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## MONTESSORI NATIONAL CURRICULUM

Update from the Montessori Australia

Curriculum & Support Team

It was in November 2011 that a group of dedicated Montessorians celebrated three years of collaborative development of the Montessori National Curriculum.

Through an enormous amount of hard work and passion a group of people across Australia influenced the Montessori world by creating a curriculum outline for the child from birth to eighteen that was approved by ACARA in December 2011.

Nine years later, an outstanding volunteer team of eight Montessori practitioners has been working solidly throughout the year to review the 2011 version of the MNC to update it in a range of areas. We are excited to share that our progress to date has been on:

- English (F-2) crossing 1st and 2nd Plane Language curriculum.
- HASS (F-6) crossing 1st and 2nd Plane History/Geography curriculum.
- Economics & Business (7-10) covering 3rd Plane Humanities and Occupations curriculum.
- Geography (7-10) covering 3rd Plane Humanities, Science and Occupations curriculum.
- Civics & Citizenship (7-10) covering 3rd Plane Humanities and Moral Education curriculum.

We plan further updates across curriculum areas and will update you in subsequent newsletters.

The team is pleased to be collaborating with a professional designer who is developing a system for uploading the curriculum in a digital web-based format. The vision is to enable all member schools and centres to easily access the MNC online in a version similar to the Australian Curriculum, eventually mapping with the Australian Curriculum and individual State curriculums.

The team is also thrilled to be in discussion with data management providers to develop an intuitive and relatively seamless electronic record keeping system that will support a child's progress across the planes of development with consideration to Long Day Care requirements and Government Funding (CCMS) and an interface with primary and adolescent data management requirements.

## Do you want to learn more about the MNC?

The team truly welcome your input and collaborative participation. Should you wish to provide feedback, input, or learn more about our work, please do not hesitate to contact the Curriculum & School Support Team at support@montessori.org.au.

