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Latest News

Curriculum and Pedagogy



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WELCOME

Welcome to the May edition of the CAP News. This term, SCSA continues to navigate the adopt and adapt process of Version 9 of the Australian Curriculum within the P-10 Western Australia Curriculum Outline. Consultation sessions for Mathematics, Science, Technologies, and HASS have either occurred or are scheduled for this term (read more about this below). Additionally, the Pre-primary to Year 10: Teaching, Assessing, and Reporting policy will be reviewed in 2024. You can find a summary of these priorities and SCSA's other initiatives for 2024 [here](#).

Last month marked the inaugural meeting of AISWA's new Curriculum Reference Group. This group's purpose is to offer guidance on primary and secondary curriculum matters and collaborate with AISWA to enhance services and support. We eagerly anticipate working with this group to gather insights from member schools, and better understand their needs and challenges.

We're anticipating some engaging discussions at AISWA's new leaders conference next week. Perhaps we will see you there? In the meantime, please don't hesitate to get in touch!

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POLICY UPDATES

Changes to Pre-Primary to Year 10 Science and Technologies Curriculum

- Consultation survey is open for teachers on the SCSA website from **13 May to 31 May 2024** to provide feedback on the revised curriculum.
- Feedback may also be submitted directly to WACAO@scsa.wa.edu.au.
- The revised curriculum is aimed to be approved for familiarisation in 2025 and implementation in 2026.
- More information [here](#).

Australian Early Development Census

- Evidence tells us that a person's life successes, health and emotional wellbeing build their roots in early childhood experiences.
- AEDC is keeping an eye on how children are progressing to provide the best services and support families as children grow.
- Find out how the AEDC measures early childhood development [here](#).

Micro-credentials for Classroom Confidence

- The Australian Government has funded a series of FREE specialised online qualifications (micro credentials) suitable for all educators. The qualifications address the following topics:
 - Classroom Management
 - Explicit Teaching
 - Teaching Phonics
- Enrolments open on **20 May**, with the other Modules to follow later in the year.
- Click [here](#) for further information.

Copyright

- The National Copyright Unit offers:
 - Free and practical professional learning to help teachers navigate copyright while teaching
 - Regular newsletter detailing advice for schools including how to minimise risk of receiving infringement notices
- Read their latest news [here](#).

TEAM UPDATES

EARLY CHILDHOOD

LEADERSHIP *and* LEARNING

TARGETED PROGRAMS

The Early Childhood team offer support and mentoring to early childhood educators and leaders. Our focus this month is school based support via staff meeting presentations or working one on one with staff.

Click [HERE](#) for the latest news and updates, including:

- **AISWA Early Childhood Study Tours**
- **AEDC**
- **Teacher Relief**
- **PL Events**

Leadership and Learning provide support to implement the P-10 WA Curriculum and Assessment Outline and the WACE, and assist schools to build leadership capability.

Numeracy and Literacy provide support to enhance teaching and learning outcomes.

Click [HERE](#) for the latest news and updates, including:

- **HALT Certification Ceremony**
- **Timeline of the Review of the Western Australian Curriculum: Mathematics**
- **Upcoming PL Events**

Targeted programs provide support to engage in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) and interpret and apply school and student data, and implement Vocational Education and Training (VET) and Career Education programs.

Click [HERE](#) for the latest news and updates, including:

- **2024 AISWA VET Funding Applications**
- **Term 2 VET Coordinators Network Meeting**

OTHER NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge



- The Premier's Reading Challenge 2024 runs from **Monday, 6 May to Friday, 6 September 2024** and is open to all WA students from Kindergarten through Year 10.
- The challenge program is designed to encourage students' reading enjoyment.
- Each week, students who log their reading achievements go in the draw to win a prize.
- Find out more [here](#).

The Literature Centre



- The Literature Centre:
 - Provides quality student workshops and writing programs across Western Australia
 - Inspires teachers with professional learning opportunities
 - Supports Australia's talented Authors and Illustrators of literature for children and young adults
- Sessions in Albany are occurring in May.
- Click [here](#) to see other offerings.

