



McDowall State School

Year 6 - Term 4, 2025

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

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English

Through a novel study, students explore themes of interpersonal relationships and ethical dilemmas in real-world or imagined settings. Students read, view and comprehend a selected novel. Students will plan, create, edit and publish a written imaginative text, organised into characteristic stages and phases of a narrative.



Mathematics

Students further develop proficiency and positive dispositions towards mathematics and its use as they:

- solve problems involving fractions, decimals and percentages of a quantity, including percentage discounts and choosing efficient calculation strategies using digital tools where appropriate
- recognise and use rules that generate growing patterns and number patterns involving natural numbers and rational numbers
- apply computational thinking to develop algorithms that use rules to generate numbers, such as to find unknown values in patterns
- recognise that probabilities of an event can be described and compared numerically
- observe and compare long-run frequencies in repeated chance experiments and simulations
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Science

Life on Earth

Students will explore their local environment, investigating the relationship between the growth and survival of living things and the physical conditions of the environment. Students investigate the impact of the surrounding environment on living things.

HASS

Australia's global connections

In this unit students will investigate the following key inquiry question:

How do Australia's global connections influence my role as a global citizen?

Physical Education

Students will have one 30 minute Physical Education lesson each week. Students will learn skills in bowling, newcombe and table tennis.

Interschool Sport (Years 4 – 6)

Students will participate in Interschool Sport. Students will be involved in sport over 3 x Friday afternoons. Dates are 31 October and the 7, 14 November. Students have nominated for Interschool Sport or at-school Sport. Payment is only required for Interschool Sport.

Japanese

Students will continue to develop their existing knowledge and skills relating to the Japanese language and culture. Learning will focus on:

- Describing their favourite place and information about their likes and dislikes via Q and A.
- Developing students' understanding of hiragana.

Visual Arts

Students will participate in various visual arts activities in Term 4. They will explore various visual arts mediums throughout the term and create a mixed media sculpture that expresses a personal view about a social issue.



Music

- Read, write and aurally identify more complex rhythms including ti-tikas and tika-tis.
- Discuss their ideas and responses to music from the Medieval Period and perform using appropriate musical vocabulary.



Instrumental Band/Strings Students

The students will continue to expand on their skills and repertoire in their relevant instruments, bands and ensembles. Year 5 students who are in the Rode Band, Keona Band, Cantabile Strings and Presto Strings will be invited to be a part of the MusicFest in October.

Dance

Students will participate in one 30 minute lesson each week. Students will continue learning and exploring The Elements of Dance. Students will create a contemporary small group dance performance exploring their memories at McDowall State School as their final task. Students will also respond to their own presented in class as well as others.

Lifesaving Program

Students will participate in a lifesaving program on Tuesday 18th, Thursday 27th November, 4th and 11th December. The aim of the Lifesaving Program is to improve overall lifesaving capabilities, skills and confidence of those students who can already swim, as well as developing confidence in those students with limited swimming instruction.

Students will also learn how to safely assist other swimmers who may experience swimming difficulty.

More information about this exciting learning experience will go out this term.

GRADUATION

December 2025

The Year 6 Presentations Assembly will take place on Wednesday 10th December at 9.00am at Albany Creek State High School Performing Arts Centre.

Graduation Dinner will be held on Wednesday evening at Kedron Wavell Services Club.

Further information will come for these events

Remembrance Day

Years 6 students will participate in a Remembrance Day Service and visit the National Memorial Walk at the Gallipoli Barracks Enoggera on 11th November 2025



CLASS CELEBRATION DAY!!!



Thursday 11th December

Lifesaving Culminating Day

A day to consolidate our skills at the pool 12-2.30pm.

Students will celebrate with pizza and drinks at the pool.

McDowall Speaking Competition

Students from Years 3 – 6 prepare and present a spoken presentation.

Year level finalists present at the Speaking Challenge Assembly on

Tuesday 4th November 9:00am (Year 3 & 4)

Wednesday 5th November 9:00am (Year 5 & 6)

Year 6 finalists compete for the

Linda Davidson Speaking Award

Excursion Information**Year 6 – Term 4, 2025**

Consent requests for all school activities (excursions, incursions, etc) are now done via QParents only. Paper permission forms will no longer be sent home.

Please refer to QParents for up-to-date information on excursions, incursions and payments for this term.

If you do not currently have a QParents account, or the details to set up an account, please contact the School Office on 3872 5333 or admin@mcdowallss.eq.edu.au.

If you are unable to create a QParents account for any other reason, please contact Administration to discuss further.