

Yr 9 2024



GISBORNE

SECONDARY COLLEGE

Respect Achievement Innovation Diversity



Year 9 Program

CORE SUBJECTS

- English or English B*
- Mathematics or Numeracy*
- Humanities
- Science
- Health & PE
- RAID

*Based on teacher recommendations

SEMESTER BASED SUBJECTS

- You will need to choose 3 semester subjects for each semester
- There are 22 subjects to choose from
- You **MUST** include at least one **ARTS** subject and one **TECHNOLOGY** subject
- You cannot request the same semester subject twice, except for Languages (Indonesian or Japanese) as they are whole year subjects
- Each semester subject has 4 periods per cycle

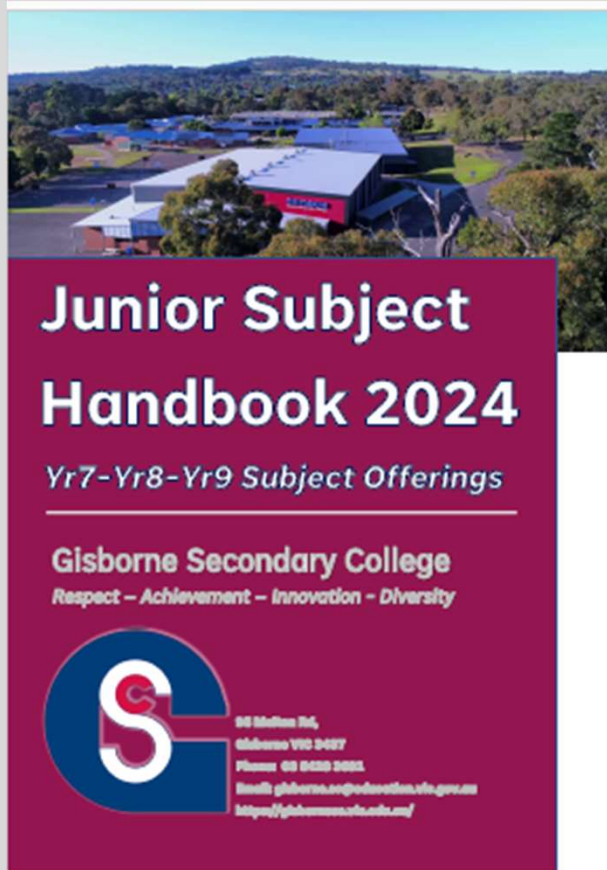


YEAR 9 2024 Semester Subjects

ARTS	TECHNOLOGY	OTHER
CERAMICS	AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY	LANGUAGE - INDONESIAN OR JAPANESE
DANCE	DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	LITERATURE
DIGITAL ART	DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY	RENAISSANCE HISTORY
DRAMA	ELECTRONICS	SCIENCE: EARTH IN OUR UNIVERSE
MEDIA	ENGINEERING	
MUSIC	FOOD TECHNOLOGY	
VISUAL ARTS	METAL TECHNOLOGY	
VISUAL COMMUNICATION	TEXTILES	
	WOOD TECHNOLOGY	



READ



Use the planning sheet

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SUBJECT PREFERENCE PLANNING SHEET
Year 8 into Year 9 2024

This is a planning sheet only and subject preferences need to be finalised using the online tool Edval Access WEBCODE and instructions will be emailed to parents/carers on Thursday, 27th July.

