

"How could we be better connected with other countries? By having a school exchange, by speaking different languages..."

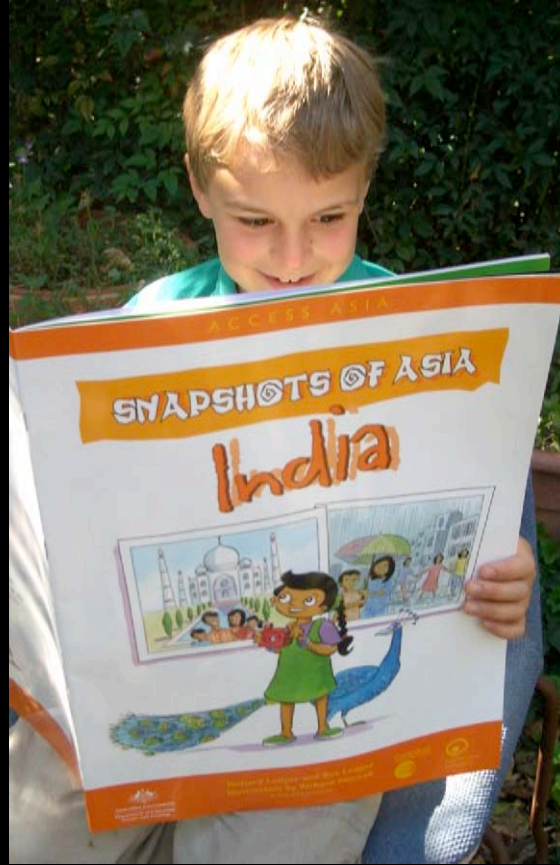
Rural, WA

"Australia should send more people over to India and China to let the people know what a great country we are".

Metro, ACT

"High on the students' list was peace and acceptance with China and India".

Rural, Victoria





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National Statement for Engaging Young Australians with Asia in Australian Schools



Asia literacy: six action areas



- 1 Teaching & Learning
- 2 Curriculum resources
- 3 Teacher professional learning
- 4 Engaging parents and community
- 5 Teacher education
- 6 Quality Assurance

“Most states cite an increase in examples where an explicit focus on Asia had been embedded in curriculum documentation and this has strengthened in the past 12 months.”

Report to AESOC on the Take-up of the *National Statement for Engaging Young Australians with Asia in Australian Schools*,
May 2008

Australian Government
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Asia Scope and Sequence for Studies of Society and Environment

Engaging young Australians with Asia

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“... the Australian Government recognizes the vital importance of equipping young Australians with the knowledge and skills to communicate and work with our regional neighbours... such skills must be a core element of an Australian school curriculum.”

The Hon Julia Gillard MP
Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Education

February 2008



PROGRESS

Increased:

Policy inclusion

Government funding : Leading 21st Century Schools and the National Asian Languages and Studies in Schools Project

Commitment from principals, parents and education stakeholders

Support:

AEF & AEF Advisers in each state and territory

Access Asia **curriculum resources** and Asia Scope and Sequences

11,000 teachers undertook **professional learning** in 2007

HOWEVER....

Policy agreement without **significant resources** to support implementation, does not result in achievements in **schools**

