Year 4 Ancient Explorers – Ice Age travellers – the settlement of Australia Unit 4.1 Curriculum Mapping

This curriculum mapping refers to version 8 of the National Curriculum. Unit 4.1 addresses the following aspects of the Humanities And Social Sciences (HASS) curriculum:

Curriculum Strands	Inquiry and Skills	Knowledge and Understanding
History	distributions and simple patterns (ACHASSI078); Draw simple conclusions based on analysis of information and data (ACHASSI079);	The diversity of Australia's first peoples and the long and continuous connection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to Country/Place (land, sea, waterways and skies) (ACHASSK083)
Geography		The importance of environments, including natural vegetation, to animals and people (ACHASSK088); The custodial responsibility Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples have for Country/Place, and how this influences views about sustainability (ACHASSK089); The use and management of natural resources and waste, and the different views on how to do this sustainably (ACHASSK090) – this item is introduced in this unit, to be covered in later units
Civics and Citizenship		The differences between 'rules' and 'laws', why laws are important and how they affect the lives of people, including experiences of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples (ACHASSK092)

Science Curriculum Extensions

Built into Unit 4.1 is the potential to cover strands in the Science Curriculum, using extension material. Some core Science strands are also embedded within the main sections of Unit 4.1. The following table indicates which Science Curriculum strands are addressed within Unit 4.1.

Science Understanding	Science as a Human Endeavour	Science Inquiry Skills
Living things depend on each other and the environment to survive (ACSSU073)	Science knowledge helps people to understand the effect of their actions (ACSHE062)	With guidance, identify questions in familiar contexts that can be investigated scientifically and make predictions based on prior knowledge (ACSIS064)
Natural and processed materials have a range of physical properties that can influence their use (ACSSU074)		With guidance, plan and conduct scientific investigations to find answers to questions, considering the safe use of appropriate materials and equipment (ACSIS065)
Earth's surface changes over time as a result of natural processes and human activity (ACSSU075)		Consider the elements of fair tests and use formal measurements and digital technologies as appropriate, to make and record observations accurately (ACSIS066)
		Compare results with predictions, suggesting possible reasons for findings (ACSIS216)
		Reflect on investigations, including whether a test was fair or not (ACSIS069)
		Represent and communicate observations, ideas and findings using formal and informal representations (ACSIS071)