Student Name: _____ PREFERRED CAREER: _____

Students need to select SIX Semester Subjects in preferential order
Students must include one ARTS subject and one TECHNOLOGY subject
Note: LOTE (Indonesian or Japanese) counts as two subjects as they run for the whole year

MAIN (FIRST PREFERENCES) SEMESTER SUBJECTS

1	ART Subject
2	TECHNOLOGY Subject
3	Subject
4	Subject
5	Subject or LOTE
6	Subject (not required if LOTE has been selected)

Students need to choose FOUR reserve Semester Subjects
(Please choose carefully as you will be given these subjects if your first preferences are unavailable)

RESERVE SEMESTER SUBJECTS

1	Reserve Subject
2	Reserve Subject
3	Reserve Subject
4	Reserve Subject

	YEAR 9 SEMESTER SUBJECTS 2024		
	ARTS	TECHNOLOGY	OTHER
CERAMICS		AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY	LOTE-INDONESIAN
DANCE		DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	LOTE- JAPANESE
DIGITAL ART		DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY	
DRAMA		ELECTRONICS	LITERATURE
MEDIA		ENGINEERING	RENAISSANCE HISTORY
MUSIC		FOOD TECHNOLOGY	SCIENCE: Earth in Our Universe
VISUAL ARTS		METAL TECHNOLOGY	
VISUAL COMMUNICATION		TEXTILES	
		WOOD TECHNOLOGY	

Checklist

- I have completed this planning sheet with my parents/carers
- I have accessed the information provided in the Yr 9 Subject Information Session (Week 3)
- I have read the information about Yr 9 Semester Subjects in the Junior Subject Handbook 2024 available on the GSC website <https://gisbornesc.vic.edu.au/junior-school-years-7-9/course-handbooks/>
- I have completed my subject selections on Edval by Sunday 13th August (Week 5)

- Available on the GSC website: LEARNING>JUNIOR SCHOOL>COURSE HANDBOOKS





SUBJECT SELECTION PROCESS

- **Online Subject Selection opens Thursday 27th July**
Instructions and webcodes will be emailed to families that day
Go to <https://my.edval.education/login>
- **Subject Selection closes Sunday 13th August, 9pm**





SCIENCE: Our Earth in the Universe

Ms Norris

Year 9 Science Elective – Our Earth in the Universe



Year 9 Science Elective – Our Earth in the Universe

Subject description

- In this Science elective, students will explore the origins of our universe and where our own planet fits. They will learn about the formation of planets, solar systems and galaxies.
- Students will also explore how our planet differs from others and what the requirements for life (as we know it) are. They will look at the biodiversity of planet Earth and how our climate/conditions supports it.
- Students will gain an appreciation for the uniqueness of Planet Earth, its position within the universe and the evolution and extinction of life-forms throughout history.



Vic Curriculum Links

Scientific Understanding:

- Scientific understanding, including models and theories, are contestable and are refined over time through a process of review by the scientific community
- Advances in scientific understanding often rely on developments in technology and technological advances are often linked to scientific discoveries

Biological Sciences:

- The theory of evolution by natural selection explains the diversity of living things and is supported by a range of scientific evidence

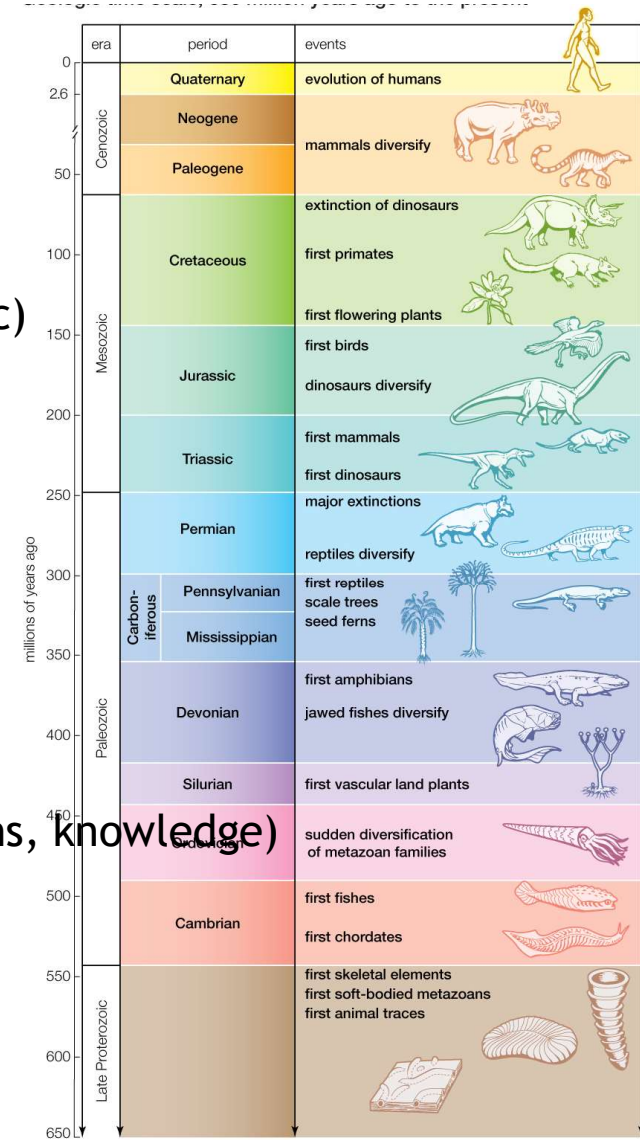
Earth and Space Sciences:

