



LOTE (LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH)

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Introduction

It is believed at Somers Primary School that the learning of a Language other than English contributes to an individual learner's intellectual, social and affective development. Experience in another language and culture enhances the student's quality of living and gives a greater appreciation of other languages and cultures, and one's own.

Aims

- To further develop cognitive processes and learning how-to-learn skills which enhance the understanding of the first language and other learning areas.
- To develop an awareness of how language works and an awareness of language as a tool of communication.
- To be aware of, understand and appreciate other cultures and languages, and in so doing respect the views of others and develop a sense of personal and cultural identity.
- To experience success in learning another language.
- To build appreciation of other cultures and to be able to view the world through the eyes of other cultures.

Implementation

Indonesian, the language other than English, is to be taught by a specialist teacher.

All students in years Foundation to Year 6 will have 45 minutes of specialist instruction per week.

The specialist will provide a wide range of meaningful and enjoyable learning activities that provide the learner with opportunities to participate in communicative use of Indonesian and simulate, where possible, aspects of everyday life in Indonesia.

The program will be developed following the guidelines set out in the Victorian Curriculum.

The Language Other Than English teacher will be responsible for the program.