

# Subject Selections

2023 into 2024

Parent Information Evening Tuesday July 25th  
8 into 9 and 9 into 10 6pm-7pm  
10 into 11 and 11 into 12 7pm-8pm  
Brigidine Centre

Web Preferences close  
**Friday Aug 4**

## Acknowledgement of Country

I begin this evening by acknowledging the Djab Wurrung people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet tonight, and pay my respects to their Elders past and present. I extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today.

# Prayer: St Brigid

St Brigid Mary of Ireland,

Ask for us all today.

The Courage to do God's bidding, whatever the world may say.

The Grace to be strong and valiant.

The Grace to be firm and true.

The Grace to be faithful always,

To God, His Mother and You.

# Introductions

Mrs Carmel Barker:- Principal

Mr Stephen East:- Assistant Principal, Student Pathways & Organisation

Mr Matthew Summers:- Assistant Principal, Learning and Teaching

Miss Steph Saravanja:- Assistant Principal, Wellbeing

Ms Alex Abela:- Assistant Principal, Staff Development

## Introductions cont..

Ms Debra Glasson:- Head of Religion

Mrs Dani Smith:- Head of Applied Learning

Mr Paul McLoughlan and Mrs Megan Shea:- PEAT HUB

PE, Arts, Technology

Mrs Stephanie Mansell and Mrs Christine Bulger:- CAL HUB

English, Humanities

Ms Susan MacPherson and Mr Ryan Casey:- STEM HUB

Maths, Science

# Introduction

For the past twelve months the school has operated on a 5 (one hour period) day.

We have increased the amount of face to face time across key learning areas from Years 7-12.

The school has focused on improved literacy and numeracy, not only in Math and English but all subject areas.

We have also altered programs to allow term based subjects to have more time weekly for students to engage in deeper learning.

<b>YEAR 12</b>	VCE	5 Subjects	Plus Religion	Nb. If student has completed a Unit 3&4 subject in Yr 11 then 4 subjects and a study line in Yr 12. Nb. Individual negotiations based on individual circumstances may allow a student who has not completed a Unit 3&4 in Yr 11 to only complete 4 in Yr 12.
	VM	4 Strands	VET	Plus Religion



<b>YEAR 11</b>	VCE	5 Subjects	Plus Religion	Nb. This can include a Unit 3&4 subject
	Vocational Major	4 Strands	VET	

**YEAR 10**

**Core Subjects**

Religion	2 periods	All year
Maths	4 periods	All year
English	4 periods	All year
Science	4 periods	3 terms
Humanities	4 periods	3 terms
PE	2 periods	All year

**6 Elective choices for the year**

PE	4 periods
ART	4 periods
Technology	4 periods
Science	4 periods
Humanities	4 periods
Mandarin	4 periods

English

NO ELECTIVE CHOICES ARE COMPULSORY

**Nb. If a student in Year 10 chooses to study a Unit 1&2 subject this will replace 4 of their 6 elective choices.**

**YEAR 9**

**Core Subjects**

Religion	2 periods	All year
Maths	4 periods	All year
English	4 periods	All year
Science	4 periods	3 terms
Humanities	4 periods	3 terms
PE	2 periods	All year