- The Universe contains features including galaxies, stars and solar systems; the Big Bang theory can be used to explain the origin of the Universe
- Global systems, including the carbon cycle, rely on interactions involving the atmosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere



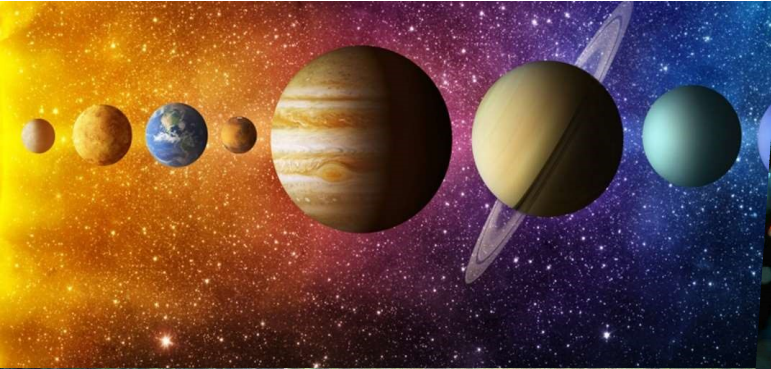
Time-line (19 weeks)

- 2 weeks - history of the universe (big bang, formation of galaxies etc)
- 2 weeks - formation of our solar system & Earth's unique position
- 2 weeks - early Earth - conditions & first life forms
- 3 weeks - Life and extinction of the dinosaurs - Mesozoic
- 3 weeks - Explosion of mammal life - Cenozoic
- 2 weeks - Time of Humans - Human endeavours in Science (inventions, knowledge)
- 3 weeks - Planet Earth as a life support system (Earth's spheres)
- 2 weeks - treats to Planet Earth - Climate Change & solutions





Our Earth in the Uni





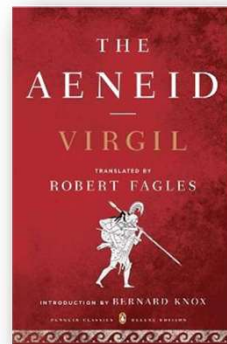
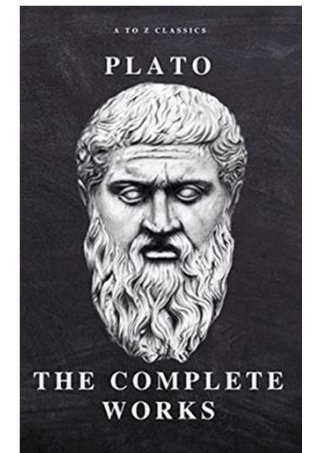
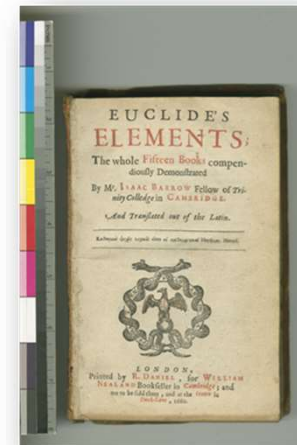
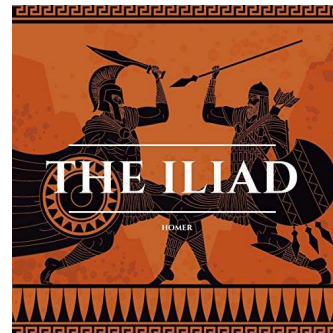
RENAISSANCE HISTORY

