

SCHOOL NO. 4401 - KATANDRA WEST

Policy Statement: CURRICULUM – 460 Humanities

460 – HUMANITIES

Responsibility: Principal & Staff

This Policy was last ratified by School Council in 2015.

1. **PURPOSE:**

The Humanities program provided in this school will promote an understanding of society and how to participate in it effectively. It will encourage the students to act rationally, sensitively and responsibly in a changing world.

2. **GUIDELINES:**

The Humanities Program will:

- 2.1 Be based on the learning outcomes of the AUSVELS.
- 2.2 Focus upon people and their relationship with their environment.
- 2.3 Emphasise the dimensions of knowledge, skills, values and action within the program.
- 2.4 Make the collective experiences and shared values of Australian and Global Society easily accessible to all students.
- 2.5 Develop an awareness of students' own attitudes, values, beliefs and needs, as well as those of others.
- 2.6 Be a sequential program based on the domains of History (F-6), Geography (5-6) and Economics (5-6).
- 2.7 History is organised into two interrelated strands: Historical knowledge and understanding and Historical skills.
- 2.8 Standards in the Humanities for Geography and Economics are organised into two dimensions: Humanities knowledge and understanding and Humanities skills.
- 2.9 Focus upon our local area, its history and its environment.
- 2.10 Include cultural studies that support our LOTE program when it is offered.
- 2.11 Utilise Information Technology as a teaching and learning resource where appropriate.
- 2.12 The Principal, in consultation with School Council, may vary this Policy if circumstances require it.