

# STUDENT ACADEMIC SERVICES

## INFORMATION



### WHO WE ARE

The Student Academic Services (SAS) Department is made up of Learning Support Teachers (LST), and Teacher Aides (TA). LSTs work to develop targeted intervention and programmes for students requiring further assistance with their schooling. The TAs work in targeted classrooms assisting teachers in class, working with students on a one-to-one basis and in targeted withdrawal literacy and numeracy programs where appropriate. There are also specialised TAs who work with Indigenous students.

### WHAT WE DO

SAS is a K-12 Department that focuses on effective teaching practice and student learning. The Department aims to support teachers by providing academic assistance that promotes effective student engagement in the classroom, as well as supporting students with additional learning needs by providing assistance in literacy, numeracy, organisation and study skills.

We provide professional learning opportunities for staff to assist them in meeting the needs of students across the full range of abilities. We promote whole school initiatives that focus on study, effort and literacy development. The SAS Department promotes an inclusive classroom that recognises the diverse learning needs of all students.

### LEARNING SUPPORT

The Learning Support team aims to identify students with learning difficulties, and by working with teachers, seeks to enable students to participate in and benefit from the classroom learning experience. Support comes in various forms and is organised and monitored by Tina Moshkanbaryans, the Learning Support Coordinator. Some of the support includes Homework Club, the development of Individual Plans, modified learning programs, additional literacy and numeracy support, organisational assistance, and disability provisions for examinations.

The overall aim of Learning Support is to encourage all students to enjoy the learning process, take pride in their work, set fulfilling goals and make real progress towards those goals.

### LEARNING ENHANCEMENT

Kinross Wolaroi School seeks to identify and support Gifted and Talented students and encourage them to fulfil their academic potential. We aim to ensure students are intellectually challenged as well as emotionally engaged and supported. Gifted and Talented students are tracked academically with regular contact and feedback from the SAS team, to ensure they are enjoying school, being challenged in their coursework and, most importantly, achieving.

### REFERRALS

Please find attached a Parent Referral Form. Use this form if you wish to bring your child's learning needs to the attention of the SAS Department. Most issues will be managed by your child's classroom teacher however, for some children, they will require support both in and out of the classroom. For more information, please contact the SAS Department on 02 6392 0330.