



Course Outline

Year 1

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Course Outline & Scope and Sequence

This is a summary of our course for Year 1. Typically, a child in Year 1 is around 6 or 7.

Philosophy

Charlotte Mason's literature rich approach to home education is our foundational philosophy and method. However, we have also introduced a range of eclectic teaching ideas and resources that reflect a modern approach to the Australian Curriculum.

An atmosphere of learning is encouraged in the home with natural learning opportunities harnessed. Delight directed learning is supported with children having the freedom to explore desired areas of interest.

Parent Teaching

Learning how to be a home educator is an important part of home education so we provide a free training course – How to Homeschool 101 with subscription to My Homeschool. This includes lessons on the implementation of Charlotte Mason's ideas, natural learning, assessment and socialisation.

Assessment and Record Keeping

A 36 week schedule is provided which has been split into 4 terms. 8 weeks are set topics and the 9th week is an assessment and review week that often includes a project.

Each week has its own checklist available online or as a downloadable PDF.

Registration is made simple with our Yearly Planning Template and detailed scope and sequence. We also provide certificates and portfolio prompts that will make documentation and continued registration a cinch.

At the end of each term there is a downloadable report of work achieved over the term. Parents add comments and assessments of their child's progress in each area of learning.

There are no formal tests in Year 1.

English

Our literature based approach includes many living books.

Spelling, grammar and punctuation are taught using sentences and Dolch word lists. Classic literature is used for copywork and handwriting practice. Comprehension lessons are done using narration and conversation. Children are encouraged to explain what they are seeing as a pre-writing skill.

They will be developing their reading skills but progress is very individual. Reading together is still required.

Math

We don't provide a math curriculum but we do give suggestions.

History and Geography

While a chronological approach to history is taught from Year 2, Year 1 is a gentle introduction to history, comparing daily life today with that from previous generations.

Beginner mapping exercises, characteristics of places and world geography are covered in Year 1.

Civics and Citizenship

Governance and civics are viewed through living books and an exploration of how this works in your local neighbourhood.

Science & Nature, Technology & Design

We study chemistry and physics, including some simple experiments to do at home to understand the scientific process. Using a literature based unit study we also examine building materials across the world. Relevant information is provided through our resources and websites.

Four themes for Nature Study are offered, including coastal environments, seasonal change, weeds and Australian flora.

Creative Arts

Creative and Practical Arts are taught with other subjects including: nature journaling, literature based unit studies, picture study and music appreciation.

Dramatic presentations are practiced during poetry recital and acting out stories.

Personal Health & Development

This commonsense subject is taught through the activities of daily living and participation in local sports and community events. Healthy Conversations checklists are provided for each stage of the syllabus so you can teach respectful relationships and personal growth as you deem appropriate.

Note: We have not included a structured devotion time into this course. If this is your practice we encourage you to do so and count it as part of your child's personal development.

What's Included

These are provided in an electronic file format and found in the resource section of your course.

- Year One Course Introduction
- Year One Guide: 36 weeks of lesson plans.
- Registration Pack: Yearly plan with scope and sequence.
- Primary Language Lessons Year 1
- Beatrix Potter Classic Copywork
- Mother Goose Classic Copywork
- My First Science Conversations – Kitchen Chemistry and Physical World
- Humanities and Social Sciences Units Year 1
- Nature Study in Year 1
- Healthy Conversations Foundation to Year 2
- Book Log: Birds or Frogs

The screenshot displays the 'Learnbook Panel' for a user named Michelle Morrow. The interface includes a navigation menu on the left with options like Home, My Dashboard, Courses, Calendar, My Certificates, My Team, Administration, Analytics, and Reporting. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Before You Start' and 'Virtual Cupboard'. Both sections contain a list of resources with checkboxes indicating their status. The 'Before You Start' section includes Course Introduction, 36weekplan-year2, Student-RegistrationLearningPlan, Year2-Scope-Sequence, and Year-2-Resource-checklist. The 'Virtual Cupboard' section lists various educational materials such as History Makers-Year2, Y2-ancienthistorytimeline-draft, PoetryforKids-Year2-Classic, Aesops Fables Italics largeprint, scripture-copywork-italics, primary-language-lessons-Year2-2017, Earth-science-conversations, Australian-Book-Traveller-Earth-Science, MaryMacKillop-lapbook-template pages, MaryMacKillop-teacher-instructions, Healthy-Conversations-Year F2, booklogs birds, and booklogs frog.

Resource	Progress
Course Introduction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36weekplan-year2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Student-RegistrationLearningPlan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Year2-Scope-Sequence	<input type="checkbox"/>
Year-2-Resource-checklist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Virtual Cupboard	
History Makers-Year2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Y2-ancienthistorytimeline-draft	<input type="checkbox"/>
PoetryforKids-Year2-Classic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Aesops Fables Italics largeprint	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
scripture-copywork-italics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
primary-language-lessons-Year2-2017	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Australian-Book-Traveller-Earth-Science	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MaryMacKillop-lapbook-template pages	<input type="checkbox"/>
MaryMacKillop-teacher-instructions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Healthy-Conversations-Year F2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
booklogs birds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
booklogs frog	<input type="checkbox"/>

Additional Books and Resources

These items are not provided but are needed for the course. It is estimated these will cost approximately \$200.