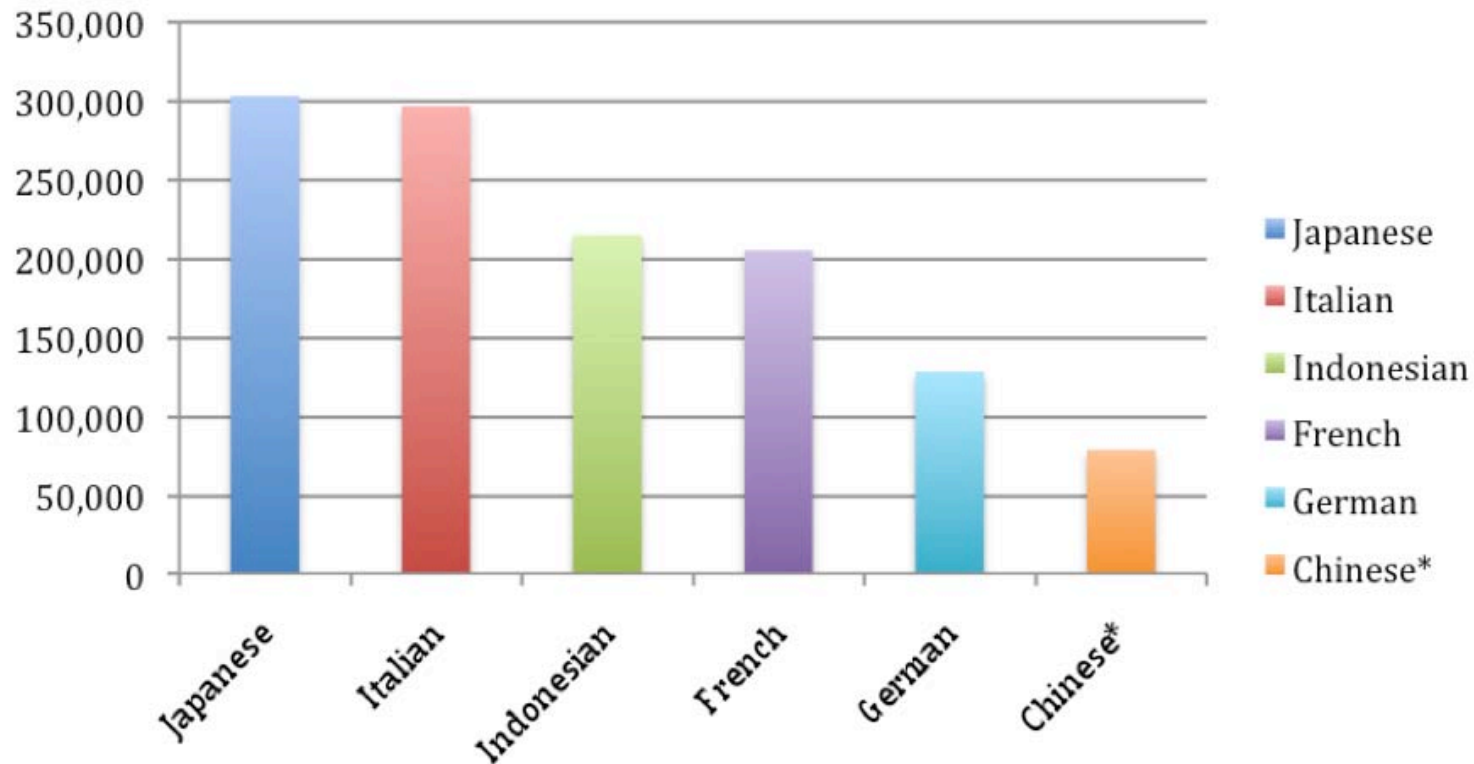
Difficult to identify the real uptake of the *Statement* in schools or in student learning without **targets** or **benchmarking**

Engaging **parents** requires increased investment

Teacher education not adequately addressed

Lack of funds to support teacher professional learning remains urgent

Total Govt and Non Govt sector student enrolments in Languages 2005



* includes all Chinese languages

Data drawn from: An Investigation of the State and Nature of Languages in Australian Schools, University of South Australia, Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, October 2007



‘Skills for future participation in society must include intercultural engagement, communication and understanding, recognizing the diversity in the Australian workforce and the significant number of Australians employed in companies operating globally.’

The Future of Schooling in Australia

Federalist Paper No 2

April 2007



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Asian Film Series for Children in Madrid

Madrid. 08-05-2008 > 29-05-2008 18.30 h.
The Casa Asia Centre - Madrid continues with its Asian film series for children organised by Casa Asia, in collaboration with CineAsia. This month the films that will be screened come from Japan and, among them, we stand out "Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind" or "Heidi, The Film".
Next screening, 22nd of May: "Heidi, The Film"



Asian Film Series for Children

Barcelona. 10-05-2008 > 31-05-2008 17 h.
Casa Asia, in collaboration with CineAsia, organises this series where films from Japan will be screened for the youngest. Among the films that will be screened the following stand out "The Last Unicorn" or "Little Nemo".
Next screening, 17th of May: "Classical Fairy Tales II"





Asia Education Foundation 2008-2011

- **Embed intercultural competencies related to Asia:** National Goals for Schooling & National Curriculum
- **Build demand for Asia literacy:** *National Coalition for Asia in the Schools*
- **Partner state & territory jurisdictions:** engaging schools with Asia
- **Support principals & teachers:** Asia On-line web portal, Asia study tours, school-twinning programs



