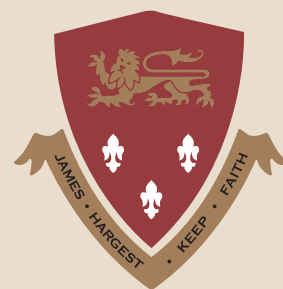
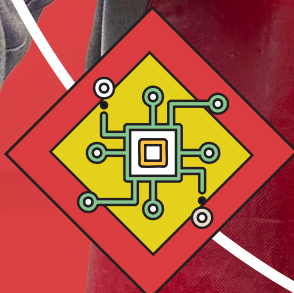
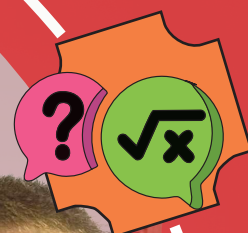


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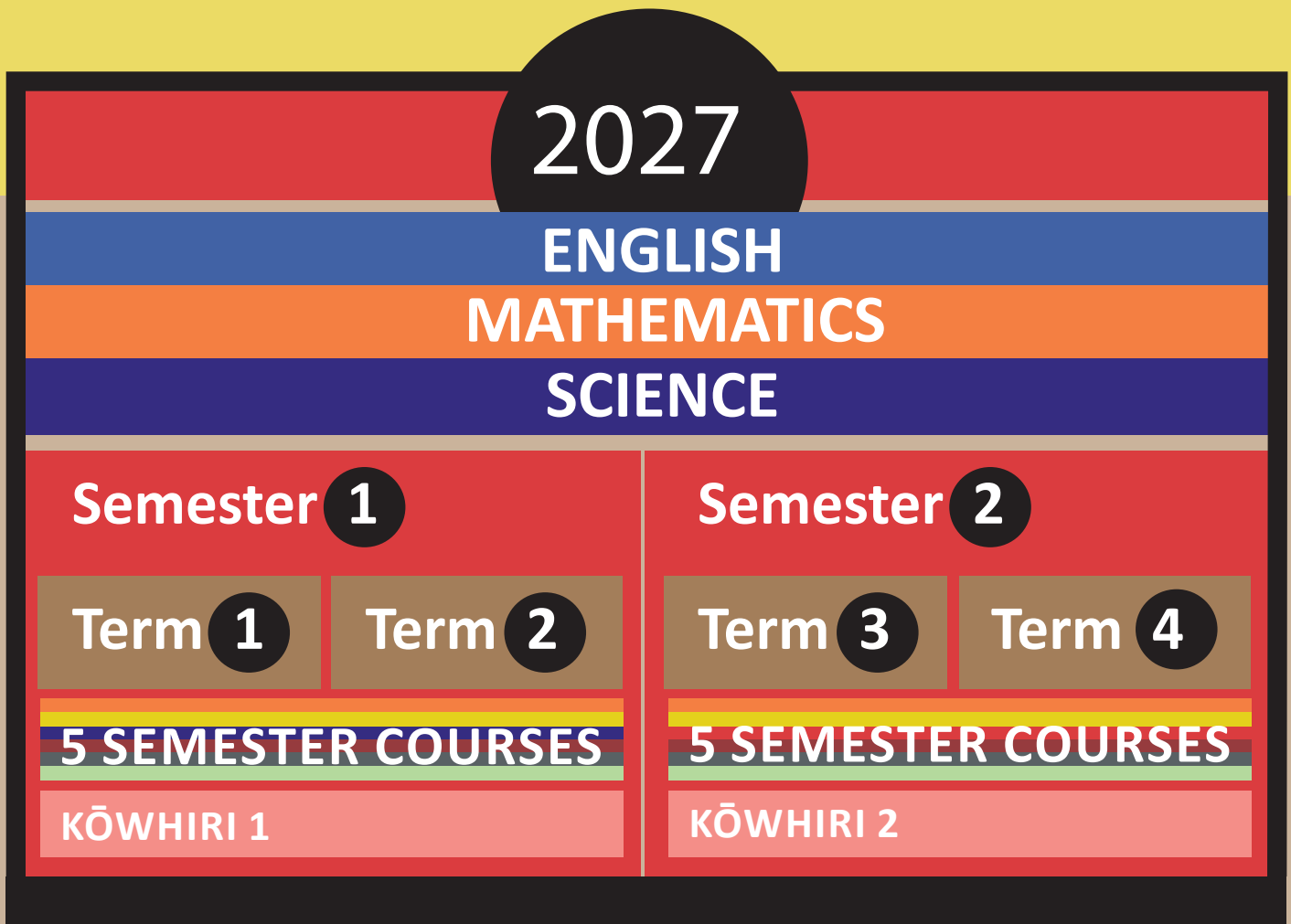
Introduction

Welcome to Year 9! Get ready to explore a wide range of subjects, develop essential skills in critical thinking and discover new passions and talents. This year is all about building a strong foundation for your future, both academically and personally. You'll explore a wide range of subjects, aimed to both challenge you and empower you as a learner. Your choices will create a timetable tailored to your specific needs and interests. Take the time to read all of the options and choose carefully. Your choices for Year 9 will help you provide the framework for your future success.

JHC Year 9 Curriculum 2027

Structure

- Semester courses - 8 classes per semester (two terms) of 3 x hours each week.
- Kōwhiri - 1 class 1 hour each week.
- Full year courses in Maths, English, Science.





FULL YEAR COURSES

ENGLISH *

MATHEMATICS *

SCIENCE

English has a
choice of 4 options.
Maths has a choice
of 3 options.

Science is the same
full year course for
all students.





Semester Choices

Semester 1

Semester 2

Term 1

Term 2

Term 3

Term 4

SOCIAL SCIENCES

* CHOOSE 2

ARTS

* CHOOSE 2

TECHNOLOGY

* CHOOSE 2

LANGUAGES

* CHOOSE 1

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

1 Compulsory Semester

* CHOOSE 1

BONUS SEMESTER

* CHOOSE 1

Social Sciences, HPE, Arts, Languages or Technology

KŌWHIRI

* CHOOSE 2



Learning Areas



In Year 9 you will study all 8 areas of the New Zealand Curriculum (English, the Arts, Health and Physical Education, Learning Languages, Mathematics and Statistics, Science, Social Sciences, and Technology). All 8 Learning Areas open the doors for future learning and enable you to develop a wide range of skills and knowledge. Studying a broad curriculum ensures you are well-equipped for diverse pathways. Each learning area offers unique knowledge, skills, and perspectives, helping you to develop a well-rounded understanding of the world.





