

**Ringwood Secondary College**  
**2017 Course Planning Document**

## **VCE Unit 1 English Language**

### **Time Allocation**

This unit of work will consist of approximately 100 hours of which at least 50 hours will be class time. **To complete this unit of work satisfactorily, students must complete each of the following learning outcomes.**

### **Learning Outcomes**

#### **Outcome 1**

The student should be able to discuss and analyse the **Nature and Functions of Language**, and explore the way they represent culture, knowledge, and relationships.

#### **Outcome 2**

The student should be able to discuss and explore **Language Acquisition** processes and theories.

### **Assessment Tasks**

#### **1. Nature of Language Test**

The student is required to sit a test featuring short answer questions about the nature of language.

**Weighting:** This task is worth 25% of the overall grade      **Time allocated to task:** 1 period  
**Due: Term 1, Week 5**

#### **2. Functions of Language Test**

The student is required to sit a test featuring short answer questions and an extended response about the nature of language.

**Weighting:** This task is worth 25% of the overall grade      **Time allocated to task:** 1 period  
**Due: Term 1, Week 9**

#### **3. Oral Presentation – Child Language Acquisition**

The student is required to present an analysis about a child's process of language learning.

**Weighting:** This task is worth 20% of the overall grade      **Time allocated to task:** 1 period  
**Due: Term 2, Week 5**

#### **4. Semester Examination**

The student is required to apply knowledge and understanding of child language acquisition by responding to short answer questions, and writing an essay.

**Weighting:** This task is worth 30% of the overall grade      **Time allocated to task:** 90 minutes  
**Due: Term 2, Week 9**