

# Year 8 into 9 Subject Selection

*Future pathways and the decisions that matter.*



# The Process

Students and families have received notification of the VIRTUAL SUBJECT EXPO website which provides access to the Junior Subject Handbook and specific subject information.

## **Week 2, Term 3**

Each student receives his/her User code and password for *Web Preferences* via email.

\*All students will be assisted through the process at school, during SEL, but can also access the system from home. Preferences can be changed up to five times in *Web Preferences*.

WEBPREFERENCES close 2 weeks later



# Web Preferences Access Guide



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## Student :

House:	Student Code:	105969
Year Level:	Home Group:	
Roll Class:		

The following steps outline how to enter your subject preferences online.

<b>1</b> <b>Internet Access</b>	You will need a computer with an internet connection and a printer.  We recommend using Google Chrome or Firefox.
<b>2</b> <b>Log In</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Click here to open Web Preferences</a></u></b>  Or Log In to <a href="https://www.selectmysubjects.com.au/student">https://www.selectmysubjects.com.au/student</a> using:  Student Access Code: <b>STM45-12035-1678977</b> Password: <b>C04B92</b>
<b>3</b> <b>Home Page</b>	To view your subject information click " <b>View Subject Details</b> " at the top right of the screen. To select/change your preferences, click " <b>Add New Preferences</b> " at the top right of the screen.
<b>4</b> <b>Preference Selection</b>	Select your subjects from the drop down lists, you have 30 minutes to do so. Once complete, click " <b>Proceed</b> ". Note: You are not finished yet.
<b>5</b> <b>Preference Validation</b>	If you are happy with your preferences click " <b>Submit Valid Preferences</b> " which will open your "Preference Receipt". Or if you would like to make changes to your preferences click " <b>Cancel</b> " and this will take you back to the Preference Selection page.
<b>6</b> <b>Preference Receipt</b>	You can print your "Preference Receipt" by clicking " <b>Open Print View</b> " and clicking " <b>Print Receipt</b> ".  To continue click " <b>Return to Home Page</b> ". If you want to change your preferences, repeat the process by clicking " <b>Add New Preferences</b> ", otherwise exit by clicking " <b>Log Out</b> ". End of steps.



# Important Dates

Once **Web Preferences** is closed, it really is closed. We need to have collected data from all students before starting to construct the timetable for the following year.

Delays in the entry of student preferences mean delays in the creation of the timetable for the whole school.

All students will take a copy of choices home to be signed by their parents—these need to be handed to Pastoral Mentors.



# Understanding Your Choices

- Some subjects are in **single Semester units** – this means that students can choose to do these subjects in either Semester One or Two (the computer will tell us when you are doing it so students cannot choose specific semesters).
- Other subjects are offered over the **whole year**. These subjects will be taught sequentially – if you were to change to a subject in Semester 2, that was for a whole year, without having done Semester 1 you will have missed a whole semester of skills in that subject.



# Year 9 Subject Choices

## **CORE SUBJECTS (whole year)**

RELIGION

MATHS

ENGLISH

SCIENCE

SPORT

SEL

## **(1 semester)**

HISTORY

HPE

**STUDENTS MAY CHOOSE 4 SEMESTERS OF ELECTIVES; THEY MAY BE MADE UP OF:**

2 X FULL YEAR SUBJECTS = 4 SEMESTERS OR

1 X FULL YEAR SUBJECT + 2 X SEMESTER SUBJECTS = 4 SEMESTERS OR

4 X SEMESTER SUBJECTS = 4 SEMESTERS



# Full Year Electives

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS	FULL YEAR SUBJECTS = 2 SEMESTERS
<p>If a student chooses to do a full year subject, they are committing to the subject for the whole year.</p>	Craft
	Visual Art
	Italian
	Japanese
	Drama
	Food Technology
	Digital Technology
	Music
	Graphics



# Semester Electives

ELECTIVE SUBJECTS	SEMESTER SUBJECTS = 1 SEMESTER
<p>If a student chooses to do a semester subject, they will be randomly placed in either semester one or semester two based on class sizes and subject choices available at the time.</p> <p>Class sizes will determine which subjects are offered – some may not get enough interest from the cohort.</p>	Craft
	Drama
	Music
	Visual Art
	Italian
	Japanese
	Food Technology
	Economics & Business
	Civics & Citizenship
	Digital Technology
	Graphics
	Geography
	Industrial Design & Technology
	Textiles





**FULL YEAR SUBJECTS = 2 SEMESTERS**

Craft

Visual Art

Italian

**Japanese 2 (x 2 semesters)**

Drama

Food Technology

**Music 1 (x 2 semesters)**

Digital Technology

**SEMESTER SUBJECTS = 1 SEMESTER**

Craft

Drama

Music

Visual Art

Italian

Japanese

Business & Economics

Civics & Citizenship

Digital Technology

Textiles(sewing)

**Graphics (Reserve 1)**

Geography

**Food Technology(Reserve 2)**

Industrial Design & Technology



**FULL YEAR SUBJECTS = 2 SEMESTERS**

Craft

Visual Art

Italian

**Japanese 2 (x 2 semesters)**

Drama

Food Technology

Music

Digital Technology

**SEMESTER SUBJECTS = 1 SEMESTER**

Craft

Drama

Music

Visual Art

**Italian 1**

Japanese

**Food Technology 3**

Business & Economics

Civics & Citizenship

Digital Technology

Textiles (sewing)

**Graphics (Reserve 1)**

**Geography (Reserve 2)**

Industrial Design & Technology



**FULL YEAR SUBJECTS = 2 SEMESTERS**

Craft  
Visual Art  
Italian  
Drama  
Japanese  
Food Technology  
Music  
Digital Technology

**SEMESTER SUBJECTS = 1 SEMESTER**

Craft  
Drama  
Music  
Visual Art  
Italian

**Japanese 3**

**Food Technology 2**

Business & Economics

**Civics & Citizenship 1**

**Digital Technology 4**

Textile Technology (sewing)

**Graphics (Reserve 1)**

**Geography (Reserve 2)**

Industrial Design & Technology



# What happens in Year 10?

In Year 10, students will choose two elective subjects for the whole year so it is important that Year 9 is used as a year to determine what you like to do and what you are good at.



# Remember...

- Year 9 and 10 are designed to provide you with an opportunity to experience subjects that you feel will lead you along your career pathway.
- It is important to consider what interests you and what you believe you can achieve success in.
- Do not choose subjects based on what your friends are doing as it is very rare that we end up on the same career pathway as our school friends.
- Classrooms are for learning; lunch time is for socialising!