English

* CHOOSE 1

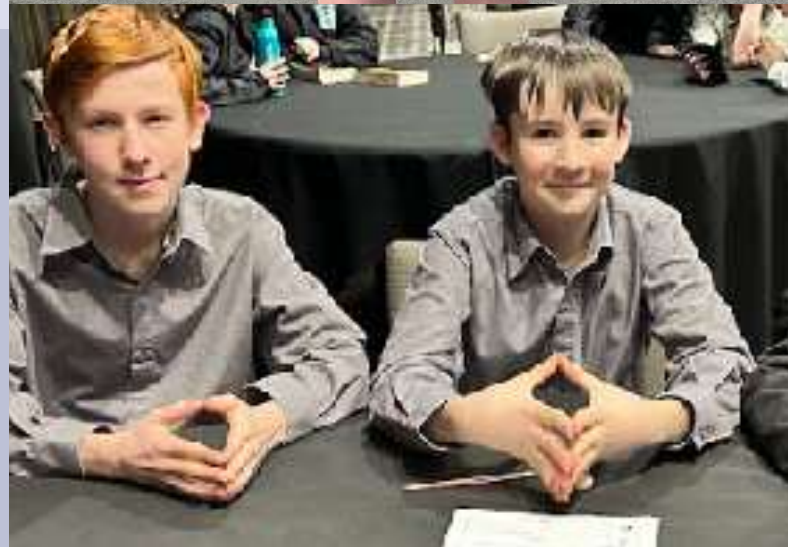
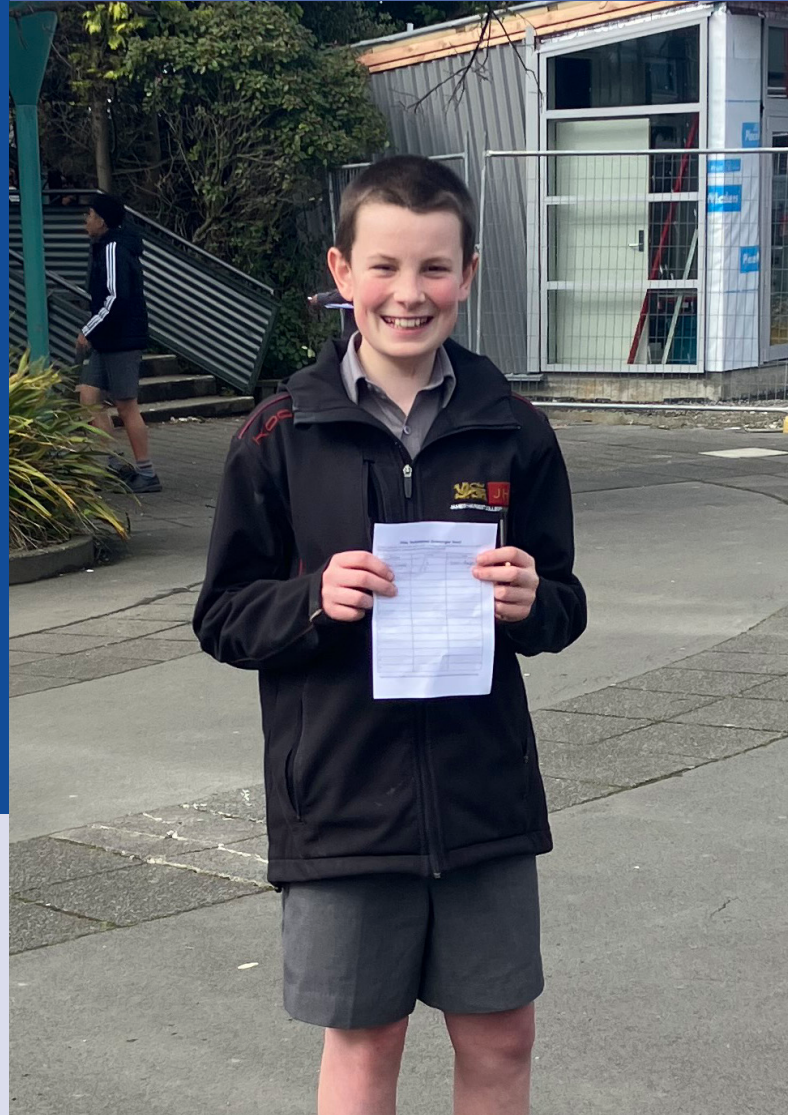
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- * Whenua/Earth
- * Hau/Air
- * Ahi/Fire

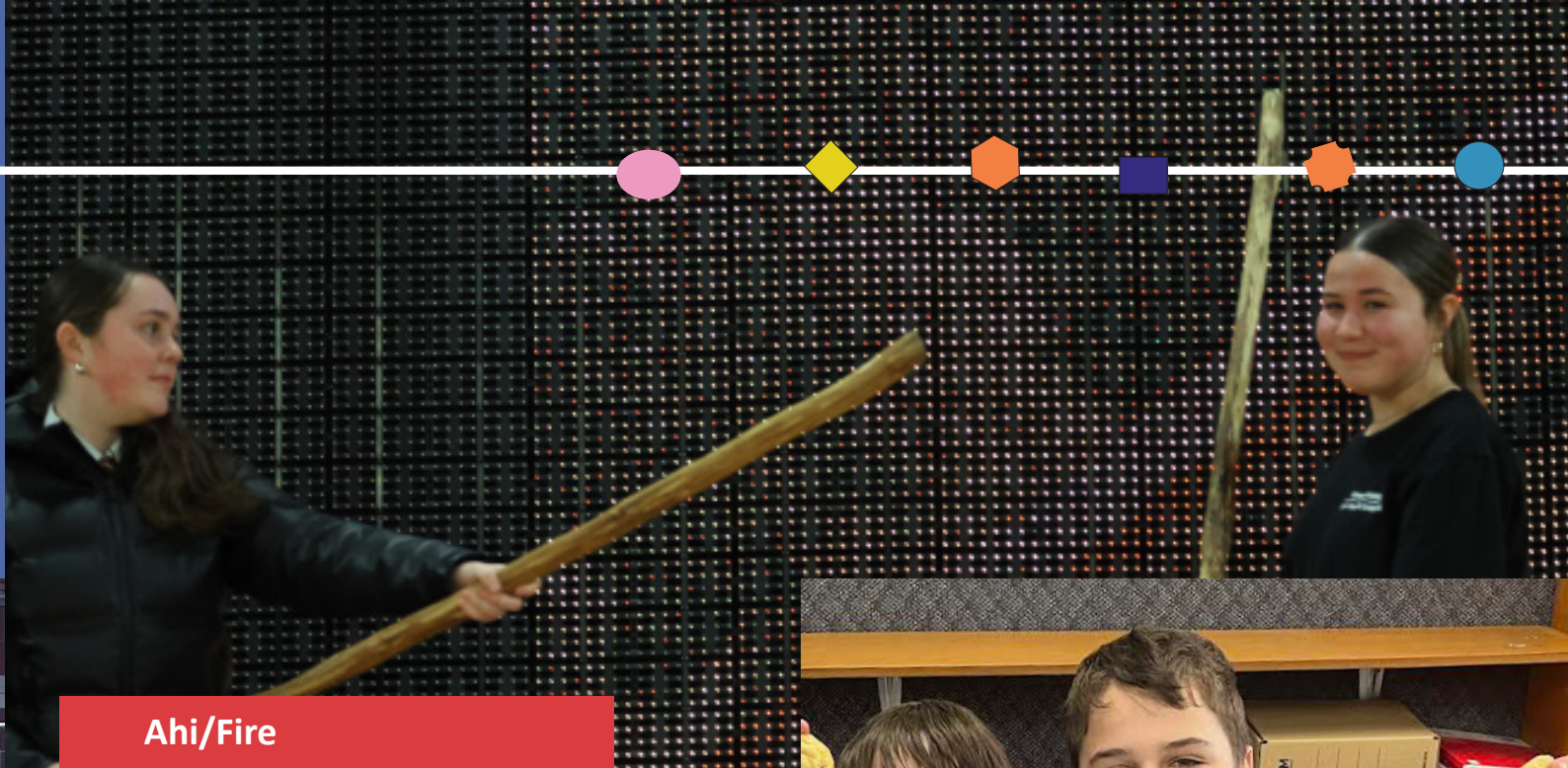
Wai/Water

- You want English skills to steer your waka in the real world.
- You need some help navigating your waka around some obstacles.

Whenua/ Earth

- You love the environment, nature, outdoors, and animals.
- You are interested in exploring texts that connect with the whenua/land and its mauri/ essence.





Ahi/Fire

- You are confident in English and want to learn about real-life issues and stories.
- You love reading and writing, academic learning and challenges.
- You have a passion/fire for learning and exploring texts.
- This course would feed very well into Cambridge if this is something you are interested in applying for in Year 10.