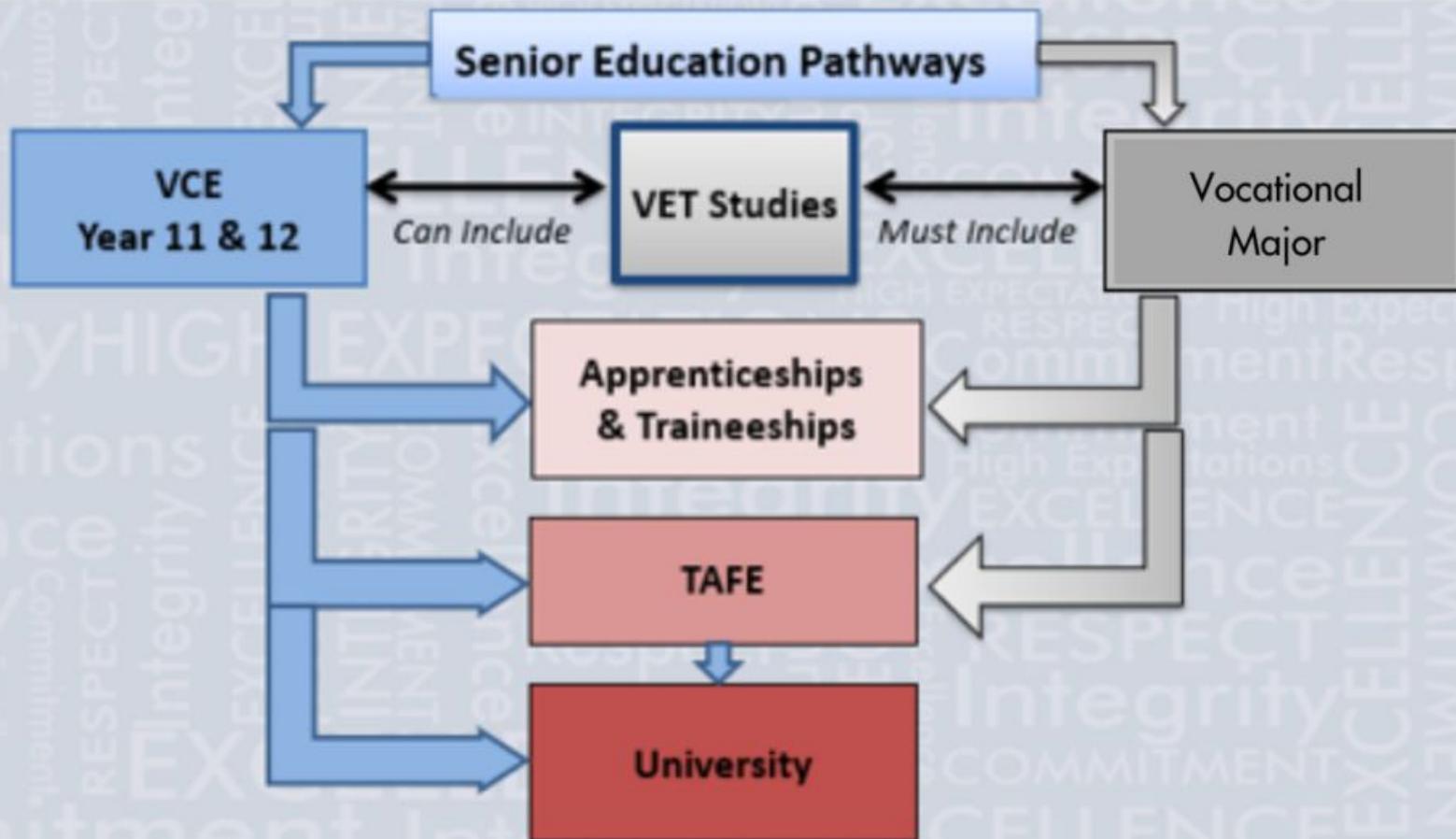
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ART	4 periods
Technology	4 periods
Science	4 periods
Humanities	4 periods
Mandarin	4 periods

English

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# 2023 VCE Options and Pathways



# VCE & the VCE Vocational Major (previously VCAL)

The Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) is Victoria's senior secondary qualification. It opens pathways to university, higher-level TAFE or VET certificate courses, apprenticeships, traineeships and the workforce.

The VCE has expanded to include the Vocational Major, a new **2-year** vocational and applied learning program. It has replaced Senior and Intermediate VCAL.