The birth of the Modern World

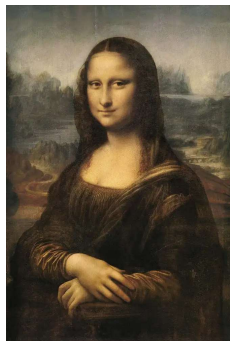
Mr Savvinos



Rediscovering the Ancient past



A revolution in Art



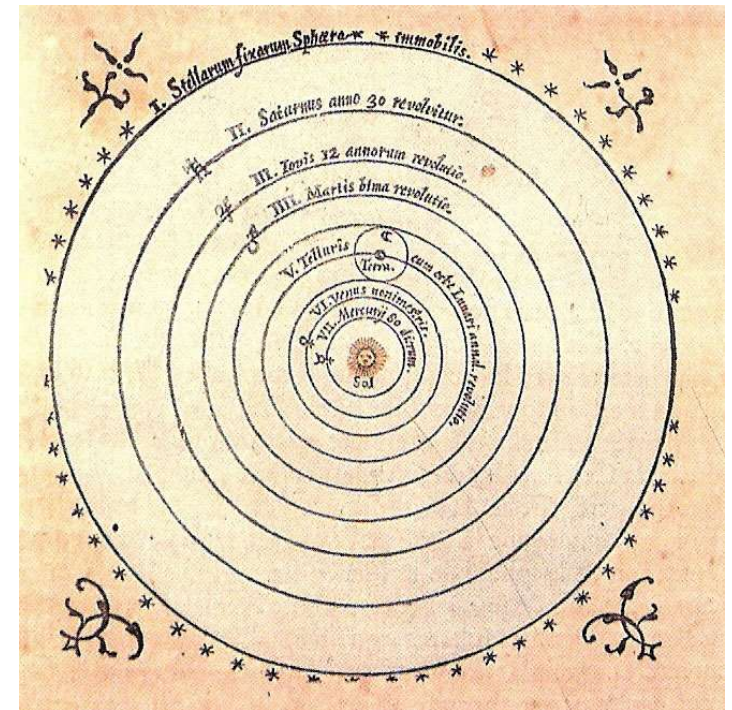
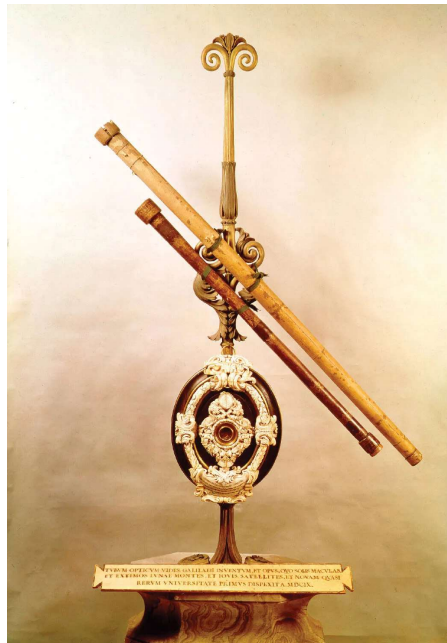
An information Revolution



