

2019
Year 9-10
Electives



*Strength Through
Understanding*

Arts

Semester One

Printmaking – Silk Screens & Stencil Art

Ever wondered how multiple copies of artworks were reproduced before photocopiers and computers? Wondered how graffiti artists create their amazing street art? Welcome to the world of the printmaker and stencil artist. Explore printmaking techniques using stencil and silk screen techniques to create multiple works of art on canvas, T-shirts, fabric, furniture.....whatever you choose! Look at today's printmakers and their workshop practices, or explore the history of printmaking and its many uses throughout history.



Painting and Drawing- Visual Art

What's your style? Abstract, realistic, expressionistic, surrealist or graffiti? In this unit, we experiment with a range of artistic styles influenced by the work of other artists from different times and places. You get to choose the subject matter which best expresses your interests and individuality or communicates your beliefs and values. Experiment with media such as charcoal, dry pastels, oil pastels, inks, watercolours or acrylic paint. Discover ways to critically evaluate your work and the work of other artists.



Music and Sound Production-Arts-Music

In this unit, students will write, perform and record their own songs. Students will gain an understanding of the techniques and procedures available for song writing and be introduced to the technology available in the production, recording and performance of music. Students need to be able to play a musical instrument. This unit is advised (but not essential) if considering undertaking VET Music.



Arts

Semester Two

Papercraft & Mixed Media- Visual Arts



You may use paper every day for writing or printing on, but artists, animators and advertisers transform it into spectacular works of art using a variety of amazing techniques. Explore a variety of papercraft techniques to create sculptures, masks, puppets, kites, decorative vases, bowls trays, jewellery, gift cards, wrapping paper, screens or lamps, the choice is yours! Investigate papercraft techniques used by artists today, as well traditional methods used by a range of cultures.



Lino Block Print Design-Visual Arts- Printmaking



First used in the early 20th century by the German Expressionists such as M.C. Escher and Henri Matisse, this type of relief printing gives you a bold, dynamic outline and a variety of textures. Learn the difference between reduction printing and multiple block printing, printing press and brayer. Experiment with hand colouring to create cards or devise interesting T-shirt, cushion or fabric designs.



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Technologies

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Gourmet Cake Baking- Food Technology

In this unit students will learn essential baking and decorating techniques from the initial creaming, whisking and blending to the finishing decorative touches such as piping rosettes, sugar frosting flowers and coating leaves with chocolate. Students will prepare a diversity of cake types from rich layered gateaux to traditional cakes; glazed fruit flans to melt in the mouth chocolate cakes.



World of Food Café- Food Technology



Students will study a wide variety of national cuisines including those which have had a significant impact on Australian food patterns. They will develop an understanding of how climate, availability of ingredients and lifestyles influences the types of foods prepared by people in other countries.

This unit will focus on recipes identified with countries throughout the world and why they are popular.

Basic Furniture Construction- Wood Technology

This unit aims to extend students basic skills and knowledge in research, design and construction. Students are given the opportunity to creatively design and construct projects from different design briefs. Students are instructed on the correct use and care of all tools used in this area of study; including electric belt and orbital sanders, scroll saw, wood planes, saws, wood lathes, bench grinders, drill presses.



Creative Glass Creations-Metal Technology

This unit aims to introduce students to using different glass in creative ways to product an end product. Students will develop new and exciting skills from 'hands on' experience using a range of equipment. In this unit, students learn how to measure and cut glass accurately according to their own personal designs, using a glass cutter and glass grinder. Creative glass is where both clear and coloured glasses are cut, joined by lead and soldered together to make windows, lampshades, panels, terrariums etc. A variety of tools are used in this process. Students will be expected to focus on the safety aspects involved when using these potentially dangerous materials.

Technologies

Semester Two

Back in time for Dinner- Food Technology

In this unit you will be stepping back in time starting in the 1950's and preparing typical meals from each decade until the present time. This unit is a great introduction to VCE Food Studies as the focus for the theory sessions will be on topics such as the impact on migration on Australian cooking, food subcultures in contemporary Australia and the influence of Australian chefs and recipe books on Australian cooking. The unit will also include the influence of Australian Indigenous foods on our eating patterns today.



