Year 10 2017
Information Night
Students please sit with your parents
Welcome

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CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Years 7 – 9  Middle School
Year 10  Introduction to Senior School
Year 11 – 12  VCE and IB Diploma
Structure of the evening

- Review of the year 9 program
- Outline of the year 10 program
- Outline of the Elective program
- How to choose the best program for you
- Completing the online ‘Web Preferences’ subject selection
- Specific elective and subject discussion with teaching staff
Year 9 Course Structure

- Core Subjects (common foundation)
- Electives (provide choice, and the ability to pursue talents and interests)
- CUE Program
The year 10 program:

- Provides for an introduction to Senior School
- Provision for more challenge and extension
- Elective program is extended
- Access to year 11 unit 1/2 subjects
- No unit in year 10 is a prerequisite for year 11
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Choosing the best programme

• What do you enjoy?
• What are you good at?
• What are you interested in?
• Balanced academic program;
• Breadth of knowledge and skills;
• Maximising your options at year 10 and beyond
Year 10 2017 Elective Subjects

**Group A**
- Art
- Drama
- Food Science
- Media
- Music: Performance & Styles
- Software Engineering
- Visual Communication Design

**Group B**
- Geography – The Blue Planet
- Geography – The Great Divide
- Literature
- Russian History
- Sports Science

Other: Languages & Year 11 Subjects (taken as 2 unit sequence)
- Chinese
- French
- Indonesian
Elective Guidelines

Group A (minimum 1 unit)
• Variety and experience for informed choices for year 11

Group B (minimum 1 unit)
• Variety and experience for informed choices for year 11

Other
• Languages
• VCE Units
Languages

- Must be taken for the whole year
- Count for 2 elective choices
- Continue as long as possible
- International Baccalaureate Programme Diploma (IBDP)
Year 11 Subjects: VCE Units 1/2

Count for 2 elective choices

Usually
- Units 1/2 in year 11 and Units 3/4 in year 12

Why?
- For the experience! Maybe an opportunity to accelerate

Who?
- Only for students with excellent year 9 results
- Strong academic average across all subjects in year 9
- Submit an application to study a Unit 1/2 subject
Administered by Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA)

- **VCE consists of semester units**
  - units 1 & 2 (year 11)
    - One or two unit 1/2 sequences are possible at year 10
  - units 3 & 4 (year 12)
    - One or two unit 3 / 4 subject may be possible at year 11

- **Satisfactory completion of at least 16 units over two years**
  - at least 3 units of English (English or English Literature 3 / 4)
  - at least 3 others at unit 3 / 4 level
6 subjects taken from 6 areas: English, LOTE, Science, Mathematics, Humanities, Arts

2 year course

Theory of Knowledge (ToK)

Extended Essay

Creativity, Action and Service (CAS)

Six subjects in year 11 and 12

3 taken at Higher Level

remaining subjects taken at Standard Level
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SUMMARY

• Consider all options and information
• Decide what you like and are good at
• Think about your strengths and abilities
• Workload, organisation, learning
• The best subjects for you are the subjects you choose
• Think about VCE/IB but focus on Year 10
Stages in the process

• Year 10 2017 Course Booklet
• Submit selections online (students will receive an email from ‘NO REPLY WEB PREFERENCES’ in the next 24 hours)
• Personalised application form for VCE Unit 1/2 subjects – available for collection this evening or from the Curriculum Office
• Print out your Subject Selection receipt – have a parent sign it and return to the Curriculum Office by FRIDAY AUGUST 5
• Elective options listed may not all be available due to timetable constraints
Important Year 9 dates this year

**Tuesday 2 August**  
- Parent, Teacher, Student Interviews

**Saturday 13 August**  
- Walkathon

**Tuesday 18 August**  
- Year 9 Hike Information Night

**Wednesday 31 August**  
- BIG EXPERIENCE Information Night

**Sunday 4 September – Friday 9 September**  
- Year 9 Extended Environmental Experience

**Wednesday October 19 – Friday October 21**  
- Year 9 End of semester 2 Exams