



ST PIUS X COLLEGE

CHATSWOOD

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 8

This is an exciting time in your son's learning as soon he will have the opportunity to choose three elective subjects for Year 9 2024.

Three Elective Subjects:

- i. One subject will be studied in Year 9 only
This is a 100 hour elective
- ii. Two subjects will be studied in both Years 9 and 10
These are 200 Hour electives.

Electives for 2024

The following electives will be available for students to choose:

Chinese
Commerce
Computing Technology (Formerly Information and Software Technology)
Critical Thinking
Design & Technology
Drama
French
Geography (elective)
History (elective)
French
Industrial Technology (Wood Work)
iSTEM
Music
Photographic and Digital Media
Physical Activity and Sports Studies
Physical Activity and Sports Studies – football focused
Psychology
Visual Arts
Visual Design

Information Evening

Please join us and the Subject Coordinators, on Wednesday 9th August at 5.00pm for an Information meeting. This will commence with an opportunity to ask general questions to subject coordinators in C-Wing classrooms. The general Q and A sessions will be followed by a formal presentation in the school hall at 6:00pm.

Year 9 2024 Course Information on CANVAS

In the coming weeks students will be provided access to Year 9 2024 Course Information on CANVAS. As Parents you too can view this information as an observer.

Please ask you son to log into CANVAS and accept the invitation to join the course.

I encourage parents and students to read through this information.
 Your son will be able to ask questions through the **Discussion** function in CANVAS.
 There is a separate discussion area for each subject and questions that will be answered by the relevant Subject Coordinator.

No Prerequisites Years 11 and 12 (except for Languages and advice for Music)

There are no prerequisites for Year 11 and 12 but students do need to be aware of the following:

- students wanting to study a language at Continuers level in Years 11 and 12 should be undertaking a language in Years 9 and 10
- students who want to study a language in Years 11 and 12 at Beginners level cannot choose a language in Years 9 and 10
- students wanting to choose Music 2 in Year 11 and 12 should be proficient in playing a musical instrument and would typically be choosing Music in Years 9 and 10

Accelerant Mathematics

The College will determine suitability for Accelerant Mathematics in early in Term 4. Students who are accepted into this course, will study Accelerated Mathematics in place of one 200 hour elective course.

Online Subject Selection Commences in Week 4

Choosing Subjects will be conducted through the Subject Selection website and this will open in Week 4 on Friday August 11th. Students will be emailed further information on how to access the site. Please remind your son to regularly delete old email messages to ensure he can receive the link. Too often students allow their email accounts to exceed their limits and are then no longer able to receive further messages.

Yours sincerely

Alex Damo
 Assistant Principal: Teaching and Learning

Steve Davidson
 Curriculum Administration Coordinator

Schedule for Wednesday 9th August

	Q and A	Subject Coordinators	C-Wing Classrooms
5:00pm	Commerce Elective Geography	Mr Simon Yue	
	History Elective History	Mr Pat Rodgers	
	Visual Art Visual Design Photographic and Digital Media	Ms Frances Doyle	
	Design and Technology iSTEM Industrial Technology Information Software Technology	Mr Neil Gibson	
	PDHPE	Mr Richard Lacey	

	Physical Activity and Sports Studies (PASS)		
	Languages Chinese French External Languages	Ms Leanne Lee	
	Music	Mrs Annabel Westhoff	
	Drama	Ms Penny Lindley	
	Accelerated Mathematics <u>including</u> Mathematics in Year 9 and 10	Mr Matthew Wall	
	Diverse Learning	Mrs Annabel Gunns	
6.00pm	General Presentation	Mr Alex Damo	School Gym