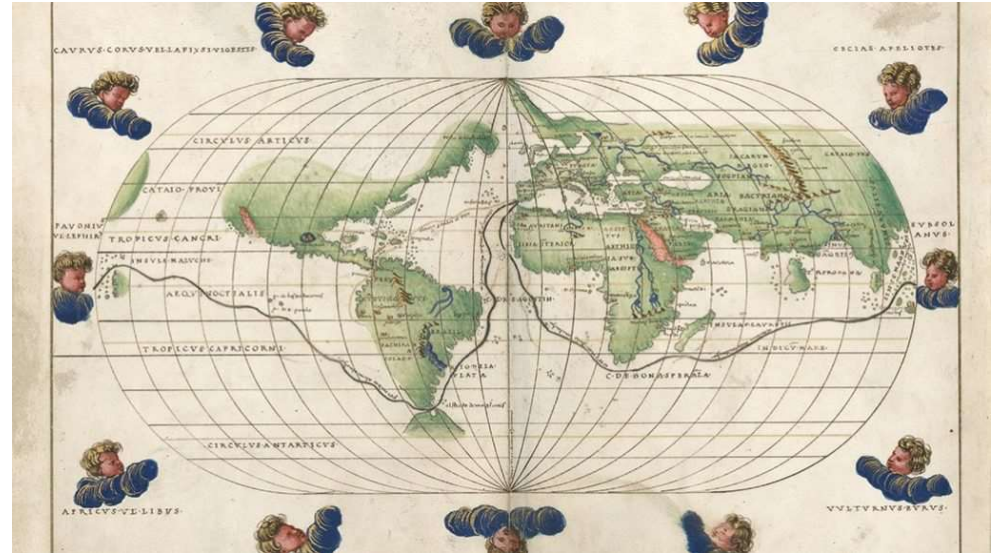
A Reformation of Religion



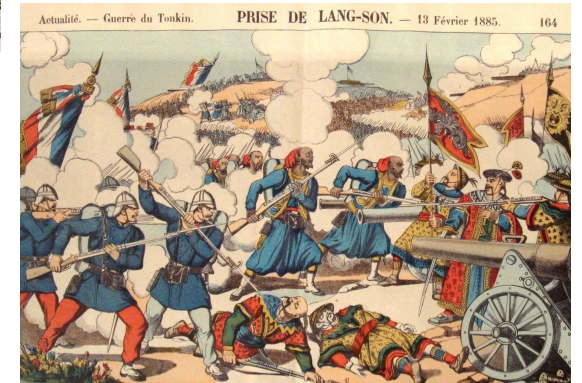
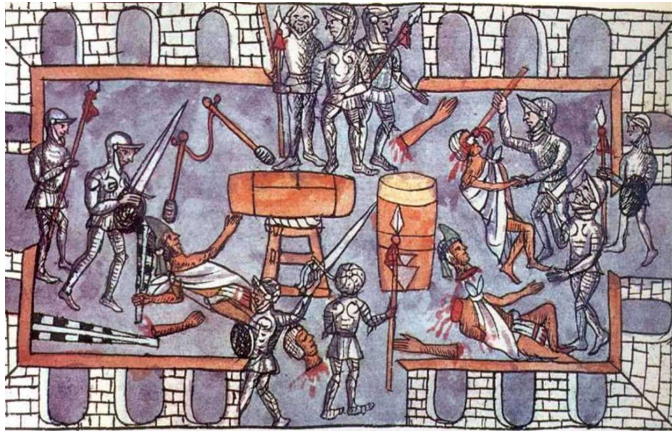
A scientific Revolution