Leading 21st Century Schools: Engage with Asia

A national initiative for principals

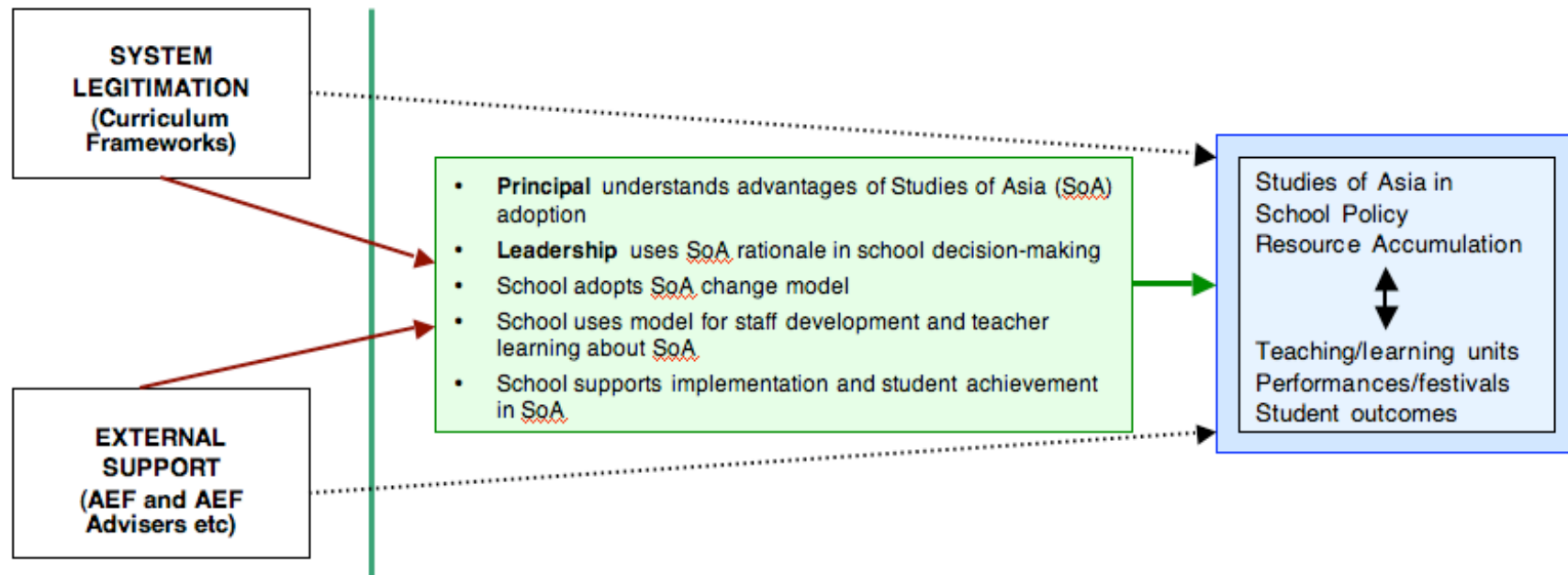
Tool Kit Modules



EXTERNAL FACTORS

PRINCIPAL

WHOLE-SCHOOL IMPLEMENTATION



Curriculum Outcomes in Access Asia Schools

Professor John Owen, 2006

Leading 21st Century Schools: Engage with Asia

2008

May	National Forum
June	Statewide Meeting
July-August	School Action and Networks
September	Statewide Meeting
October	School Grants - \$300,000

2009

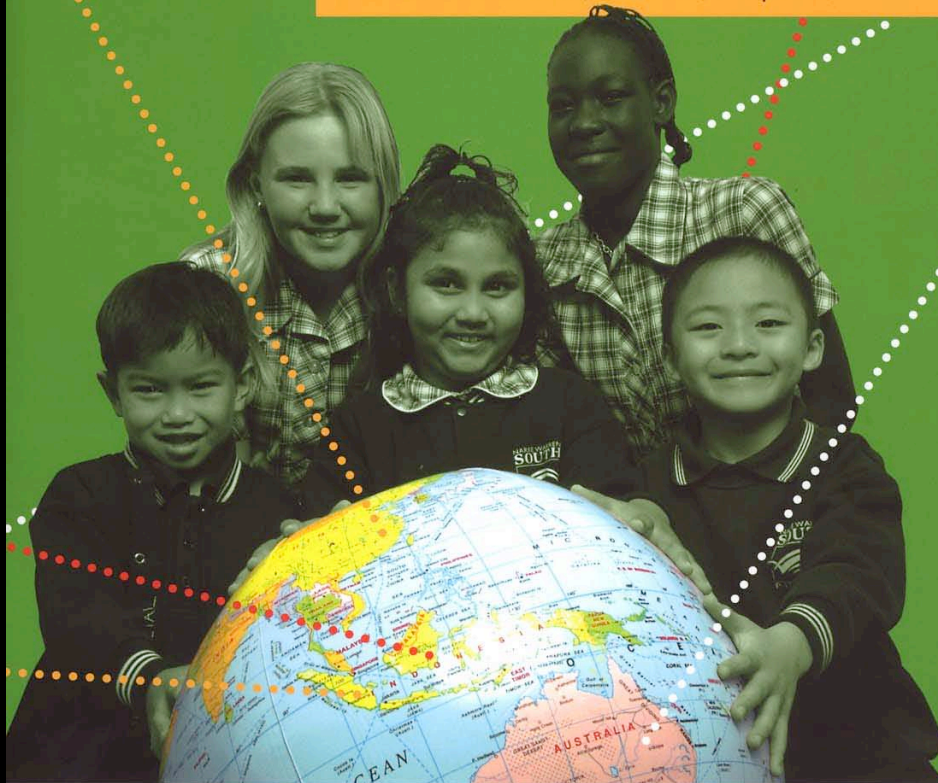
Feb - Sept	Statewide Meeting School Grant Action National Forum
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How schools can, and do, respond



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New release: case studies of
change.

Leading 21st Century Schools
Principal's Toolkit