Hau/Air

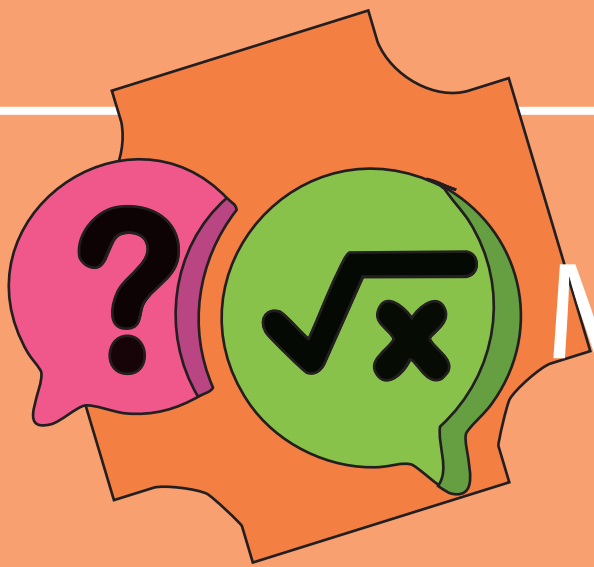
- You are confident in English and want to create and explore new worlds.
- You are interested in examining a wide range of texts that explore different points of view, cultures and worlds.
- You want opportunities to use your imagination and read fantasy fiction.
- This course would feed nicely into Cambridge English if this is something you are interested in applying for in Year 10.



1 My choice is:



Wai/Water	9EWA	☐
Whenua/ Earth	9EWH	☐
Ahi/Fire	9EAH	☐
Hau/Air	9EHA	☐



Mathematics

* CHOOSE 1

- * Aparima
(widening success)
- * Oreti
(focused success)

Aparima (widening success)

This course is designed to give students a strong start for higher-level Mathematics and possible Cambridge IGCSE opportunities at school. They'll master working with numbers, both with and without a calculator, and build essential algebra skills for complex topics later. The course covers important measuring skills, understanding different units, and spatial reasoning. Students will thoroughly study geometry, including shapes, angles, and transformations. They'll also learn to understand statistical graphs and critically evaluate information for bias and explore how mathematical relationships are shown visually through graphs and tables.

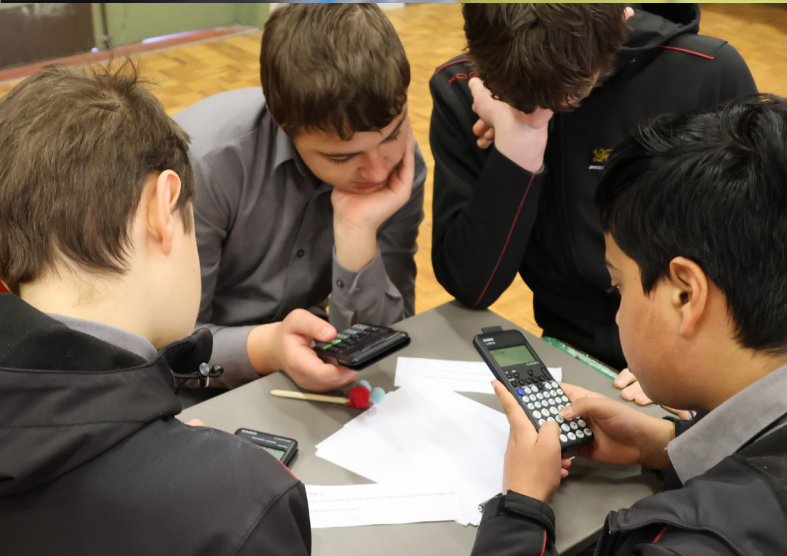
Cost:
Homework and workbooks approximately \$10

Oreti (focused success)

This course strengthens students' number skills, with or without a calculator. They'll expand their geometry and measurement knowledge, using these skills to solve practical problems that come up in real-world jobs and projects. Students will also delve deeper into understanding and interpreting statistics for planning and decision-making. The course builds solid probability skills, understanding the likelihood of events. This course emphasises applying maths and logical thinking to practical situations in daily work or when managing tasks.

Cost:
Homework and workbooks approximately \$10





1 My choice is:



Aparima Course

9MXA

Ōreti Course

9MXO



FULL YEAR COURSE

Uncover the inner workings of our world in Year 9 Science, a journey that takes you from the microscopic realm of atoms to the vast reaches of space. You will experiment with acids and bases, map out the building blocks of matter on the periodic table, and crack the secrets of electric circuits, forces, and motion. Along the way, explore how the solar system operates and dive deep into the science of living things—discovering how cells fight off disease and power life through photosynthesis and respiration. Through dynamic hands-on learning, this course transforms everyday curiosities into powerful scientific understanding.

Cost:
Workbook \$25

Units

- * What on Earth is Everything Made Of?
- * Chemical Secrets of Waihopai
- * Energise Murihiku: Power, Speed and Survival
- * Operation Planet Hop
- * Titiro Hōhonu - Take a closer look
- * Life in Southland: Who Lives Where—and Why?

Science



What on Earth is Everything Made Of?

How can we explain what makes up the world around us?

This includes knowledge of: Matter, atomic theory, Periodic Table, elements, molecules

Chemical Secrets of Waihopai

How can we tell when a new substance has been made?

This includes learning around chemical change, acids & bases, and the detection of common molecules.



Energise Murihiku: Power, Speed and Survival

This includes learning about: Electrical charge, circuits, energy, motion, forces, pressure

Operation Planet Hop

Why does the sky above Invercargill change, and what is our place in space?

This unit is an exploration of the Solar system

Titiro Hōhonu - Take a closer look

How do tiny cells keep us alive—and protect us from disease?

This unit explores the topics of cell structure and function, disease, immunity, and cellular processes

Life in Southland: Who Lives Where—and Why?

What determines which organisms can survive in a Southland ecosystem?

By looking close to home we will learn about the diversity of species living around us, ecosystem conditions including abiotic and biotic factors and interactions between organisms





* CHOOSE 2

- * Digging up the Past
- * Landmarks and Legacies
- * Masterpieces of Place
- * Money Moves
- * Seeds of Society
- * The Stories that Shape Us
- * Tika vs Teka (Truth vs Lies)



Social Sciences



Digging Up The Past

How do we know how people lived in the past?
What are some famous archaeological sites and how do they affect how people lived both then and now?

Possible contexts may include The Rift Valley, Stonehenge, the Great Pyramids of Giza, Machu Picchu and Moai on Easter Island.

Units include:

- Introduction to Archaeology
- Places Around the World
- Movement of the Pacific



Masterpieces of Place

Explore the different cultures that make up Southland through art, history, and stories of how people came to live here. You'll look at different points of view about our home and learn how to understand local art and buildings. This will help you see how people from many backgrounds have helped shape our amazing community in Murihiku.

Units include:

- Before the Treaty: Stories in Stone, Wood and Paint
- After the Treaty: New Faces, New Buildings, New Stories
- Southland Today: Colour, Culture and Celebration



Landmarks & Legacies

Explore the epic landscapes and legends of Aotearoa/ New Zealand through the eyes of Geography. Discover how our home has been molded and shaped by the hands of our ancestors and the earth itself. Take a look at our vast coastlines and giant mountains and the connection between Kiwi and the land.

Units include:

- How are landmarks shaped by the land and by people?
- How do people decide what to do with the land?
- What happens to the land because of people?



Money Moves

Discover how money works in Aotearoa NZ and how you can make smart choices. You'll learn fun and practical ways to earn, spend, save, and share money to look after yourself and others. We'll also explore how people in the past used resources and came up with clever inventions.

Units include:

- The money-go round.
- Southland Sparks: How local inventors and industries changed lives.
- The money game: Budgeting, banking, earning and spending.

