

THRASS

THRASS stands for Teaching Handwriting, Reading and Spelling Skills. All learning styles are catered for promoting the early achievement of these valuable skills. From Pre-Kindergarten to Year 6, THRASS is a valuable resource for teaching mainstream as well as English as a Second Language (ESOL).

THRASS is used to support language learning in the primary school. THRASS strategies and activities are integrated into the three strands of the English language curriculum - reading, writing, speaking & listening.

Students are introduced to the 44 speech sounds (phonemes) and their most common spelling choices (graphemes) through a variety of engaging activities.

Junior students gain valuable skills in articulation, handwriting, spelling, and reading 120 common words. Senior students benefit from extension into the use of the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) used in dictionaries to support pronunciation of unfamiliar words.

ESOL students benefit from all of the above activities. THRASS resources used in the school include magnetic graphemes, engaging flash cards, fun games, jigsaws, big books, interactive CD-roms and the catchy THRASS rap.