An age of Exploration



And Conquest



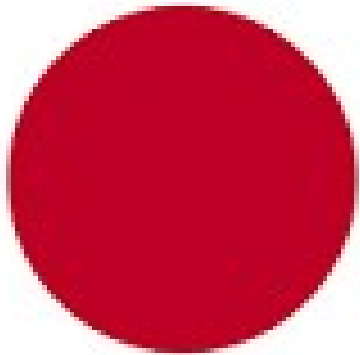
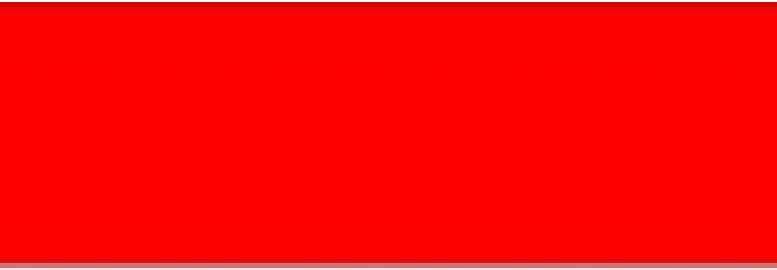
The Modern World is born





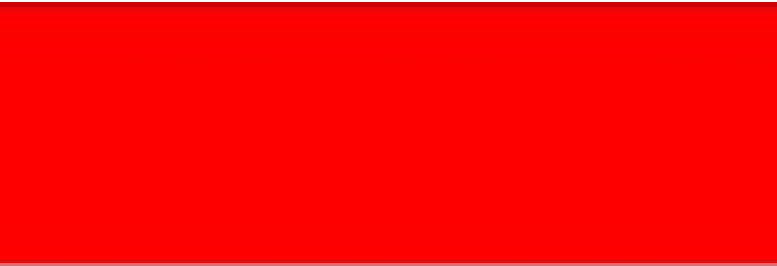
LANGUAGES

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LANGUAGES



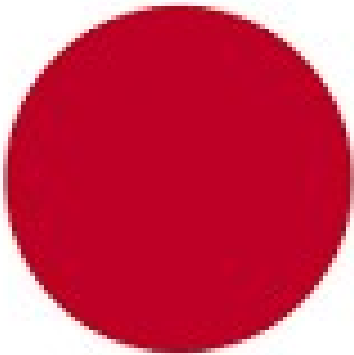


Why study languages?

Learning a language is helpful for:

- Brain Function
- Multi-tasking
- Careers
- Travel
- Cultural Understanding
- Global Relationships
- Academic Success
 - ATAR Boost

(Language studies typically scale up, for example in 2022 both Indonesian and Japanese received up to 8 extra points. Eg a score of 30 became 38)





What can I study?

At Gisborne Secondary College you have the choice to continue studying two languages.

They are:

- Indonesian
- Japanese

- There is also the possibility of studying a Language through the Victorian School of Languages (VSL) via distance education. Individual application required.

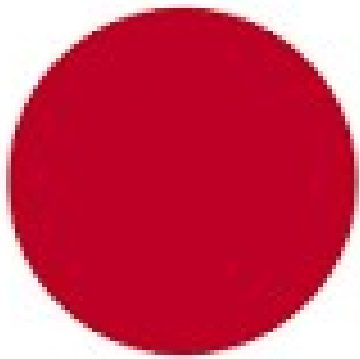




What will I learn?

- Indonesian:
 - Weather
 - Celebrations and Traditions
 - Travel and Food
 - Excursions
 - Melbourne Restaurant
 - Overseas
- Japanese
 - Japanese Homes
 - Japanese Schools
 - Seasons and Weather
 - Shopping and Going to a Restaurant
 - Excursion
 - Melbourne Restaurant
 - Overseas (proposed 2024 Japan Trip)

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Advice

Choose your electives for YOU not your friends.

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Make choices that will help you be happy and achieve your future goals.

For advice see:

Indonesian: Mr McNamara and Ms Ezzy

Japanese: Ms Quarrier and Ms King





THE ARTS

Ms Townsend

The Arts – Year 9

The Arts are made up of many different subjects, they fit into two different areas:

The Performing Arts

And

The Visual Arts





Performing Arts:

DANCE
DRAMA
MUSIC

Visual Arts:

CERAMICS
DIGITAL ART
MEDIA
VISUAL ART
VISUAL COMMUNICATION



PERFORMING ARTS





In Year 9 Dance you:

- Learn a class dance
- Improve dance technique in a variety of styles
- Choreograph a small group dance with friends
- Design costumes, lighting and makeup
- Write about choreography
- Perform at a Dance Showcase
- Possibly see a professional dance performance.





