

YEAR 9

Electives Handbook 2023

SUBJECT LIST

Domain: English	
English	Core
History in Literature	Elective
Domain: Mathematics	
Maths	Core
Domain: Science	
Science	Core
Extended Investigation	Elective
Forensic Science	Elective
Domain: Humanities	
Humanities	Core
Society, Power and Politics	Elective
Domain: Physical Education and Health	
Health and PE	Core
Domain: Languages	
Chinese	Core
Domain: Arts	
Media	Elective
Music	Elective
Visual Art	Elective
Visual Communication	Elective
Domain: Technology	
Food Technology	Core
Design Technology	Elective
Digital Technology	Elective

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS

ARTS

MEDIA

Media Studies explores the way in which the media industry constructs meaning to engage audiences in a range of media forms. These include: Film, Television, Print such as Newspapers, Radio, Social Media and Podcasting.

Future Pathways: VCE Media, VET Creative and Digital Media

Assessment:

- Written analysis of media
- An original production (such as film, photography, podcast or print production)

MUSIC

Music allows students to explore and develop practical performance skills on their chosen instrument as an individual performer and in ensembles. Students practise technical skills on their instrument, learn a range of songs through independent practise and ensemble rehearsal and perform to an audience.

Future Pathways: VCE Music

- Technical Exam
- Band Performance
- Song Interpretation

VISUAL ARTS

Visual Arts involves experimenting with materials, techniques and various technologies to express unique ideas through artworks. Students will be developing folios of work responding to various topics and ideas. You will be creating artworks using a wide range of materials while developing your knowledge around art elements and principles.

Future Pathways: VCE Visual Arts, VCE Studio Art

Assessment:

- Folio
- Final Artwork Presentation

VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN

VCD conveys ideas and information to an audience through visual language, it allows you to develop conceptual and aesthetic understandings about design solutions in the world around you.

Students will be planning and designing to a brief. You will create works in both traditional and digital mediums and develop your understanding of principals and elements

Future Pathways: VCE Visual Communication Design

- Folio
- Final Artwork Presentation
- Investigations

ENGLISH & HUMANITIES

HISTORY IN LITERATURE

History in Literature is an extension class that is designed for students who excel in Humanities and English. Students will gain a deeper understanding of world-changing historical events studied during Year 9 Humanities, including the Industrial Revolution and World War 1, by reading and analysing literature written during the historical time period. Students will read, view and analyse a variety of text types including novels, poems, non-fiction texts and film.

Future Pathways: VCE English, VCE Literature, VCE History

Assessment:

- Written responses and essay
- Presentation

SOCIETY, POWER & POLITICS

Society, Power and Politics is a subject that prepares students to study Politics and Legal Studies in the future. Students learn about how individuals, the media, and political parties gain power and influence in society as well as Australia's role and responsibilities in the region.

Students will learn about Australia and Victoria's court system and the different types of criminal and civil court cases. Students will also explore Australian politics and elections.

Future Pathways: VCE Legal Studies, VCE History

- Test
- Design your own Political Party
- Legal Case Study Analysis

SCIENCE

EXTENDED INVESTIGATION | SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Extended Investigation is a selective entry extension class where students will use the Scientific Method, and the Engineering Design Process to understand and solve problems.

Students will be designing and conducting a scientific investigation in an area of interest. They will explore how coders, engineers and scientists use different inquiry methods.

Future Pathways: VCE Sciences, VCE Mathematics, VCE Extended Investigation

Assessment:

- Logbook
- Scientific Poster
- Presentation

FORENSIC SCIENCE

Forensic Science draws on several branches of Science to provide evidence for the purposes of criminal (amongst other types of) investigations. Students will be building upon their knowledge of Biology and Chemistry to build DNA profiles, conduct a toxicology analysis, complete a crime scene report and explore a real-life case study.

Future Pathways: VCE Biology. VCE Chemistry, VET Laboratory Skills

- Test
- Laboratory Report
- Class Presentation

TECHNOLOGY

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Students will plan and manage projects from conception to realisation. You apply design and systems thinking and design processes to investigate ideas, generate and refine ideas, plan and manage, produce and evaluate designed solutions. Students will be Investigating, planning and building design work within a brief.

Future Pathways: VCE Product Design

Assessment:

- Mirror Design.
- Lamp Design
- Sustainability and Ergonomics task

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

Students explain simple data compression and why content data is separated from presentation. They take account of privacy and security requirements when selecting and validating data and use digital systems to analyse, visualise and model salient aspects of data. Students share and collaborate online, establishing protocols for the legal and safe use, transmission and maintenance of data and projects.

Future Pathways: VCE Applied Computing

- Design and evaluation of computer program
- Solution evaluations



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