



# Spencer Park Primary School Learning Area Time Allocations Policy (reviewed 2018)

## POLICY STATEMENT

At Spencer Park Primary School access to the curriculum is provided in a balanced manner with the aim of ensuring all students have opportunities to excel across the breadth of the curriculum. As such, time allocated to key learning areas should be as follows:

	Minutes per week over 40 weeks per year (based on 1550 minutes per school week)		
	SCSA Recommendation		SPPS Allocation
	PP – Y2	Y3 – 6	Whole School
Literacy	360	360	450
Numeracy	300	300	360
Science	120	120	90
HASS	120	120	90
Physical and Health Education	120	120	120
Languages	0 – 120	120	60
The Arts	120	120	90
Technologies	120	120	<i>integrated</i>
Unallocated Time	170*	170	290

\*May be more, depending on time spent on Languages

- Literacy 450 minutes  
This is to comprise 5 x 90 min blocks of time. An additional block may be required for writing.
- Numeracy 360 minutes  
This is to comprise 4 x 90 min.
- Science 90 minutes  
This will be delivered by a Specialist Teacher through the DOTT timetable.
- HASS 90 minutes  
This will be delivered by a Specialist Teacher through the DOTT timetable.
- Physical and Health Education 120 minutes  
Physical Education to comprise daily skill warm ups and an additional game play component in which skills are demonstrated. Health Education may be integrated.
- Languages 60 minutes  
This is to comprise one explicit lesson and daily content warm ups.
- The Arts 90 minutes  
This will be delivered by a Music Specialist Teacher through the DOTT timetable.
- Weekly Assembly, Choir, Scripture  
These regular parts of the school timetable take up around 50 minutes per week.

These are the core curriculum areas and most stable weekly activities to be allocated in a class timetable and provide for around 1310 minutes per week. The remaining time 240 minutes can be allocated to the following:

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|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| • Visual Arts           | • Library     | • Friday Assemblies |
| • Learning Technologies | • Buddy class |                     |
| • Weekly testing        | • Notices     |                     |

Note When time in a week is restricted due to outside activities, the priority is to focus on literacy and numeracy programmes.

A sample timetable is attached.

## RECOMMENDED LEARNING AREA ALLOCATIONS – DRAFT

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:55					
9:00					
9:05	Literacy 90min	Music 90min	Literacy 90min	Literacy 90min	
9:10					
9:15					
9:20					
9:25					
9:30					
9:35					
9:40					
9:45					
9:50					
9:55					
10:00					
10:05					
10:10					
10:15					
10:20					
10:25					
10:30					
10:35	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS	RECESS
10:55	Numeracy 90min	Numeracy 90min	Science 90min	Numeracy 90min	Literacy 90min
11:00					
11:05					
11:10					
11:15					
11:20					
11:25					
11:30					
11:35					
11:40					
11:45					
11:50					
11:55					
12:00					
12:05					
12:10					
12:15					
12:20					
12:25	Physical and Health Education 30min	Choir (Y4-6) Scripture (Y1-6) 30min	Physical and Health Education 30min	Physical and Health Education 30min	Physical and Health Education 30min
12:30					
12:35					
12:40					
12:45					
12:50					
12:55	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
13:40	Languages 60min	Literacy 90min	Numeracy 90min	HASS 90min	
13:45					
13:50					
13:55					
14:00					
14:05					
14:10					
14:15					
14:20					
14:25					
14:30					
14:35					
14:40	Weekly Assembly 20min				
14:45					
14:50					
14:55					
15:00					
15:05					
15:10	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME