

# ABOUT

## **We are a fully accredited after-hours community language school run by the Temple Society Australia**

The Temple Society Australia was founded in Germany over 150 years ago. Our German Language School was established more than 60 years ago to give the children of Templers, who migrated to Australia after World War II, a connection to their heritage language.

We are a member of the Ethnic Schools Association of Victoria, an organisation that represents over 200 community languages schools to facilitate quality language education and cultural maintenance programs.

## **Our teachers are all native or fluent speakers of German**

Our teachers engage in ongoing professional learning with organisations such as:

- Goethe-Institut
- Ethnic Schools Association of Victoria
- Association of German Teachers of Victoria
- Modern Language Teachers Association of Victoria
- Victorian Department of Education and Training

## **Students are grouped according to their age and school year, as well as to their proficiency and experience in German**

Classes for second language learners are designed for children with some or no background in German.

Features:

- Bilingual classes (German-English)
- Themes and topics selected according to students' interests and age levels
- Range of activities used to build and enhance the children's language skills

Classes for background language learners are designed for children who already have proficiency in German, or who come from families in which German is spoken consistently with at least one parent.

Features:

- Teachers are native speakers with classes conducted in German only
- Children can participate in all activities in German
- Teaching and learning focus on the introduction and extension of reading and writing skills
- Includes an established reading program involving parents.

Our school follows the Victorian curriculum.

## **Our German Language School is the longest running ethnic community language school in Melbourne**

We actively promote the connection between language and culture in all of our community activities.

We have maintained a strong connection to our German heritage, culture and language and hold annual events such as Sommerfest, Sonnwendfeier and Adventsfeier.

Our German Language School participates in various cultural activities throughout the year, such as the AGTV German Poetry Competition and we also organise our own events such as the annual Winter Concert.

Trust, acceptance and respect are the cornerstones of the Temple Society community and these values contribute to the successful learning of German.

**The Victorian State Government Department of Education and Training (DET) provides a subsidy for each child attending the school enrolled by the end of March in any year.**

## LOCATIONS

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Classes take place once a week from 5.00pm to 7.30pm and are offered at two campuses:

### **Bayswater Campus**

#### **Tuesdays**

Temple Society Australia  
51 Elizabeth Street  
Bayswater

### **Bentleigh Campus**

#### **Mondays and Wednesdays**

Temple Society Australia  
152 Tucker Road  
Bentleigh

## OUR TEACHERS

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Our teachers are all native or fluent speakers of German who engage in ongoing professional development.



## FURTHER INFORMATION

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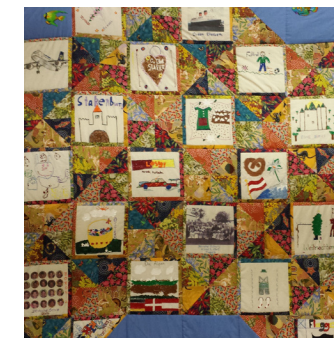
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# GERMAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL

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