compose texts in Chinese, using a range of formats for different audiences
LMG4-5U	Applies Modern Greek pronunciation and intonation patterns	LCH4-5U	A student applies Chinese pronunciation and intonation patterns
LMG4-6U	Demonstrates understanding of key aspects of Modern Greek writing conventions		LCH4-6U: a student demonstrates understanding of key aspects of Chinese writing conversations
LMG4-7U	Applies features of Modern Greek grammatical structures and sentence patterns to convey information and ideas	LCH4-7U	A student applies features of Chinese grammatical structures and sentence patterns to convey information and ideas
LMG4-8U	Identifies variations in linguistic and structural features of texts	LCH4-8U	A student identifies in linguistic and structural features of texts
LMG4-9U	Identifies that language use reflects cultural ideas and beliefs	LCH4-9U	A student identifies that language use reflects cultural ideas, values and beliefs

Stage 4 Year 8 - Technology Mandatory 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1, Week 9 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Week 7 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 9 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 7 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Practical Task	Design Folio/Theory Task	Practical Task	Design Folio/Theory Task
Design & production skills	60%	25%	5%	25%	5%
Knowledge & understanding 40% 5%		15%	5%	15%	
Outcomes		TE4-1DP, TE4-2DP, TE4-3DP, TE4-4DP, TE4-5AG, TE4-6FO, TE4-7DI, TE4-8EN, TE4-9MA, TE4-10TS	TE4-1DP, TE4-2DP, TE4-3DP, TE4-4DP, TE4-5AG, TE4-6FO, TE4-7DI, TE4-8EN, TE4-9MA, TE4-10TS	TE4-1DP, TE4-2DP, TE4-3DP, TE4-4DP, TE4-5AG, TE4-6FO, TE4-7DI, TE4-8EN, TE4-9MA, TE4-10TS	TE4-1DP, TE4-2DP, TE4-3DP, TE4-4DP, TE4-5AG, TE4-6FO, TE4-7DI, TE4-8EN, TE4-9MA,TE4-10TS
TOTAL 100% 30%		20%	30%	20%	

TE4-1DP Designs, communicates and evaluates innovative ideas and creative	TE4-6FO Explains how the characteristics and properties of food determine
solutions to authentic problems or opportunities	preparation techniques for healthy eating
TE4-2DP Plans and manages the production of designed solutions	TE4-7DI Explains how data is represented in digital systems and transmitted in
TE4-3DP Selects and safely applies a broad range of tools, materials and	networks
processes in the production of quality projects	TE4-8EN Explains how force, motion and energy are used in engineered systems
TE4-4DP Designs algorithms for digital solutions and implements them in a	TE4-9MA Investigates how the characteristics and properties of tools, materials and
general-purpose programming language	processes affect their use in designed solutions
TE4-5AG Investigates how food and fibre are produced in managed environments	TE4-10TS Explains how people in technology related professions contribute to
	society now and into the future

Year 8 History 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 2 Week 2, 2023	TASK 2 Term 3 Week 6, 2023	TASK 3 Term 4 Week 4, 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Source Based Task Medieval Europe	Research Task Japan under the Shoguns	Group Task Spanish Conquest of the Americas
Knowledge and understanding of content	25%	10%	10%	5%
Reasoning and Communication	25%	10%	5%	10%
Historical Inquiry and Research	20%		10%	10%
Communication of historical understanding in appropriate forms	30%	10%	10%	10%
Outcomes		HT4-3, HT4-5, HT4-6, HT4-9	HT4-2, HT4-4, HT4-7, HT4-9, HT4-10	HT4-3, HT4-7, HT4-8, HT4-9. HT4-10
TOTAL	100%	30%	35%	35%

HT4-1	A student describes the nature of history and archaeology and explains their contribution to an understanding of the past	HT4-6	A student uses evidence from sources to support historical narratives and explanations
HT4-2	A student describes major periods of historical time and sequences events, people and societies from the past.	HT4-7	A student identifies & describes different contexts, perspectives and interpretations of the past
HT4-3	A student describes and assesses the motives and actions of past individuals and groups in the context of past societies	HT4-8	A student locates, selects and organises information from sources to develop an historical inquiry
HT4-4	A student describes and explains the causes and effects of events and developments of past societies over time.	HT4-9	A student uses a range of historical terms and concepts when communicating an understanding of the past
HT4-5	A student identifies the meaning, purpose and context of historical sources	HT4-10	A student selects and uses appropriate oral, written, visual and digital forms to communicate about the past

Stage 4 Year 8 – Geography 2023

	Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1 Week 9, 2023	TASK 2 Term 2 Week 5, 2023	TASK 3 Term 3 Week 6, 2023	TASK 4 Term 3 Week 10, 2023	TASK 5 Term 4 Week 4, 2023
Assessment Component	Type of Task	Common Topic Test	Fieldwork	Interconnections Checkpoint 1	Interconnections Checkpoint 2	Interconnections Checkpoint 3
Develop knowledge and understanding	40%	10%	10%	10%	5%	5%
Acquire, process and communicate geographical information	40%	10%		5%	15%	10%
Apply geographical tools	20%		15%			5%
Outc	omes	GE4.2, GE4.3, GE4.7	GE4.1, GE4.2, GE4.8	GE4-2, GE4-8	GE4-3, GE4-5	GE4-3, GE4-5, GE4-7
TOTAL	100%	20%	25%	15%	20%	20%