Cost:

There may be a small cost for a write-on workbook or e-learning package of approximately \$10.



Seeds of Society

This course will compare both te ao Māori and te ao Pākehā (their world views), with other indigenous cultures. We will look at how they work with and care for whenua / the land. We will look at the impact of colonisation, the history of farming in Aotearoa and how we can learn from te ao Māori to better care for our whenua / land for future generations.

Units include:

- Mātauranga Māori - A holistic approach to whenua
- Farming in Aotearoa - The role farming has played in our history
- Where to from here? - Learning from indigenous cultures to future proof our whenua.



The Stories that Shape Us

We will explore how cultures and traditions are an important part of our world through food, festivals, sports, music and migration. You will look at case studies of people (heroes) both local and global, who have used their stories, their identity and their culture to help change the world. The myths, legends and origin stories from cultures such as Māori, Chinese, Egyptian and Viking may be studied.

Units include:

- Where legends begin
- Cultural echoes
- Crossroads

Tika vs Teka (Truth vs Lies)

Ever wonder if what you read or see online is real or fake? This course helps you become a “truth tracker” to figure out how information and culture spreads through the media. You’ll learn to spot misinformation and conspiracies, understand how cool online trends and influencers shape our lives, and discover the real impacts the media has on our world and the things we do.

Units include:

- Truth trackers: Conspiracies, Clickbait and Consequences
- What do you meme? Culture in the digital age
- Not as Seams: Influencers & Fast Fashion

My 2 choices are:

Digging Up The Past	9SOA	
Landmarks & Legacies	9SOL	
Masterpieces Of Place	9SOP	
Money Moves	9SOM	
Seeds Of Society	9SOS	
The Stories That Shape Us	9SOU	
Tika Vs Teka (Truth Vs Lies)	9SOT	



* CHOOSE 2

- * Making Music - Performance
- * Making Music - Composition and Songwriting
- * Musical Theatre Technologies
- * Drama - Play Production
- * Drama - Creating Theatre
- * Exploring Te Ao Haka
- * Dance - Let's Move
- * Photography, Design and Moving Image
- * Drawing and Painting
- * Printmaking and Sculpture

Arts



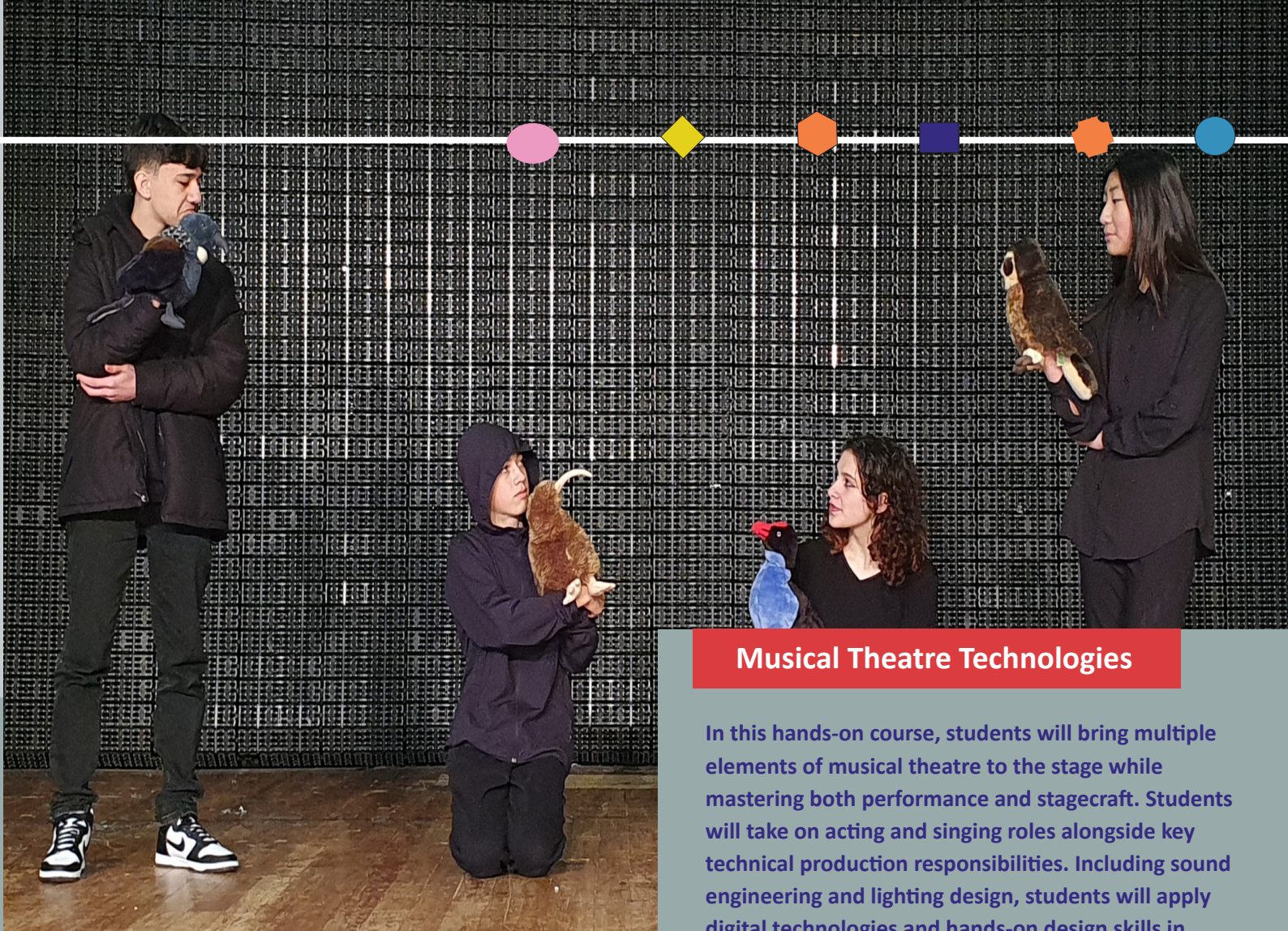
Making Music - Performance

Develop performance skills in music as a solo performer and in groups. There will be opportunities to learn a main musical instrument (including singing) as well as participating in a range of practical music activities. This course includes music theory and students are able to work at their own level.

Making Music - Composition and Songwriting

Create music through songwriting and using technology such as Garageband. You will learn how to use music technology to write film music and work together in groups to write songs.





Drama - Play Production

In this course, students will explore new worlds through a variety of dramatic texts and have the opportunity to perform in a play. They will develop their understanding of stagecraft, drama techniques and elements, and begin working with drama technologies. Students will engage in open script work and practice scenes building toward a final performance that may take the form of a whole class play or a selection of short plays.



Musical Theatre Technologies

In this hands-on course, students will bring multiple elements of musical theatre to the stage while mastering both performance and stagecraft. Students will take on acting and singing roles alongside key technical production responsibilities. Including sound engineering and lighting design, students will apply digital technologies and hands-on design skills in order to bring a piece of musical theatre to life.



