

MACEDONIAN COMMUNITY OF WA (INC)

MACEDONIAN COMMUNITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL

ШКОЛО ЗА МАКЕДОНСКИ ЈАЗИК



Overview

- Established in 2012
- Largest single provider of Macedonian language in Western Australia
- Aims to provide Macedonian language and culture to all individuals
- Established on strong partnerships with students and their families
- Classes operate from the Macedonian Community Centre of Western Australia
- Classes operate after hours. Classes are not held during school holidays, on public holidays or on long weekends when a public holiday falls on a Saturday or Monday.





School Structure

School Board

- Provides strategic advice to ensure the effective operation of the Macedonian Community Language School.
- Meets quarterly
- Representation comprises 8 members

Planning Committee

- Establish annual business plan
- Meets annually
- Representation comprises Board members, teachers, students and teaching practitioners.

Classes

- Kindergarten to Year 12 Class
- Senior Classes
- Short Term Courses





Curriculum

Kindergarten to Year 12

- Consistent course outline with other Australian States who deliver Macedonian language
- Cultural understandings are embedded in the language course outline, including music, songs and stories
- The course outline also provides practical opportunities to use the Macedonian language in associated Community events

Foundational Macedonian

- Students 17 years and older
- Develop an understanding of the history and structure of the Macedonian language.
- Students learn to speak, read and write Macedonian





Curriculum (Cont.)

Advanced and Conversational Macedonian

- Students 17 years and older
- Already have basic ability to read, write and speak Macedonian
- Builds on the Foundational Macedonian program
- Enhances the use of Macedonian language through conversation, literature and cultural sources





Teaching Arrangements

- Monday Kindergarten to Year 12
 - Level 1 (Ages 5 to 10) Breanna Manov
 - Level 2 (Ages 11 to 17) Jovanka Jakovceska
- Tuesday Foundational Macedonian John Ailakis
 - For students who have no or little knowledge of the Macedonian language
- Thursday Advanced and Conversational Macedonian John Ailakis
 - For students who have the ability to read and write Macedonian at a basic level.
- Relief teachers: Vasko Kamchev and Natasha Naumovski





Breanna Manov K-12 – Level 1 (Junior Group)

Students participating in the first phase of learning should generally be able to:

- repeat teacher-modelled use of the language
- participate in choral use of the language
- identify the names of visible objects and items from visual cues
- introduce themselves, greet and farewell the teacher
- follow simple classroom directions
- notice and discuss the different writing system, and practise writing individual letters and other symbols
- distinguish selected letter sounds from English, match sounds and letters, identify words for concrete items from cues, etc.
- copy or trace selected letters and match them to sounds and words.





Jovanka Jakovceska K-12 – Level 2

Students participating in this course acquire two dimensions of key knowledge and skills:

- how to communicate in Macedonian; and
- obtain intercultural knowledge and language awareness.

Skills such as:

- listening, speaking, reading, viewing and writing.
- vocabulary and grammar; and
- familiarity with a wide range of texts in Macedonian.
- connection between language and culture and how culture is embedded in language;
- awareness of the influence of culture in their own life and their first language, English.
- knowledge of cultural traditions.

Themes for this year include Sports, Transport, Leisure Activities, Shopping, Food, Animals, In the classroom and I am feeling.





Jovanka Jakovceska K-12 – Level 2 (Cont.)

Студентите кои учествуваат во овој курс се стекнуваат со две димензии на клучно знаење и вештини:

- Како да комуницираат на Македонски јазик; и
- добиваат инеркултурно знаење и свесност за јазкикот.

Вештините како што се:

- слушање, зборување, читање, гледање и пишување;
- речник и граматика;
- запознавање со широк обем на текстови на Македонски јазик;
- поврзаноста на јазикот со културата и како културата е вткаена во јазикот;
- свесност за влијанието на културата во нивниот живот и нивниот прв јазик, Англискиот; и
- запознавање со културните традиции.

Темите за оваа година вклучуваат: Спорт, Транспорт, Слободни активности, Пазарење (купување), Храна, Животни, Во училницата и Јас чувствувам.





John Ailakis Foundational Macedonian

Who is it aimed at?

За кој е?

- For those with little or no knowledge of Macedonian.
- За тие што немаат, или имаат малку, разбирање на македонскиот јазик.

What are the goals of the course?

Што се целите на курсот?

- 1. To be able to read and write Macedonian Cyrillic.
- 1. Ќе можат да пишуваат и читаат по македонски.
- 2. To have a basic understanding of the structure of Macedonian.
- 2. Да имаат основен разбирање на структуата на македонскиот јазик.





John Ailakis Foundational Macedonian (Cont.)

- 3. To be able to engage in simple Macedonian conversation.
- 3. Ќе можат да се вклучат во едноставен разговор по македонски.

What are the techniques we use?

Што се техниките што ги користиме?

- Professional textbook
- Spoken exercises
- Games
- Audio-visual material (and more ...)
- Професионален учебник
- Вежби со зборување
- Игри
- Аудио-Визуелни материјали (и повеќе ...)





Parent Participation

- Reading Roster
- Volunteers
- School Board
- Performances/Family Evenings
- Fund Raisers
- Administration and Secretariat Role





Parent Communications

- Newsletters
- Website www.macedoniawa.com.au
- Facebook https://www.facebook.com/MacedonianCommunityWA
- Parent Information Night
- Radio 95.3 6EBA FM, 103.3 MAK FM
- Assessment and Student Reporting
- Directly with teachers before or after class
- Contact with Director via email on language@macedoniawa.com.au
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