Rationale

Park Ridge Primary School strongly believes that learning Languages Other Than English (LOTE) broadens students’ horizons about the personal, social, cultural and employment opportunities that are available in an increasingly interconnected and interdependent world.

At Park Ridge Primary School students learn the Roman Alphabet Language of Indonesian. By learning Indonesian, students extend their literacy repertoires and capacities to communicate. It fosters an understanding and respect for diversity and difference and an appreciation of different experiences and perspectives.

Aim

• To foster an empathy for other cultures and beliefs
• To foster student appreciation of the relationship between language, culture and learning
• To develop intercultural capabilities
• To develop student knowledge and skill to communicate in Indonesian

Implementation

• All students will study Indonesian in lessons provided by a specialist Indonesian teacher
• Two strands will be embedded into our Indonesian curriculum:
  o 'Communicating', which contains the sub-strands of Socialising, Informing, Creating, Translating and Reflecting
  o 'Understanding', which contains the sub-strands of Systems of Language, Language Variation and Change and the Role of Language and Culture
• Learning how to speak, read and write the Indonesian language will be developed through meaningful experiences
• Learning opportunities will be structured to cater for the identified needs of each student
• Student’s individual abilities will be monitored using a range of assessment strategies
• A budget will be provided for the needs of the LOTE (Indonesian) program
• A Whole School incursion will be held every second year
• School Council will review the LOTE selection as part of the School’s 4-yearly review process.

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year internal control process.

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