# VCE Vocational Major (replacing VCAL for Year 11)

To be eligible to receive the VCE VM, students must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 16 units over two years including:

- 3 VCE VM Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3–4 sequence)
- 2 VCE VM Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
- 2 VCE VM Work Related Skills units
- 2 VCE VM Personal Development Skills units, and
- 2 VET credits at Certificate II level or above (180 nominal hours) School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships can replace VET requirements

[VM - Video](#)

# VCE Vocational Major (replacing VCAL for Year 11)

VM is designed for students who don't plan to go to university after secondary school, instead preparing them for an alternative pathway such as an apprenticeship, Vocational Education and Training (VET) or full-time employment.

One of the main benefits of the VM is its emphasis on practical work-related skills, with two of the four strands focusing on providing practical work and industry experience.

Students are able to focus on a specific industry by completing a VET qualification, or complete units from a range of vocational areas. Students can also choose to undertake a structured work placement, an apprenticeship or traineeship, or part-time work.

# Vocational Education Training in Schools (VCE VET)

What is VETiS?

Vocational Education and Training in Schools (VETiS) is a program that enables students to gain nationally recognised qualifications while at school. Students learn skills and knowledge required for specific industries.

This then improves future employability.



# Vocational Education Training (VCE VET)

VET is a key element of the VCE, and compulsory for students studying VCE Vocational Major.

Students must choose their VET carefully as they will need to remain in their VET for the two years of VCE VM.

Many VCE VET programs offer a scored option for gaining an ATAR score.

## Vocational Education Training (VCE VET)

At Marian, we attempt to offer as many VET subjects as possible at school or within our local School cluster with Ararat College and Stawell Secondary.

Other VET programs can be chosen from the Ballarat/Horsham VET cluster, however they will require a pre-organised payment plan with extra fees/costs (this can be up to \$2500 depending on the course) and independent transport to and from the course.

# Local School VET Pathways

## **Marian College Onsite VET**

### **Community Services & Early Childhood Education**

- Certificate III in Community Services incorporating Certificate II in Community Services (Not ATAR scored)
- Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care (Not ATAR Scored)

### **Building and Construction**

- Certificate II in Building and Construction (Not ATAR Scored)

# Local School VET Pathways

## **Marian College Onsite VET**

### **Sport and Recreation**

- Certificate III in Sport and Recreation (ATAR scored)

### **Business**

- Certificate III in Business (NOT ATAR scored)

### **Music**

- Certificate II in Music (Not ATAR scored)
- Certificate III in Music (Performance or Sound Production) (ATAR Scored)

NB - All our VET courses are subject to change due to staffing

# Local Cluster VET Pathways

## Ararat College

### Hospitality

- Certificate II in Kitchen Operations (Not ATAR Scored)

### Health

- Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance (ATAR scored)

# Local Cluster VET Pathways

## **Stawell Secondary**

### **Automotive**

- Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation (Not ATAR scored)

### **Hair and Beauty**

- Certificate II in Salon Assistant (Not ATAR scored)

Sandlants bus drops Stawell students directly to Ararat College.

Ararat students catch Sandlants bus at school and travel to Stawell at a small cost.

# VCE

## Year 11

Students choose 5 VCE or VET subjects at Units 1&2, plus Religion. One of these 5 must be either English or Literature.

The option of studying a Unit 3&4 is available. Not only to those students who studied a Unit 1&2 in Year 10

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# VCE Cont.

## Year 12

Students choose 5 subjects at Units 3&4, plus Religion. One of these 5 must be either English or Literature.

As previously stated individual circumstances will be taken into consideration. For eg those students who in Year 11 have already completed a Unit 3&4 subject.