If you enjoy dancing or dance outside of school it is important that you take Year 9 Dance to prepare yourself for Year 10 &11 VET Dance and VCE Dance.

If you would like to try dance and you have little prior experience, don't be afraid we will help you build your technique in a variety of styles.

See Mr Hewitt for more information



DRAMA



In Year 9 Drama you:

Improve acting and presentation skills

- Projection
- Confidence
- Energy
- Focus

Create small group plays with friends

Write about your own plays and other theatre performances

Possibly go and see a live theatre performance





Year 9 Drama is a great subject for students who:

- enjoy writing and creating
- want to improve their confidence
- are interested in going on to VCE Drama

See Ms Townsend for more information





What do you learn in Year 9 Music?

You will learn about & create different types of music & explore how they are an essential part of our lives:



- In films
- In animation
- In video games





Year 9 Music is a great subject for students who:

- enjoy creating and playing music
- enjoy films, TV and video games
- want to learn about all types of sound and their production in radio, movies and video games
- are interested in going onto Year 10 Music, VCE Music and VET Music

See Mrs Skeen for more information



VISUAL ARTS



CERAMICS



In Ceramics you learn how to use clay for creating and making hand-built art works.

You will learn how to make pinch, coil and slab pots and how to enhance and embellish your work by experimenting with different clays and glazing techniques.

The course contains both theory and practical work.





If you are wishing to further your studies in the Arts, undertaking Ceramics at Year 9 will provide you with a strong foundation for Art Making & Exhibiting at VCE Level

See Mr Portley for more information





DIGITAL ART

This subject will take you through a variety of computer programs to create visual art and design on the computer.

This will involve manipulating photos, creating drawings and manipulating images on the computer.

Skills you will learn:

Use of software including Adobe Creative Suit

Creation of individual artworks/designs using ICT

Use of artists from the past and present to inspire your work.

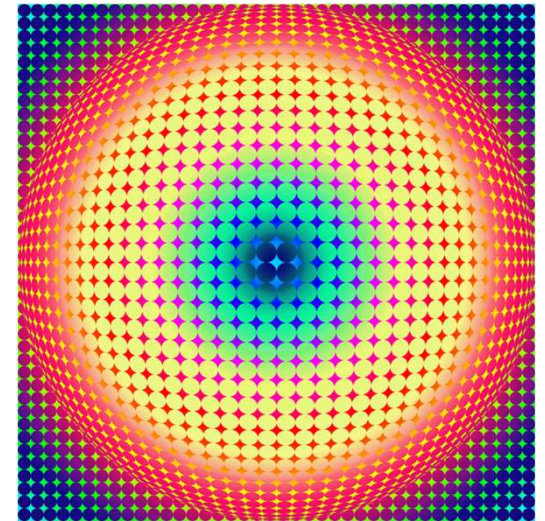


DIGITAL ART



Digital Art will give you the skills to improve your use of computers in a range of subjects including:

- Studio Art
- Media Studies & Visual Communication



See Mr Woodlock for more information





- Year 9 media studies is all about how we understand the visual stories we see everyday
- Students investigate different elements of narrative and how these work in different genres
- Students design and develop their own ideas using folio techniques
- Students work on the practical challenges of turning their ideas into final products
- Students work with digital SLR cameras and Stop Motion techniques.