- Own choice math curriculum
- [The Wonderland of Nature by Nuri Mass](#) (also used Years 2-3)
- [Marguerite Makes a Book by Bruce Robertson](#)
- *Peter's Old House* by Elsa Beskow
- [If You Lived Here: Houses of the World by Giles Laroche](#)
- [The Day of Ahmed's Secret by Florence Parry Heide and Judith Heide Gilliland](#)
- [Caribbean Dream by Rachel Isadora](#)
- [Magic Beach by Alison Lester](#) (stocked by many libraries)
- [Hello from Nowhere by Raewyn Caisley and Karen Blair](#) (stocked by many libraries)
- [Desert Lake: The Story of Kati Thanda – Lake Eyre by Pamela Freeman and Liz Anelli](#) (stocked by many libraries)
- [The Man Who Walked Between the Towers by Mordicai Gerstein](#) (stocked by a number of libraries)
- [The Third Gift by Linda Sue Park](#) (stocked by a number of libraries)
- Stationary supplies.

Sample from Week Three

Family Time and Read Alouds

- ❖ Own Choice scripture and family devotional
- ❖ Read picture books:
- ❖ Own Choice Novel
- ❖ Poetry: [Harps We Love](#) by Henry Kendall
- ❖ Composer Study (AM)
- ❖ Picture Study Rotation (AM)

On Your Own Subjects

- ❖ Own Choice Reading Instruction
- ❖ Handwriting: Beatrix Potter Classic Copywork: pages 12 - 14 (EBK)
- ❖ Own Choice Math Curriculum (\$)
- ❖ Primary Language Lessons: Lessons 7 - 9

Notebooking Activities

- ❖ Kitchen Chemistry – Lesson 3
- ❖ History with Marguerite – Lesson 3
- ❖ Nature Study

Enrichment Activities

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ❖ Classic read aloud | ❖ Music lesson practice |
| ❖ Free reading / library visit | ❖ Listen to term composer |
| ❖ Nature walk | ❖ Handicrafts |
| ❖ Sports activity | ❖ Nature Study reading |

Additional Notes

Sample from Week Nine: Assessment and Review

- ❖ Collect samples of work for portfolio. (For Queensland students follow the HEU guidelines. Look for a sample from each subject).
- ❖ Catch up on any unfinished work.
- ❖ If your child requires additional copywork practice, please use pages 6 – 14 from Mother Goose Classic Copywork as needed.
- ❖ Look over child's work and write an assessment of their progress—refer to each subject and record any extra curricula activities that you did this term. Place term assessment in portfolio.
- ❖ Print off term report from My Homeschool and place in portfolio.
- ❖ Record child's own reading in book log.
- ❖ Look through *Healthy Conversations* checklist to see if you can check off any topics.
- ❖ Check you have all the books needed (*) and complementary for next term:
 - ✓ **Peter's Old House* by Elsa Beskow

Complementary

- ✓ *What is the World Made of?: All About Solids, Liquids and Gases* by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld
 - ✓ *Amelia Ellicott's Garden* by Liliana Stafford and Stephen Michael King
 - ✓ *Window* by Jeannie Baker
 - ✓ *Follow that Map! A First Book of Mapping Skills* by Scot Ritchie
 - ✓ *Amy and Louis* by Libby Gleeson
 - ✓ *Look Where We Live! A First Book of Community Building* by Scot Ritchie
- ❖ Select a few books for child's own reading Term 2.

Sample from Week Twenty Eight

Family Time and Read Alouds

- ❖ Own Choice scripture and family devotional
- ❖ Read picture books:
- ❖ Own Choice Novel
- ❖ Poetry: [I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud](#) – William Wordsworth
- ❖ Composer Study (AM)
- ❖ Picture Study Rotation (AM)

On Your Own Subjects

- ❖ Own Choice Reading Instruction
- ❖ Handwriting: Mother Goose Classic Copywork: pages 38 - 40 (EBK)
- ❖ Own Choice Math Curriculum (\$)
- ❖ Primary Language Lessons: Lessons 73 - 75

Notebooking Activities

- ❖ Physical World – Lesson 9
- ❖ Special Places – Lesson 1
- ❖ Nature Study

Enrichment Activities

- ❖ Classic read aloud
- ❖ Free reading / library visit
- ❖ Nature walk
- ❖ Sports activity
- ❖ Music lesson practice
- ❖ Listen to term composer
- ❖ Handicrafts
- ❖ Nature Study reading

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