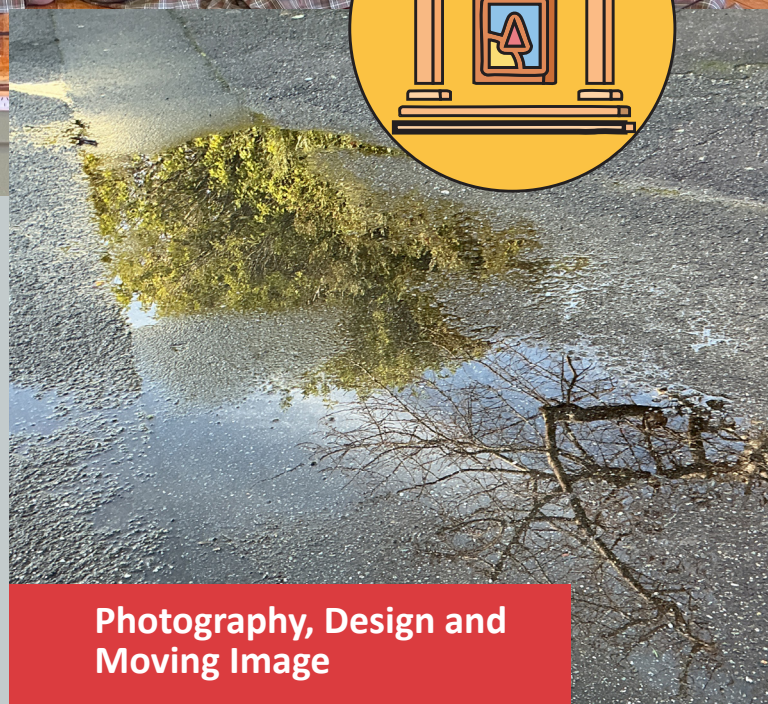
Drama - Creating Theatre

In this course, students will develop empathy by exploring different perspectives and creating their own theatre. They will build skills in devised theatre and improvisation, while deepening their understanding of drama elements and conventions. Students will practice creating short devised scenes and collaborate on group performances inspired by local or New Zealand history and Māori mythology.



Exploring Te Ao Haka

E ngā kaihaka e kaingākau ana ki te Mahi a te Rēhia, te Haka ā Tāne Rore, nei au e mihi ana ki a koutou. Perform and learn more about the actions, language, stories, and tikanga weaved into various waiata and haka. A primary focus is to develop mana in performance and increase knowledge and understanding of Māori Performing Arts. There will be opportunities for the students to participate in community events, building community rapport and developing confidence.



Photography, Design and Moving Image

Developing skills in Photography, Character Design and Film. We will be using Adobe PhotoShop, Character Animate, Premier Pro and After Effects to produce Character Design, Photography and Short Films.

Dance - Let's Move

In Year 9 Dance, students will explore the world of movement and creativity. This one semester course focuses on building strong foundations in safe dance practices, choreography, performance, understanding and talking about dance. Students will perform a range of dance genres and styles, learn to apply the Dance Elements to their own choreography, research, reflect and interpret different dance choreographers and their works to develop an understanding of how dance communicates meaning. Designed for students of all experience levels, this course encourages both beginners with a love of dance and experienced dancers to develop their skills and confidence.





Drawing and Painting:

Students will experiment with and develop a wide range of painting techniques using drawing and painting media. They will be looking at a range of subject matter and ways of producing art works. Students will produce a variety of workbook studies and resolved art works.

Printmaking and Sculpture:

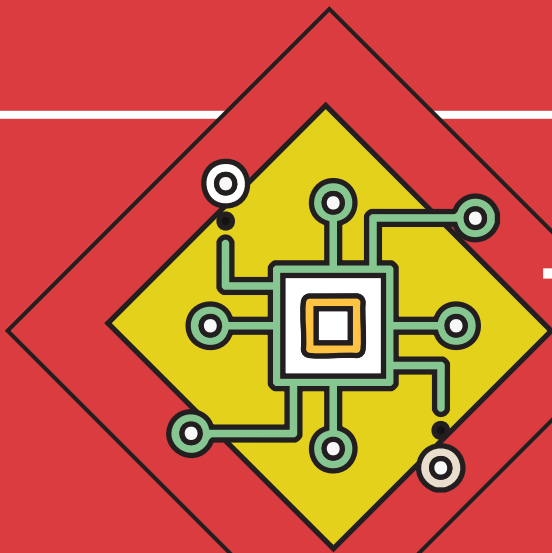
Students will create a body of art using a variety of Printmaking and Sculpture techniques. They will explore a wide variety of materials and processes, from Dry Point Etching, Collagraphy, Papier Mache, modelling with clay and other materials. Students will learn from local and international artists to push their creativity and elevate their artworks.



My 2 choices are:



Making Music - Performance	9MUP	☐
Making Music - Composition and Songwriting	9MUC	☐
Musical Theatre Technologies	9MTT	☐
Drama - Play Production	9DRP	☐
Drama - Creating Theatre	9DRC	☐
Exploring Te Ao Haka	9HAK	☐
Dance - Let's Move	9DAN	☐
Photography, Design and Moving Image	9ARP	☐
Drawing and Painting	9ARD	☒
Printmaking and Sculpture	9ARS	☐



Technology

* CHOOSE 2

- * Metal Skills
- * Wood Skills
- * Product Design
- * Architecture Design
- * Explore Create Innovate through Digital Media
- * Game On
- * Cultural Foods
- * My Food Bag - Whānau Kai
- * Streetwear Fashion
- * Design and Make it with Fabrics



Hard Materials Metal Skills

Students will learn new skills in engineering, making a small hacksaw and a personalised metal storage hook.

Areas covered:

- Design
- Computer Aided Design (CAD)
- Personalised storage hook using a computer-controlled metal-cutter (CNC Plasma-cutter)
- Skills in metalworking
- Introduction to metalworking machinery

Cost: \$25





Hard Materials Wood Skills

Students will learn new skills in woodwork, making a personalised small table:

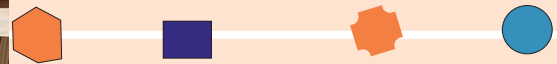
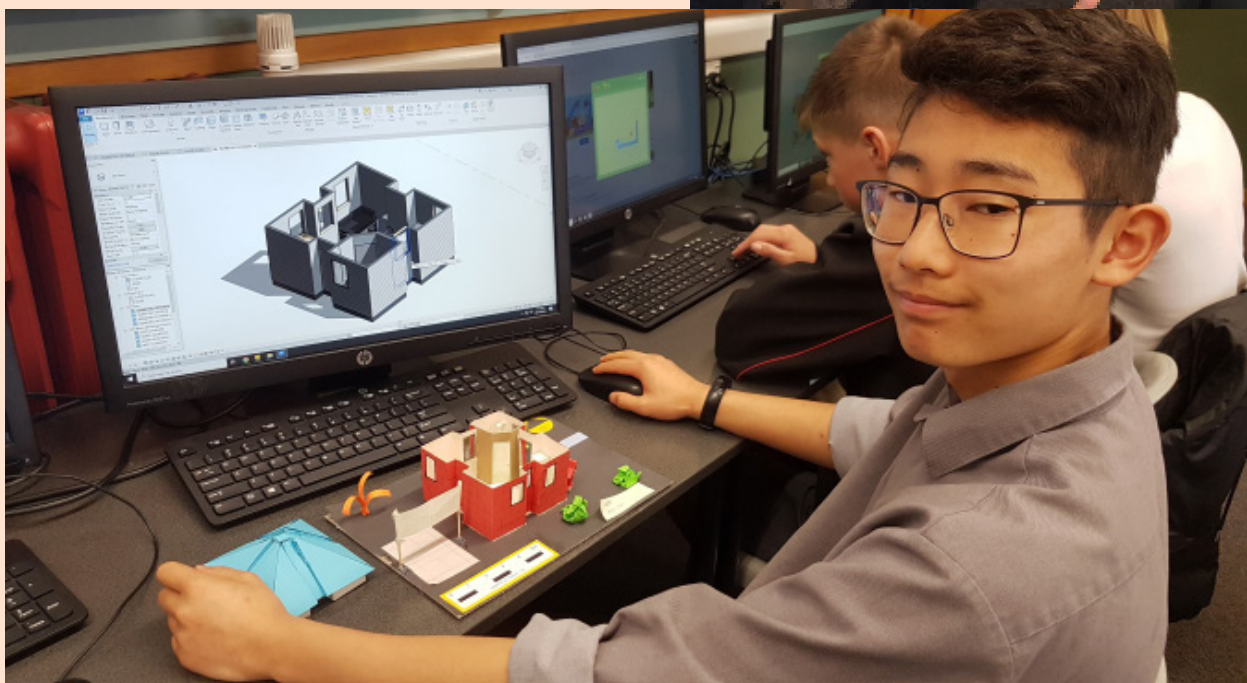
Areas covered:

- Design
- Computer Aided Design (CAD)
- Personalised table top, using a computer-controlled cutter (CNC Router)
- Skills in woodworking
- Introduction to woodworking machinery

Cost: \$45

Product Design

In this course you will learn computer (CAD) modelling techniques which you will use to create your own product design. You will then produce the CAD technical drawings of your design and make a 3D model.