Professional Learning Opportunities

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For further information on the Term 2 Professional Learning opportunities listed below (by category), please click the links provided in the table. For additional information and a full list of 2024 PL and Event opportunities, you can also search the [AISWA PL & Event Calendar](#).

Featured Professional Learning

Brightpath Writing and Maths

Have you had a go at using the Written Response to Literature Ruler which was launched in late 2023?

Upcoming Brightpath sessions include:

- May 15 – Getting Started with Brightpath Maths
- May 22 – Moderation: next Steps in Brightpath Writing
- May 28 – Getting Starting with Persuasive Assessment.

For more information, click [here](#).

Many Languages - One Methodology Course - commencing 4 June

This course assists practising teachers to up-skill and engage in valuable second language methodology training. Held over 7 days, this program is designed to provide teachers with a collaborative and supportive environment through which they can engage with contemporary approaches, and address future challenges as they implement the Australian and WA Curriculum for Languages. Click [here](#) for more information.

Mastering the Media - 11 June

This module is targeted at those who have had previous media training or those who have completed the *Mastering The Media - Module 1* masterclass. Topics include:

- Engaging the media as a community leader

- Battle-tested communication strategies
- Media and influence drills (putting you in the spotlight)
- Media conference mastery
- Preparing to influence as a community leader
- Making the media work for you

Click [here](#) for more information.

Developing = "Digital Literacy" | Grok Academy X AISWA - commencing 12 June

Join Grok Academy, to take a deep dive into the Digital Literacy General Capability. Examine each of the elements of Digital Literacy and explore integration and implementation strategies within different learning areas. With a focus on practical and actionable strategies, participants will have opportunities to critique and adapt existing lesson plans to strengthen Digital Literacy learning. Suitable for educators with interest in ICT integration and enhancing student digital literacy. Register [here](#).

Bringing Hope and Action to Teaching and Learning - Purposeful Pedagogies Masterclass - 14 June

Join Hamish Curry, General Manager of Cool.org for this special, socially-purposeful event. This workshop will guide educators through the Cool.org Hope and Act Frameworks. These research-based resources are designed to support all teachers in navigating complex issues and providing approaches to help students understand different perspectives and work towards addressing big challenges. More information [here](#).

Event Date
Title
Arts
27 May
Drama Network Day
Register by 20 May
31 May
Dance Network Day
Register by 23 May
Humanities and Social Sciences
14 June
Bringing Hope and Action to Teaching and Learning - Purposeful Pedagogies Masterclass
Register by 7 June
Languages
30 May

[Cross-Sector Languages Workshop #1: Exploring current trends and implementation in Languages education](#)

Register by 22 May

4 June *(Multiple sessions)*

[Many Languages - One Methodology 2024](#)

Register by 25 May

Leadership and Learning

15 March *(Multiple sessions)*

[2024 Middle Leaders Program](#)

Contact [Shanta Patel](#) for enquiries

27 May *(Multiple sessions)*

[Aspiring Leaders](#)

Register by 21 May

13 June *(Multiple sessions)*

[Motivating Powerful Student Learning and Engagement with Dr Jared Cooney Horvath \(Sessions 2 and 3\)](#)

Register by 3 June

11 June

[Mastering The Media Training – Module 2](#)

Register by 4 June

Literacy

28 May

[Literacy Bites - Story Books](#)

Register by 19 May

21 June

[Literature ATAR and English ATAR Network Day](#)

Register by 14 June

Numeracy

27 May

[Combined Secondary AISWA/CEWA Maths Network Day](#)

Register by 20 May

21 June

[Developing a Whole School Approach to Problem Solving in Mathematics Year 2 to Year 8](#)

Register by 17 June

Technology

5 June

[STEM: Getting the ball rolling and building momentum](#)

Register by 30 May

12 June *(Multiple sessions)*

[Developing = "Digital Literacy" | Grok Academy X AISWA](#)

Register by 31 May

10 June

[Using AI to reduce teacher workload](#)

Register by 4 June

20 June

[AI for Educational Leaders](#)

Register by 14 June

VET

14 June

[VET Coordinators Network Meeting & RTO EXPO](#)

Register by 6 June

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