Celebrate with Food- Food Technology



In this unit you will investigate the challenges involved in planning and providing interesting and healthy meals for a range of different occasions. Firstly you will investigate the food of France that has contributed much to food preparation and techniques. Then you will investigate the influences on decision making in food selection and the requirements for safe and healthy food when catering for other people. You will also investigate the celebrations around the world and prepare some of food items involved in these celebrations.

There will be a focus on working with design briefs to achieve solutions to design brief challenges. A major emphasis of this unit will be on the presentation and garnishing of the food items.

Advanced Furniture Construction- Wood Technology

These units aim to introduce and extend students basic skills and knowledge in Research, Design and Construction. Students are given the opportunity to be creative and original in their design ideas.

Students will be instructed in the correct use and care of a range of hand and power tools. They are encouraged to use different materials in their products which can include different timber types (pine, jarrah, etc.), glass and metals.

Some product ideas include: Shelving Units, Bedside Cabinets, Small Tables, Entertainment Units, Chest of Drawers.



Basic Welding and Small Engines- Metal Technology

This unit aims to introduce students to welding and small engines. Students will develop new and exciting skills from 'hands on' experience using a range of equipment. It will involve joining different metals together using arc and mig welders, brazing using oxyacetylene and riveting techniques. Unusual and



innovative shapes can also be curved or twisted using metal craft tools to create functional or decorative pieces.

Exploring two-stroke engines will entail disassembling and reassembling an engine to examine its working parts. A variety of tools are used in this process. In both areas students will be expected to focus on the safety aspects involved when using these potentially dangerous tools.

Humanities

Semester One

Issue in Law- Commerce

The purpose of the law is to protect individuals and to make clear the rights and responsibilities of individuals.

Many issues within in our society create spirited discussions regarding the appropriateness of the law and its ability to cope with the changing ideas and needs of society.

For each issue we look at:

- The current and proposed law
- The purpose of the law
- The conflict or dilemmas faced
- Conflicting attitudes

Some of the issues we could look at include same sex marriage, euthanasia, reducing the legal driving age or shark culling.



Food for Thought – Geography (new unit in 2019)



Food Facts. It might surprise you to learn that....

-Of the 50 000 edible plants in the world, just 15 species provide 90 per cent of the world's food!

-Three types of plants – wheat, rice and corn – make up over half of all food eaten each year - and they are all types of grass! Yum!

This new unit will allow students to investigate the Biomes and Food Security strand of the middle school Geography course. Our key questions will guide us through an exploration of the many factors that contribute to successful food production; the main threats to food security in the world and the search for solutions for universal food security. Food miles, bizarre foods, food waste and food fads will be considered in this new unit, along with the opportunity to undertake fieldwork at local food production sites. Get the lowdown and prepare yourself to work in one of the many employment opportunities in the food and fibre industry.

Japanese language- LOTE

In this 9/10 elective, students will study daily routines, school life, and how young people spend their leisure time. It will also cover careers and part-time jobs. The study of Japanese culture will be embedded in topic focus, with a strong emphasis on speaking, listening, reading and writing in Japanese.



Humanities

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So you want to run your own business- Commerce



This unit is designed to give students an understanding of what is involved in running their own business. Students cover the theoretical aspects of business operations before planning and potentially operating their own school based business. They also participate in the operation of the school's lavender farm. This includes picking and drying flowers, distilling oil, manufacturing lavender products and selling them.

It's a Small World- Geography- (new unit for 2019)

Never in the history of the world have we been so connected to the rest of the world's population. Instant messaging to instant noodles...it's all about interconnections. This new unit will explore the links that we have developed with the rest of the world through expanding social media, commerce and travel. We will explore how our choices as consumers can affect the quality of life of people and the environment in other parts of the world. Ecotourism, food miles, fair trade, connection speeds, free-trade and 'free-to-good-home' are just some of the terms that you will learn about in our quest to understand how people and places around the world are connected. So, get connected! Join us for this amazing investigation.



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