



## Skola Maltija Sydney

A PROGRAM OF AKKADEMJA MALTIVA TA' NEW SOUTH WALES INC.

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### ENROLMENT INFORMATION TERM 1, 2026

Dear parents, carers and students,

The teachers and management committee of Skola Maltija Sydney would like to welcome all students and families to the New Year, 2026. 2026 was a landmark year for Skola Maltija Sydney, with our community growing to 70 students! This growth is a testament to the persistent interest in our language and the impact of our dedicated teachers and committee. To meet the demand, we are pleased to announce that we will be offering 4 classes this term, including a **new online Year 7-10 High School class pilot**. The teaching and learning program will follow the Modern Languages K-10 syllabus (2022).

#### PRIMARY K-6 CLASSES

**Primary Teaching and Learning Coordinator:** Ms Denise Attard

##### Online Primary Class

**Day:** Monday commencing 2 February to 30 March (9 classes)

**Time:** 4.00pm to 6.00pm (1 hour online and 1 hour of offline work)

**Class teachers:** Mrs Pauline Bonanno and Ms Denise Attard

##### Primary Class at Llandilo Public School

**Day:** Wednesday commencing 11 February to 1 April (8 classes)

**Time:** 3.45pm to 6.00pm

**Class teachers:** Mrs Ann Marie Xiberras and Ms Angie Saliba

#### HIGH SCHOOL CLASS

**High School Teaching and Learning Coordinator:** Ms Annemarie Thind

##### Online High School Class (Yr 7 to Yr 10)

**Day:** Monday commencing 2 February to 30 March (9 classes)

**Time:** 5.30pm to 7.30pm (1 hour online and 1 hour of offline work)

**Class teachers:** Mrs Pauline Bonanno and Ms Ann Marie Xiberras

#### ADULT CLASS

**Adult Teaching and Learning Coordinator:** Mrs Anna Cuschieri

##### Adult Beginners/Continuers Class

**Day:** Thursday commencing 5 February to 26 March (8 classes)

**Time:** 7.30pm to 9.30pm

**Class teacher:** Mrs Pauline Bonanno and Mrs Anna Cuschieri

## ABOUT SKOLA'S CLASSES

Abiding by the guidelines of the NSW Community Languages Schools Program, there are 8 lessons per term (2 hours 15 minutes duration). In Terms 1, 2 and 3, the ninth lesson is normally a cultural excursion where students and their families can participate in a traditional Maltese community event. Online K-12 classes run over 9 lessons per term to meet these guidelines. We aim to keep low student to teacher ratios to optimise the multilevel learning environment of our classes.

Students in Year 11 and 12 are welcome to join the High School Class or Adult class with parental permission.

## TEACHING AND LEARNING PROGRAM

Over the past 18 years, the teachers of Skola Maltija Sydney have collaboratively developed 12 primary and adult teaching and learning units. All are regularly refined and updated. Teaching and learning programs feature Maltese history, geography and culture. The primary program also includes games, songs and dance. Lessons cater for differentiated instruction to maximise each student's growth and individual success.

This year, our units will continue to be updated in line with focus areas and outcomes from the new [Modern Languages K-10 \(2022\)](#) syllabus. Student progress reports will also reflect outcomes from the new syllabus.

**Term 1:** Dwari, Dwarek *About me, About you*

**Term 2:** Attivitajiet u Passatempi *Activities and Hobbies*

**Term 3:** Il-familja tiegħi u l-Haddiema *My family and Community Workers*

**Term 4:** Ikel u Xorb *Food and Drink*

## FEES AND PAYMENTS

For details about fees and payments, please refer to the [Schedule of Fees](#).

**There will be no fees for students who enrol in the online high school class.** The operating costs will be covered by funds from the Community Language Schools Grants Program, administered by the Australian Department of Home Affairs. Additional funding support may also be provided through the Online Learning Pilot Program, overseen by the NSW Community Languages Schools Program (NSW Department of Education).

## ACTIVE AND CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHER PROGRAM

Skola Maltija Sydney is an approved Active and Creative Kids provider under the NSW State Government program. In fact, our organisation has been a registered Creative Kids provider since 2019. **Skola accepts vouchers for K-12 students enrolled in either face-to-face or online classes.** For further details on how to apply visit [Service NSW](#) or refer to the [Schedule of Fees](#).

## COVID SAFE PLAN

As a community language school, Skola Maltija Sydney is encouraged to follow the NSW Department of Education's [COVID-smart measures](#) and [NSW Health guidelines](#). For more information, refer to the [COVID Safe Plan](#). Regularly updated COVID-19 guidelines are available on the [NSW Department of Education Advice for Families webpage](#).

## ONLINE CLASSES

Please ensure that you/your child log in on time and have all the necessary equipment and books ready at hand. The following information will be emailed by the teacher to students, parents/carers prior to the first lesson:

- Zoom video conference meeting ID and password
- Google Classroom web address link and class code

In the first lesson, the teacher will explain how their Google Classroom is organised and demonstrate how students can access resources. You can browse help topics at: [Google Classroom Help Centre](#). There are also several video tutorials on YouTube to guide you. We encourage that young students are supervised by a parent/carer during class time to ensure a positive learning experience.

## HOW TO ENROL

This year, enrolment will be facilitated via the [Skola Maltija Sydney website](#), with payments to be made via bank transfer. **Please note that a guarantee of placement requires that you submit a completed enrolment form and provide the bank transaction receipt number on the enrolment form as evidence of payment.** Payment details are available in the [Schedule of Fees](#) and the enrolment form. Students must complete an online enrolment form once for each scholastic year. To assist us with administration, **please submit the form and finalise payment at least 2 days before the first lesson**, allowing reasonable time for processing by the Enrolment Coordinator. **To enrol after this time, please contact Annemarie directly via call or text to ensure that your enrolment is processed in time.**

## MALTESE DICTIONARIES

If you would like to purchase a bilingual dictionary, please ask your teacher or send us an email. Prices are listed on the [Schedule of Fees](#). Please note that our current stock is limited, and we are in the process of placing a bulk order with BDL Books in Malta.

## STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS

All K-12 students receive a half-yearly and yearly report that can be presented to their mainstream school as a record of their Maltese language studies. All students who complete their studies satisfactorily receive a Certificate of Achievement at an end of year presentation event.

Furthermore, the NSW Community Languages Schools Program (NSW Department of Education) issues a Certificate of Participation to K-12 students who have attended for the full year. Principals of mainstream schools are also notified of the certificates.

## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

To stay updated with our program activities and Maltese community events, follow the [Skola Maltija Sydney Facebook page](#).

Please feel free to forward this information to family and friends who may be interested in learning Maltese. We wish you all the best in your/your child's studies this term.

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