GE4-1	Locates and describes the diverse features and characteristics of a range of places and environments	GE4-5	Discusses management of places and environments for their sustainability
GE4-2	Describes processes and influences that form and transform places and	GE4-6	Explains differences in human wellbeing
	environments	GE4-7	Acquires and processes geographical information by selecting and using
GE4-3	Explains how interactions and connections between people, places and		geographical tools for inquiry
	environments result in change	GE4-8	Communicates geographical information using a variety of strategies
GE4-4	Examines perspectives of people and organisations on a range of		
	geographical issues		

Stage 4 Year 8 – Science 2023

		Syllabus Weighting	TASK 1 Term 1, Week 10 2023	TASK 2 Term 2, Week 8 2023	TASK 3 Term 3, Week 10 2023	TASK 4 Term 4, Week 5 2023
	Assessment Component	Type of Task	Student Research Project	Models	Presentation	Yearly Exam
Kr	Values and Attitudes nowledge and Understanding Skills	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%
	Outcomes		4WS, 5WS, 6WS, 7WS, 8WS, 9WS	6WS, 8WS,9WS, 14LW	7WS, 8WS, 9WS,13ES	4WS, 7WS, 8WS, 9WS, 15LW, 16CW,17CW,
	TOTAL	100%	25%	25%	20%	30%

SC4-4WS	Identifies questions and problems that can be tested or researched and makes predictions based on scientific knowledge	SC4-13ES Explains how advances in scientific understanding of processes that occur within and on the Earth, influence the choices people make	
SC4-5WS	Collaboratively and individually produces a plan to investigate questions and problems	about resource use and management SC4-14LW Relates the structure and function of living things to their	
SC4-6WS	Follows a sequence of instructions to safely undertake a range of investigation types, collaboratively and individually	classification, survival and reproduction SC4-15LW Explains how new biological evidence changes people's	
SC4-7WS		Understanding of the world SC4-16CW Describes the observed properties and behaviour of matter, usin scientific models and	
SC4-8WS	Selects and uses appropriate strategies, understanding and skills to produce creative and plausible solutions to identified problems	SC4-17CW Theories about the motion and arrangement of particles	
SC4-9WS	C4-9WS Presents science ideas, findings and information to a given audience using appropriate scientific language, text types and representations	explains how scientific understanding of, and discoveries about the properties of elements, compounds and mixtures relate to their uses in everyday life	

Assessment Planner Year 8 2023

	Term 1		Term 2		
Week 1		Week 1			
Week 2		Week 2	PDHPE –	History – Medieval Europe	
Week 4		Week 4	Weeks 1 -10	Languages – Half Yearly Exam	
Week 5		Week 5	Practical Assessment: Ongoing in Class Striking & Fielding Games	Music – Rock Music Visual Arts – Practical Still Life Art Making Tasks & VAD Geography - Fieldwork	
Week 6		Week 6			
Week 7	Maths – Research: Financial Mathematics	Week 7		Tech Mandatory – Design Folio/Theory Task	
Week 8	PDHPE – Topic Test Visual Arts – Still Life Assessment Languages – Research Task	Week 8		Maths: Data, Rates and Ratios Science - Models	
Week 9	Tech Mandatory – Practical Task Geography – Common Topic Test	Week 9			
Week 10	English – Critical Response Music – Guitar Science – Student Research Project	Week 10		English – Poetry Exam	
Week 11					

Assessment Planner Year 8 2023

	Term 3	Term 4		
Week 3		Week 3	Maths – Yearly Exam Visual Arts – Australian Stories Art Making Tasks & VAD	
Week 4		Week 4	English – Creative Writing Portfolio Music – Music for TV/Film/Multimedia Languages – Yearly Exam History – Spanish Conquest of the Americas Geography – Interconnections Checkpoint 3 Science – Yearly Exam	
Week 5		Week 5	Cooling Training	
Week 6	PDHPE – Analysis and Report History – Japan under the Shoguns Geography – Interconnections Checkpoint 1	Week 6		
Week 7	Maths – Topic Test: Algebra, Equations, Linear, Pythagoras Languages – Research Task	Week 7	Tech Mandatory – Design Folio/Theory Task	
Week 8	English – Persuasive Speech PDHPE – Practical Assessment: Gymnastics Composition Task Music – Music Technology Visual Arts – Australian Stories Assignment	Week 8		
Week 9	Tech Mandatory – Practical Task	Week 9	English – Picture Book	
Week 10	Geography – Interconnections Checkpoint 2 Science - Presentation	Week 10		