Architecture Design

In this course you will design your own building (Whare). You will learn hand drawing techniques which you will use to create your own Architectural design. You will then create a 3D model and be able to explore different arrangements of the interior layout and colour scheme.



Explore, Create, Innovate through Digital Media

This course will help you master industry-standard tools including Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Animate, HTML/CSS, and Microsoft Excel. What you'll do: Bring your creative ideas to life by editing photo assets, crafting custom graphics, producing 2D animations, building websites, and managing creative project budgets. Learn how design, media, and practical data tools combine to produce a professional portfolio!

Key Projects:

- Custom Posters & Branding – Design event posters and unique brand logos using Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop.
- Vinyl Stickers – Create custom vinyl decals and stickers for Chromebooks, water bottles, and accessories.
- 2D Animation – Bring characters and visual stories to life using Adobe Animate.
- Websites – Plan, design, and code your own responsive website using HTML & CSS.
- Budgeting & Spreadsheets – Master Microsoft Excel to track project costs, manage resources, and handle data.

Skills you'll gain: Typography, color theory, layout composition, visual storytelling, 2D animation, website coding, project budgeting, and portfolio building.



Game On—Coding, Robotics & Arduino

This course is for the maker, coder, and problem-solver. Dive into the world of digital systems, where code, circuits, and logic come together.

What you'll do: Build and program interactive projects using Scratch, Python, LEGO Spike, and Arduino. Learn how sensors, LEDs, and motors work—and how to control them with your code!

- Hands-On Learning: From games to robots, you'll take on real challenges like programming a game, controlling lights, or making a smart bike.

Key Projects:

- Scratch Games – Build your own arcade-style game with scoring, levels, and logic.
- Flowlab Platformers – Create a side-scrolling platform game using level design and custom sprites.
- Robotics – Program LEGO robots to follow commands, respond to sensors, and complete tasks.
- Arduino Projects – Use breadboards and components to control lights, buzzers, or build a car indicator system.
- Minecraft with Code – Automate builds and create in-game challenges using Python or MakeCode

Skills you'll gain: Computational thinking, coding, robotics, teamwork, and a deep understanding of how digital systems work.

Cultural Foods

Join us on a tasty journey to explore and cook foods from a range of cultures! Along the way, learn about their traditions, customs, and what makes their food unique.

- Make and create dishes from around the world
- Research different cultures and explore their festivals through food
- Explore the benefits of eating seasonality
- Become a specialist in the food of a chosen culture
- Create a class recipe book
- Explore the concept of Kaitiakitanga
- Show Manaakitanga through the sharing of kai

Cost: \$120 for food consumed / taken home

My Food Bag - Whānau Kai

Come and join us to make delicious and healthy meals suitable for any whānau! You will learn how to adapt recipes, plan meals, and stick to a budget all while learning new cookery skills you'll be proud of.

- Design delicious meal plans for a family
- Use seasonal ingredients, and locally sourced foods to prepare meals
- Learn about nutrients and use this to select and prepare food to support wellbeing
- Produce a class recipe book fit for the whanau

Cost: \$120 for food consumed / taken home



Streetwear Fashion

Unleash your style! Learn how to create PJ pants, then make a hoodie or sweatshirt. Develop design ideas using fashion drawings to bring your creations to life.

- Explore design ideas through sketching and fashion drawings
- Learn how to use a commercial pattern
- Work with different fabrics and materials
- Get to know how to use the sewing machine and overlocker

Cost: \$15 for materials supplied

Design and make it with fabrics

Express your own style and individuality instead of being limited by what's on-line or instore! Make your own clothes, stuffed toys and on trend craft items. Discover ways of personalizing a design by adding hand or machine embroidered stitching and lettering, dyeing, printing images and drawing using the sewing machine. Accessorise with contemporary felting and weaving.

Cost: \$30 for materials supplied



My 2 choices are:



Metal Skills	9HMS	
Wood Skills	9HWS	
Product Design	9TPD	
Architecture Design	9TAD	
Explore Create Innovate through Digital Media	9DGM	
Game On	9GMO	
Cultural Foods	9CFS	
My Food Bag - Whānau Kai	9MFB	
Streetwear Fashion	9SWF	
Design and Make it with Fabrics	9TXT	



Languages

* CHOOSE 1

- * French A
 - the Starter Kit
- * Japanese A
 - the Starter Kit
- * Spanish
 - the Starter Kit
- * Te Reo Māori
 - the Starter Kit
- * French B
 - Diving into the Lingo
- * Japanese B
 - Diving into the Lingo
- * Spanish
 - Diving into the Lingo
- * Te Reo Māori
 - Diving Into The Lingo
- * Languages Around The World
- * ESOL - New Zealand knowledge
- * Literacy Support



French A: The Starter Kit

Students learn basic everyday expressions and phrases in French that enable them to begin communicating. Understanding basic cultural norms is incorporated into the lessons. Key subject content covered:

Language focus: All about me

- Je me présente
 - Greetings
 - Introductions: name, age, where I live
- Ma famille
 - My family
 - Pets
- Dans la classe
 - Classroom expressions
- Bon anniversaire!
 - Celebrating birthdays
 - Days of the week
 - Months of the year
- Quelle heure est-il?
Telling the time
 - Seasons
- Quel temps fait-il?
 - Weather

French B: Diving Into The Lingo

Diving into the Lingo is a continuation of the French Starter Kit where students will continue to learn key French language skills.

Entry Requirements:

Students should have studied the French Starter Kit or have basic French language knowledge.

Key subject content covered:

Language focus: More about me!

- Mes loisirs
 - Hobbies and leisure activities
- Chez moi
 - My house
- Les pays et nationalités
 - Countries
 - Nationality + languages
 - French speaking world (La Francophonie)
- Bon appétit!
 - Food: likes + dislikes
 - Talking about meals
- Ils sont comment? Describing people
 - Personality + physical appearance
- A l'école - At school
 - Subjects
 - School in France





Japanese A: The Starter Kit

Students learn basic everyday expressions and phrases in Japanese that enable them to begin communicating. Understanding basic cultural norms is incorporated into the lessons.

Key subject content

- Hiragana Alphabet
 - Learn all 46 letters
 - Read & write sentences in Japanese

Topics:

- Greetings & Introductions
- Numbers
- Colours
- Numbers & Ages
- Classroom Objects
- Classroom Commands
- Family
- Animals
- Food
- Days of the week & weather

Japanese B: Diving Into The Lingo

Diving into the Lingo is a continuation of the Japanese Starter Kit where students will continue to learn key Japanese language skills.

Entry Requirements:

Students should have studied the Japanese Starter Kit or have basic Japanese language knowledge.

