## **Everton Primary School**



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## Curriculum Framework - Written statement/policy

The core purpose of Everton Primary School as defined in the Strategic Plan is to provide an inclusive, rigorous learning environment that challenges and engages young people to grow as passionate learners. The school seeks to develop motivated, creative and independent learners who demonstrate strong social values and whose leadership, resilience and self-esteem is evident when interacting with the community.

Our school provides a comprehensive curriculum with a strong focus on literacy and numeracy. In addition to the comprehensive classroom programs offered in literacy and numeracy, an integrated classroom curriculum program addresses the curriculum areas of Science, Humanities/History, Technologies/Design Technology, Civics and Citizenship, and Health. These curriculum areas are also cross referenced with the literacy program to ensure sufficient time is allocated to address the content. Specialist teachers provide instruction in Health (SAKG), Language (Italian), and Visual and Performing Arts. Interdisciplinary, personal and social learning are addressed within these curriculum areas and supported by a range of Outdoor Education camps and excursion initiatives with our Ovens Learning Cluster of schools. Everton Primary School is an active participant in district sport competitions as well as providing opportunities for students to participate in instrumental music, guitar, singing and drums programs.

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