If you are wishing to further your studies in Media, taking Year 9 Media will provide you with a strong foundation for Media Studies at Year 10 Media and VCE level

**See Mr Mortensen
for further information**



VISUAL ART

- In Year 9 Visual Art you will:
- Study how other artists make artworks
- Experiment with different painting and drawing media and techniques, including biro, charcoal, pastel and ink, water colour & acrylic paint
- Take inspiration from selected artists
- Discuss artworks and artists and what you think of their work



VISUAL ART



If you are wishing to further your studies in Visual Art-

- undertaking Year 9 Visual Art will provide you with a strong foundation for Studio Arts at Year 10 and VCE Art Making & Exhibiting

See Ms Phillips for further information





VISUAL COMMUNICATION

In Year 9 Visual Communication you will:

- develop your drawing skills for various areas of design
- learn how to use the design elements and principles to make your designs more interesting
- create a graphic design
- create a product design

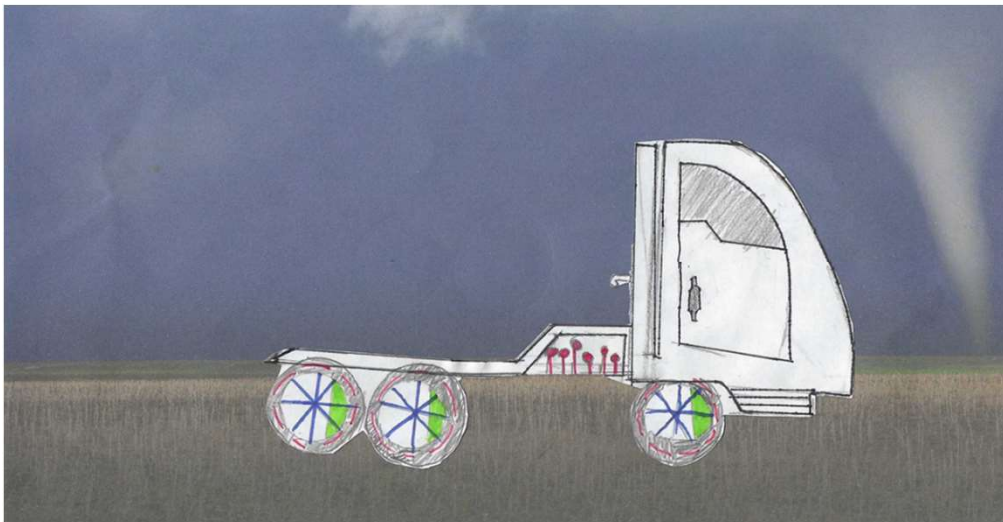




VISUAL COMMUNICATION

If you are wishing to further your studies in Arts and Design, Visual Communication Design will provide you with a strong foundation for VCE studies

See Ms Moore for more information

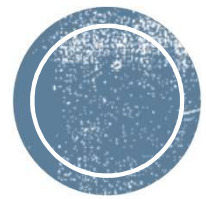


ECO CHARGING TABLES

Have you ever been stressed out because your phone/laptop is about to die just before an important meeting or presentation?
Eco Charging Tables will ensure that NEVER happens again!

With a solar panel table top, height adjustable bamboo legs & the ability to join more than 1 table together, these tables will suit any office space while also being environmentally friendly.
That's a WIN/WIN for everyone!





TECHNOLOGY

Mr Maxwell



TECHNOLOGY

- Automotive Technology
- Design Technology
- Digital Technology
- Electronics
- Engineering
- Food Technology
- Metal Technology
- Textiles
- Wood Technology

- For further information, go to the [Junior Subject Handbook 2024](#)





LITERATURE

Ms Angwin


REMEMBER:

**You must get your online subject
selections in by**

Sunday 13th August, 2023

Go to <https://my.edval.education/login>





General Questions? Who can you speak to?

Ms Moore

Ms Tate

Ms Armstrong

Ms Clarke



What is the RAID program?

- Whole year program focused on the values of Respect, Achievement, Innovation & Diversity.
- Fortnightly whole day activities are designed to maintain engagement in a year level experiencing great personal change.
- Builds social, problem solving, team work and other intangible skills such as independence, navigation, confidence, punctuality and maturity.
- Offers diverse experiences. Students are encouraged to try new things and may discover new interests.
- Gains fantastic feedback from providers, our local community, parents as well as past and present students.