Key subject content

- Learning the Katakana alphabet
 - Learn to write your name in katakana
 - Be able to read and recognise katakana words

Developing on the topics studied in Japanese A:

- Greetings & Introductions
- Family & Pets
- The Classroom
- Dates & Birthdays
- Countries & Nationalities
- Describing People
- School Subjects
- Leisure Activities
- Describing Your Home
- Talking about Meals

Spanish A: The Starter Kit

Students learn basic everyday expressions and phrases in Spanish that enable them to begin communicating. Understanding basic cultural norms is incorporated into the lessons.

Key subject content

- Saludos - Greetings and Introductions (Pepeha)
- Como estas? -Asking how you are
- Los colores - Colours
- Numeros - Numbers and age
- Animales y mascotas - Animals
- Mi familia - Family
- La comida - Food
- Los días de la semana y el tiempo - Days of the week & weather
- La clase 1 - The Classroom: objects, commands



Spanish B: Diving Into The Lingo

Diving into the Lingo is a continuation of the Spanish Starter Kit where students will continue to learn key Spanish language skills.

Entry Requirements

Students should have studied the Spanish Starter Kit or have basic Spanish language knowledge.

Key subject content

- Yo - Greetings and Introductions
- Mi familia y mascotas - Family and Pets
- La clase 2 -The classroom
- Fechas y cumpleaños - Dates and birthdays
- Países y nacionalidades - Countries and nationalities
- Que te gusta comer- Liking/Disliking meals and food
- Nos describimos - Describing people
- Las asignaturas - School subjects
- En mi tiempo libre - Leisure activities
- Mi casa - My house





**Te Reo Māori A:
The Starter Kit
Te Reo Māori Essentials -
*Whakatō te kākāno***



**Te Reo Māori B:
Diving Into The Lingo
Advancing in Te Reo Māori -
*Tipu te Māhuri***

Students learn basic everyday expressions and phrases in Te Reo Maori that enable them to begin communicating. Understanding basic cultural norms is incorporated into the lessons.

Key subject content

1. Te whakahuatanga / Pronunciation
2. Ngā Tae / Colours
3. Ngā Tau / Numbers
4. He Mihi / Greetings and Introductions
5. Kei te pēhea koe? / How are you?
6. Ngā Hunga o te whānau / Family members
7. Ngā rā o te wiki / Days of the week
8. Ngā marama o te tau / Months of the year
9. Te wā me te huarere / Time and weather
10. Culture - Te Tiriti o Waitangi

Diving into the Lingo is a continuation of the Te Reo Maori Starter Kit where students will continue to learn key Te Reo Maori language skills.

Entry Requirements:

Students should have studied the Te Reo Maori Starter Kit or have basic Te Reo Maori language knowledge.

Key subject content

1. Te Akomanga / The classroom
2. Te Kainga / The Home
3. Matariki / The Māori new year
4. Whakatauki and Kīwaha / Proverbs and Idioms
5. Powhiri / Rituals of encounter
6. Intermediate vocabulary - further extending your language
7. Wetereo - Grammar
8. Mastering the Māori Way
 - Research and present on influential figures (tangata rongonui) in Māori history.

ESOL

Students learn to communicate confidently in everyday, community, and social situations. They build reading fluency and learn to write various types of texts. ESOL helps students connect with social and academic opportunities in Aotearoa New Zealand, while supporting their sense of identity and cultural understanding.

Entry Requirements:

This class is for learners for whom English is an additional language.

Languages Around the World

Key subject content

- Exposure to Languages & Cultures from the world such as Arabic, Chinese, German, Indonesian, Italian, Samoan, plus any that your classmates research.
- Research a language/culture of your choice.
- Read and watch legends/folktales from various cultures.
- Practical Competitions - making traditional outfits or a famous structure from newspapers or the likes.



Literacy Support

Literacy provides assistance for students at Year 9. Students are identified by assessment data or referral from teachers or parents/caregivers. Literacy provides resources and support for students who find reading and/or writing tasks challenging. Some students may also receive individual assistance outside the classroom. The aim of the programme is to improve students' reading and writing skills and to foster a positive attitude towards learning.



Choose 1 :



French - the Starter Kit	9FSK	
Japanese - the Starter Kit	9JSK	
Spanish - the Starter Kit	9SSK	
Te Reo Māori - the Starter Kit	9MSK	
Languages Around The World	9LAW	
ESOL - New Zealand Knowledge	9ESL	
Literacy Support	9LIT	



Health & Physical Education

**SEMESTER ONE
COURSE**

Compulsory

Foundations of Health
& Physical Education
Te Hanga Turanga

**Foundations of Health &
Physical Education**
Te Hanga Turanga

Foundations of Health and Physical Education is a compulsory Semester 1 subject, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to gain experience in both Health and Physical Education. Students participate in 3 classes per week, giving them the chance to learn a range of movement and interpersonal skills.

Physical Education will focus on movement skills, fitness, adventure based learning and social responsibility. Health Education will focus on communication skills, relationship and sexuality education and well-being.



SEMESTER TWO

* CHOOSE 1

- * Health & Physical Education 2
Hauora me te ako tinana
- * Moving well - Living Well Korikori Tinana
- * Sports Education
Mātauranga Hākinakina
- * Health Education
Mātauranga Hauora

Health & Physical Education *Hauora Me Te Ako Tinana*

This option continues with a Health and Physical Education programme that builds upon and further develops concepts covered in the foundation course (see Semester 1). Physical Education will extend the concepts covered in Semester 1, using a range of contexts which may include Movement; Challenge, Invasion, Striking, and Sport Science. Health Education will also extend the concepts covered in Semester 1. This course is for those students who want to experience a broad range of Health and Physical Education opportunities, rather than a semester that focuses on a particular aspect of Health and Physical Education. The emphasis would be on the continued development of a broad skill base.

Moving well - Living Well *Korikori Tinana*

This option is designed to help students understand how to enhance their well being with a focus on physical and mental growth. Content includes anatomy, the benefits of exercise on hauora (wellbeing), basic sports nutrition, stress management, fitness and fitness testing, and goal setting.

Sports Education *Mātauranga Hākinakina*

The course is a mix of classroom and gym based work. This course looks at the history of sport as it has evolved into what we know it today. It considers games from different cultures, the roles of coaches, officials, the use of technology, and investigate the role that sport plays in our society in the past and present. Practical work applies this in various games alongside specific sport instruction and setting up an in class or interclass competition where students will take the roles of coaches, players, and officials.

Health Education *Mātauranga Hauora*

This option would be for students wishing to further develop their knowledge and understanding of health and wellbeing. Content may include: stress management, hauora/wellbeing, mindfulness, relationship and sexuality education, mental health, decision making, communication, strategies for managing personal health, and societal health issues. This semester would be primarily classroom based with some physical activities as appropriate.

1 My choice is:



Health & Physical Education - Semester Two	9HP2	
Moving well - Living well - Korikori Tinana	9HPM	
Sports Education - Mātauranga Hākinakina	9HPS	
Health Education - Mātauranga Hauora	9HPH	



Bonus semester



Social
Sciences



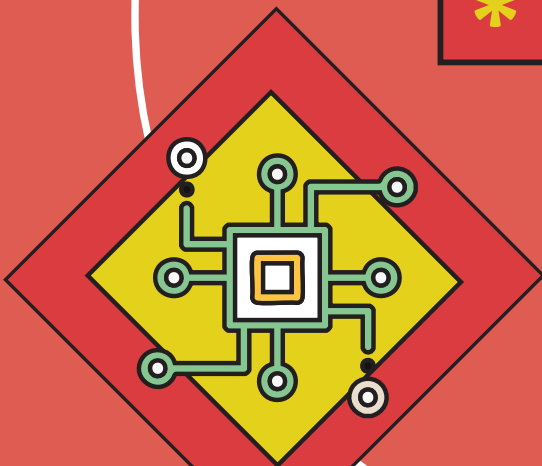
Arts



HPE



Languages



Technology

* CHOOSE 1

Choose something you have not already chosen!