# Marian College RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PATHWAY



Year 7

**Core subject:**  
• Religion

Year 8

**Core subject:**  
• Religion

Year 9

**Core subject:**  
• Religion

Year 10

**Core subject:**  
• Religion

Year 11

**Core subject:**  
• Religion and  
Society Unit 2

Year 12

**Core subject:**  
• Internal Religious  
Education Program

# Marian College VISUAL ARTS PATHWAY



Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

Year 10

Year 11

Year 12

**Core Subject:**

- Art

**Core Subject:**

- Art

**Electives:**

- Art
- Ceramics
- Photography

**Electives:**

- Art
- Ceramics
- Photography
- Art Making and Exhibiting Units 1&2

**Electives:**

- Art Making and Exhibiting Units 1&2

**Electives:**

- Art Making and Exhibiting Units 3&4

# Marian College MUSIC PATHWAY



**Year 7**

**Year 8**

**Year 9**

**Year 10**

**Year 11**

**Year 12**

**Core subject:**

- Music

**Core subject:**

- Music

**Electives:**

- Popular Music
- Music Technology
- Dance

**Electives:**

- Music Performance Units 1&2
- Dance

**Electives:**

- Music Performance Units 1&2

**Electives:**

- Music Performance Units 3&4

- VET Music

- VET Music

\* We also offer Piano and Singing lessons privately

# Marian College DRAMA PATHWAY



Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

Year 10

Year 11

Year 12

**Core Subject:**  
• Drama

**Core Subject:**  
• Drama

**Electives:**  
• Drama  
• Lights, Set,  
Action

**Electives:**  
• Drama

**Electives:**  
• Drama Units 1&2  
• Theatre Studies  
Units 1&2

**Electives:**  
• Drama Units 3&4  
• Theatre Studies  
Units 3&4

# Marian College ENGLISH AND LANGUAGES PATHWAY



Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
<b>Core subjects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English</li><li>• Chinese</li></ul>	<b>Core subjects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English</li><li>• Chinese</li></ul>	<b>Core subjects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English</li></ul>	<b>Core subjects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English</li></ul>	<b>Core subjects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English Units 1&amp;2 <i>and/or</i></li><li>• Literature Units 1&amp;2</li></ul>	<b>Core subjects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English Units 3&amp;4 <i>and/or</i></li><li>• Literature Units 3&amp;4</li></ul>
		<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creative Writing</li><li>• Literature</li><li>• Cinema Studies</li><li>• Chinese</li></ul>	<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creative Writing</li><li>• Literature</li><li>• Cinema Studies</li><li>• Chinese</li></ul>	<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chinese Units 1&amp;2</li></ul>	<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chinese Units 3&amp;4</li></ul>

# Marian College HEALTH / PE PATHWAY



Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
<b>Core subject:</b> Physical Education	<b>Core subject:</b> Physical Education	<b>Core subject:</b> Physical Education	<b>Core subject:</b> Physical Education	<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical Education Units 1&amp;2</li><li>• Health &amp; Human Development Units 1&amp;2</li></ul>	<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical Education Units 3&amp;4</li><li>• Health &amp; Human Development Units 3&amp;4</li></ul>
		<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Games of the World</li><li>• Netball Studies</li></ul>	<b>Electives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exercise Science</li><li>• Outdoor Ed</li><li>• PE Units 1&amp;2</li><li>• H&amp;HD Units 1&amp;2</li></ul>		

# Marian College HUMANITIES PATHWAY



**Year 7**

**Core subjects:**  
Humanities

**Year 8**

**Core subjects:**  
Humanities

**Year 9**

**Core subjects:**

- Geography
- History
- Civics & Citizenship

**Electives:**

- Money Talks
- Civil Rights & Freedoms
- Political Crisis: The World at War

**Year 10**

**Core subjects:**

- Legal Studies
- History
- Business & Economics

**Electives:**

- Money Talks
- Civil Rights & Freedoms
- Political Crisis: The World at War
- Business Management Units 1&2
- Legal Studies Units 1&2
- History Units 1&2

