



Chapel Hill State School

HASS Curriculum and Assessment Overview 2025

YEAR 2



Curriculum Intent

Year Level Description

Our past and present connections to people and places

The Year 2 curriculum extends contexts for study beyond the personal to the community and to near and distant places that students are familiar with or aware of, exploring connections between the past and present and between people and places. Students examine remains of the past in their local area, coming to understand how connections have changed the lives of people over time and space and how their community values and preserves connections to the past. They study where they are located in the world and how the world is represented on maps and through place names that reveal the history and value of these places. Students explore other cultures' connections to their local place and their own connections to distant places. Through a study of technological change, students see how they are both similar and different to people in the past and how they are connected to places near and far. The idea of citizenship is introduced as students think about how people are connected.

The content provides opportunities for students to develop humanities and social sciences understanding through key concepts including significance, continuity and change, cause and effect, place and space, interconnections and perspectives and action. These concepts may provide a focus for inquiries and be investigated across sub-strands or within a particular sub-strand context.

A framework for developing students' knowledge, understanding and skills is provided by inquiry questions. The following inquiry questions allow for connections to be made across the sub-strands and may be used or adapted to suit local contexts: inquiry questions are also provided for each sub-strand that may enable connections within the humanities and social sciences learning area or across other learning areas.

- What does my place tell me about the past and present?
- How are people connected to their place and other places, past or present?
- How has technology affected daily life over time and the connections between people in different places?

Achievement Standards

Spiral Progression and Alignment

Developing the same concepts from one grade level to the next in increasing complexity and application.

YEAR 1

By the end of Year 1, students identify and describe important dates and changes in their own lives. They explain how some aspects of daily life have changed over recent time while others have remained the same. They identify and describe the features of places and their location at a local scale and identify changes to the features of places. They recognise that people describe the features of places differently and describe how places can be cared for.

Students respond to questions about the recent past and familiar and unfamiliar places by collecting and interpreting information and data from observations and from sources provided. They sequence personal and family events in order and represent the location of different places and their features on labelled maps. They reflect on their learning to suggest ways they can care for places. They share stories about the past, and present observations and findings using everyday terms to denote the passing of time and to describe direction and location.

YEAR 2

By the end of Year 2, students describe a person, site and/or event of significance in the local community and explain why places are important to people. They identify how and why the lives of people have changed over time while others have remained the same. They recognise that the world is divided into geographic divisions and that places can be described at different scales. Students describe how people in different places are connected to each other and identify factors that influence these connections. They recognise that places have different meaning for different people and why the significant features of places should be preserved.

Students pose questions about the past and familiar and unfamiliar objects and places. They locate information from observations and from sources provided. They compare objects from the past and present and interpret information and data to identify a point of view and draw simple conclusions. They sequence familiar objects and events in order and sort and record data in tables, plans and on labelled maps. They reflect on their learning to suggest ways to care for places and sites of significance. Students develop narratives about the past and communicate findings in a range of texts using language to describe direction, location and the passing of time.

YEAR 3

By the end of Year 3, students identify individuals, events and aspects of the past that have significance in the present. They identify and describe aspects of their community that have changed and remained the same over time. They describe the diverse characteristics of different places at the local scale and identify and describe similarities and differences between the characteristics of these places. They identify connections between people and the characteristics of places. Students explain the role of rules in their community and the importance of making decisions democratically. They identify the importance of different celebrations and commemorations for different groups. They explain how and why people participate in and contribute to their communities.

Students pose questions and locate and collect information from sources, including observations, to answer these questions. They examine information to identify a point of view and interpret data to identify and describe simple distributions. They draw simple conclusions and share their views on an issue. They sequence information about events and the lives of individuals in chronological order. They record and represent data in different formats, including labelled maps using basic cartographic conventions. They reflect on their learning to suggest individual action in response to an issue or challenge. Students communicate their ideas, findings and conclusions in oral, visual and written forms using simple discipline-specific terms.

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| Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 3 | Term 4 |
| Unit 2 | | | Unit 1 | | |
| <p>Impacts of technology over time</p> <p>Inquiry question: How have changes in technology in toys shaped our daily life?</p> <p>In this unit, students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> investigate continuity and change in technology used in the home, for example, in toys or household products compare and contrast features of objects from the past and present sequence key developments in the use of a particular object in daily life over time pose questions about objects from the past and present describe ways technology has impacted on peoples' lives making them different from those of previous generations | | | <p>Present connections to places</p> <p>Inquiry question: How are people connected to their place and other places?</p> <p>In this unit, students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> draw on representations of the world as geographical divisions and the location of Australia recognise that each place has a location on the surface of the Earth, which can be expressed using direction and location of one place from another identify examples of places that are defined at different levels or scales, such as, personal scale, local scale, regional scale, national scale or region-of-the-world scale understand that people are connected to their place and other places in Australia, the countries of Asia and other places across the world, and that these connections are influenced by purpose, distance and accessibility represent connections between places by constructing maps and using symbols examine geographical information and data to identify ways people, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, are connected to places and factors that influence those connections respond with ideas about why significant places should be preserved and how people can act to preserve them. | | |
| Assessment | | | | | |
| <p><i>Impacts of technology over time</i></p> <p>interpret, compare and sequence objects from the past and present and investigate the impact of changing technologies on people's lives over time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pose questions to investigate how changing technologies used for toys affected the lives of people over time identify information from provided sources to answer questions posed sequence familiar objects in chronological order to represent continuity and change draw simple conclusions about continuities and changes to technologies used for toys and the impacts of change on the lives of people <p>(Linked to U1 Design Tech and U2 Science)</p> | | | <p><i>Present connections to places</i></p> <p>Explore the location and significant features of places and consider how people are connected to these and why they should be preserved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> recognise that places can be described at different scales, and that the world can be divided into major geographical divisions identify the features that define places and represent the location of places and their features on plans and labelled maps sort, record and interpret geographical information and data to draw conclusions about how people are connected to places reflect on their learning to suggest reasons why an important site should be preserved, and how it can be preserved. <p>(Linked to U1 Media)</p> | | |
| Collection of work – Marking Guide | | | Collection of work – Marking Guide | | |
| Achievement Standard – Elements Assessed | | | | | |
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