1 My choice is:



Social Sciences

Digging Up The Past	9SOA	
Landmarks & Legacies	9SOL	
Masterpieces Of Place	9SOP	
Money Moves	9SOM	
Seeds Of Society	9SOS	
The Stories That Shape Us	9SOU	
Tika Vs Teka (Truth Vs Lies)	9SOT	

Arts

Making Music - Performance	9MUP	
Making Music - Composition and Songwriting	9MUC	
Musical Theatre Technologies	9MTT	
Drama - Play Production	9DRP	
Drama - Creating Theatre	9DRC	
Exploring Te Ao Haka	9HAK	
Dance	9DAN	
Photography, Design and Moving Image	9ARP	
Drawing and Painting	9ARD	
Printmaking and Sculpture	9ARS	

Technology

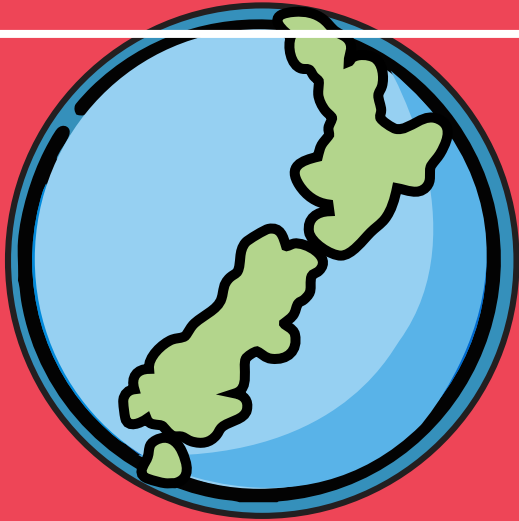
Metal Skills	9HMS	
Wood Skills	9HWS	
Product Design	9TPD	
Architecture Design	9TAD	
Explore Create Innovate through Digital Media	9DGM	
Game On	9GMO	
Cultural Foods	9CFS	
My Food Bag - Whānau Kai	9MFB	
Streetwear Fashion	9SWF	
Design and Make it with Fabrics	9TXT	

Languages

French - the Starter Kit	9FSK	
Japanese - the Starter Kit	9JSK	
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Te Reo Māori - the Starter Kit	9MSK	
Languages Around The World	9LAW	
ESOL - New Zealand knowledge	9ESL	
French - Diving into the Lingo	9FDL	
Japanese - Diving into the Lingo	9JDL	
Spanish - Diving into the Lingo	9SDL	
Te Reo Māori - Diving Into The Lingo	9MDL	
Literacy Support	9LIT	

HPE

Health & Physical Education - Semester Two	9HP2	
Moving well - Living well - Korikori Tinana	9HPM	
Sports Education - Mātauranga Hākinakina	9HPS	
Health Education - Mātauranga Hauora	9HPH	



* CHOOSE 2

- * Beginner Level
New Zealand Sign
Language
- * Careers Exploration
- * Enviro Action
- * Everything Digital!
- * Literacy Extension
- * Literacy Essentials
- * Living in Aotearoa
- * Marine Science



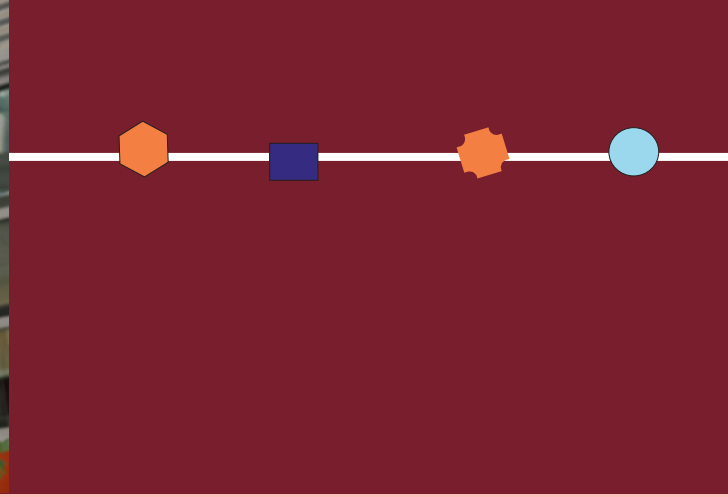
Kōwhiri

Kōwhiri - to select, pick, choose, elect.

An exciting addition to our Year 9 Curriculum is our selection of Kōwhiri courses. Our Kōwhiri courses are designed to support your learning.

You are encouraged to choose the course that best suits your academic goals. Kōwhiri courses run once a week for a semester.

- * Numeracy Extension
- * Numeracy Support
- * Science Fair Year 9
- * Social Science Fair
Year 9
- * Sports Performance
and Enhancement



Beginner Level New Zealand Sign Language

This course will cover aspects such as the alphabet and signing names, the role of facial expressions, home and family vocabulary and deaf community etiquette.

Careers Exploration

Connect your strengths with potential career paths and to develop the knowledge and confidence to pursue them.

Enviro Action

Passionate about the environment and keen to learn how you can make a difference? Enviro action looks at how we can make things better.

Everything Digital!

Build your kete of everything digital! Master file management, spreadsheets, digital design, and online citizenship—learning practical strategies and dabbling in different software packages used in the real world.

Literacy Extension

This course will focus on extending reading, writing, speaking and critical thinking skills through engagement with classic and modern literature and ideas to help you bring out your unique voice.

Literacy Essentials

If you struggle with aspects of reading, writing and comprehension, this course could be the one for you.

Living in Aotearoa

Learn about culture in Aotearoa New Zealand and what makes us kiwi. Grow your confidence in basic te reo Māori, learn more about tikanga, and the impacts of migration on Aotearoa.

Marine Science

Driven by a deep passion for understanding how the ocean works, this course is designed for students who truly care about marine science. You will need good literacy and numeracy to engage with scientific texts and data, but above all, we are looking for genuine enthusiasm, real commitment, and minds ready to think critically and dive right in.

Numeracy Extension

Develop your understanding of numeracy in the real world with complex numerical challenges.

Numeracy Support

This course is recommended for those who struggle with elements of numeracy such as number knowledge.



Science Fair Year 9

If you are a keen scientist who wants to work on your Science Fair project, this course gives you time and support to create something special.

Social Science Fair Year 9

If you are a keen social scientist who wants to create your own Social Science Fair project, this course gives you time and support to create something special. Runs in Semester One only.

Sports Performance and Enhancement

Develop your understanding of how to enhance what you do in your chosen sports. A mix of practical and theory components to support your goals.

My 2 choices are:



Beginner Level New Zealand Sign Language	9KSL	
Careers Exploration	9KCE	
Enviro Action	9KEA	
Everything Digital!	9KED	
Literacy Extension	9KLX	
Literacy Essentials	9KLS	
Living in Aotearoa	9KA0	
Marine Science	KMS	
Numeracy Extension	9KNX	
Numeracy Support	9KNS	
Science Fair Year 9	9KSF	
Social Science Fair Year 9	9KSS	
Sports Performance and Enhancement	9KSP	

My back ups are:

English _____

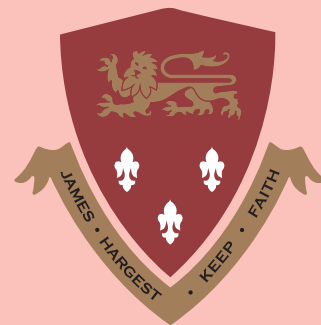
PE _____

Social Sciences _____

Arts _____

Technology _____

Languages _____



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all our students to create
the best possible future
for themselves and their
world.