**Year 11**

**Electives:**

- Business Management Units 1&2
- Legal Studies Units 1&2
- History Units 1&2

**Year 12**

**Electives:**

- Business Management Units 3&4
- Legal Studies Units 3&4
- History Units 3&4

# Marian College Maths PATHWAY



Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

Year 10

Year 11

Year 12

**Core subjects:**

- Maths

**Core subjects:**

- General Maths

**Core subjects:**

- Maths Methods
- General Maths

**Core subjects:**

- Maths Methods
- General Maths

**Electives:**

- Specialist Maths Units 1&2
- Maths Methods Units 1&2
- General Maths Units 1&2

**Electives:**

- Specialist Maths Units 3&4
- Maths Methods Units 3&4
- General Maths Units 3&4

# Marian College SCIENCE PATHWAY



**Year 7**

**Year 8**

**Year 9**

**Year 10**

**Year 11**

**Year 12**

**Core subjects:**  
Science

**Core subjects:**  
Science

**Core subjects:**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics

**Core subjects:**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics

**Electives:**

- Biology Units 1&2
- Chemistry Units 1&2
- Physics Units 1&2
- Psychology Units 1&2

**Electives:**

- Biology Units 3&4
- Chemistry Units 3&4
- Physics Units 3&4
- Psychology Units 3&4

**Electives:**

- Psychology
- Healthy Farming
- Inquiry Skills

**Electives:**

- Psychology
- Healthy Farming
- Inquiry Skills
- Biology Units 1&2
- Psychology Units 1&2

# Marian College TECHNOLOGY PATHWAY



Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
<p><b>Core subjects:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digital Technology</li> <li>• Home Economics</li> <li>• Textiles</li> <li>• Wood, Metal &amp; Plastics</li> </ul>	<p><b>Core subjects:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digital Technology</li> <li>• Home Economics</li> <li>• Textiles</li> <li>• Wood, Metal &amp; Plastics</li> </ul>	<p><b>Electives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computer Aided Design</li> <li>• Digital Media</li> <li>• Systems-Mechatronics</li> <li>• Materials-Metal &amp; Engineering</li> <li>• Materials-Wood &amp; Plastics</li> <li>• Textiles-Clothing Solutions</li> <li>• Jewellery making</li> <li>• Cooking for Celebrations</li> <li>• Multicultural Cooking</li> </ul>	<p><b>Electives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computer Aided Design</li> <li>• Asian Foods</li> <li>• Survival Foods</li> <li>• Food for Fitness</li> <li>• My Kitchen Hamper</li> <li>• Weekend Away</li> <li>• Wearable Art</li> <li>• Furniture Making</li> <li>• Materials-Metal, Wood &amp; Plastics</li> <li>• Systems-Mechatronics Advanced</li> <li>• Digital Media</li> <li>• Product Design &amp; Technology Units 1&amp;2 (Textiles OR Wood, Metal &amp; Plastics)</li> <li>• Systems Engineering Units 1&amp;2</li> <li>• Food Studies Units 1&amp;2</li> </ul>	<p><b>Electives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Product Design &amp; Technology Units 1&amp;2 (Textiles OR Wood, Metal &amp; Plastics)</li> <li>• Systems Engineering Units 1&amp;2</li> <li>• Food Studies Units 1&amp;2</li> </ul>	<p><b>Electives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Product Design &amp; Technology Units 3&amp;4 (Textiles OR Wood, Metal &amp; Plastics)</li> <li>• Systems Technology Units 3&amp;4</li> <li>• Food Studies Units 3&amp;4</li> </ul>

# Making choices...

Read this slideshow (also available on the school website)

Read the relevant handbooks (also available on the school website)

Talk to subject teachers, faculty head, TA teacher, students who may have been studying this subject this year.

Choosing subjects that you like and are good at / interested in, is far better than choosing because your friend likes it.

# Subject Selection via Web Preferences

All students in Years 8-11 have received an email that explains how they log into web preferences to complete their subject selections.

If it is **NOT** in your inbox please check SPAM

They will have five opportunities to make their choices.

**Web Preferences will close on Friday Aug 4.**

# Where can I get this information

Junior, Middle & Senior School handbooks

<https://www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au/>

Go to the learning tab and follow the links to the Year level of choice.

Students have access via the student portal.

<https://sites.google.com/mcararat.catholic.edu.au/studentportal/home>

(They must have their school gmail open (not the app) for this site to open)

# Questions...

Content specific questions can be made through HUB Leaders that are available around the building.