



2020 SUBJECT SELECTION

INFORMATION EVENING

Marian Centre, St Mary's
Barkly Street, Bendigo

YEARS 9, 10 & 11, 2020

Monday 22 July 2019
6 - 9 pm

It is my pleasure to introduce the **2020 Subject Selection** process.

We encourage you to actively participate in subject selections and to read all material carefully in this brochure. There will be year level assemblies, interviews with mentors and information on SIMON and Schoolbox.

Take the time to explore the variety of resources available to help you gain further information about the subjects which will suit you best. Think about your interests, abilities, capabilities and values. Observe adults at work and consider careers that would suit you. Leading up to final selections talk to parents/carers, teachers, mentors, careers staff, adults in the workforce and tertiary institutions.

It is most important that, in partnership with your parents, you take the opportunity to attend the Subject Information Evening. The evening provides an opportunity to speak with staff and gather information about subjects and how each might align with possible study pathways you are considering. Come prepared with questions so you are comfortable in making the right choices for you.

If you are moving into the senior years of schooling, it is critical that you make informed choices about the course and subject options. I recommend you select subjects which will be a challenge, require hard work inside and outside class time and open as many options as possible for you into the future.

Mr Brian Turner, Principal

Log in to Schoolbox for more subject information:

<http://schoolbox.cmc.vic.edu.au/homepage/4261>

Program Information Evening

Monday 22 July, 2019 from 6 – 9pm

Compulsory Information Sessions: Years 9, 10 & 11, 2020

Select one session to attend. Marian Centre, St Mary's, Barkly Street: 6 – 9pm

For students undertaking Year 9, 10, VCE or VCAL in 2020 with their parents and carers.

Year 12s are invited to attend the displays and talk to teachers to discuss their programs.

Year 9

ST MARY'S LIBRARY

For current Year 8 students with parents/carers

Session 1: 6.00pm - 6.20pm

Session 2: 6.30pm - 6.50pm

Year 10

MARIAN THEATRE

For current Year 9 students with parents/carers

Session 1: 6 - 6.35pm

Session 2: 6.40 - 7.15pm

Year 11 VCE

MARIAN THEATRE

For current Year 10 students with parents/carers

Session 1: 7.20 - 7.55pm

Session 2: 8 - 8.35pm

Year 10 Applied Learning Pathway

P.E. CLASSROOM (entry via Marian Gym)

Information Session: 7.20 – 7.50pm

Years 11 & 12 VCAL

P.E. CLASSROOM (entry via Marian Gym)

Information Session: 6.30 – 7.00pm

Subject Displays and Talk to Teachers for Years 9 – 12, 2020

Marian Gymnasium: 6 – 9pm

Specific Programs

- **Year 9 Outdoor Education** requires an application form to be completed. Available on Schoolbox and submit at Parent Student Teacher Interviews to Mentor.
- **Students pursuing a VCAL program** will require an interview with a VCAL teacher.
- **Students undertaking a VCE or VET subject** are required to complete the VCE/VET contract when submitting selections online.

Resources

- **Schoolbox Subject Information** – every subject is explained on the Schoolbox Subject Information Resource.
- **Parents** – parents know their children well and can provide invaluable insights into career and subject areas which best suit their child.
- **Parent Support Information Schoolbox Page**
- **Current and past subject teachers** – teachers know a student's capabilities and have knowledge of the skills required to undertake subjects and programs successfully.
- **Careers staff** – the breadth of support available through contact with careers staff is outlined on the Schoolbox Careers Page.
- **Student Careers Exploration Schoolbox Page**
- **Tertiary Open Days** – many universities and TAFEs hold Open Days in August. These Open Days assist students to explore the post-school options available to them.
- **Publications** – there are a range of publications which help with career options and subject selections. These include: 'The Job Guide' and 'Where to Now?' resources.



STEP 1

Year Level
Information
Assemblies.

Year Level Assemblies (for Years 11 & 12, 2020): Term 2 Week 10, week starting Monday 24 June

Year Level Assemblies (for Years 8, 9 & 10, 2020): Term 3 Week 1, week starting Monday 15 July

- Information and links presented about subjects offered at Catherine McAuley College in 2020: <http://schoolbox.cmc.vic.edu.au/homepage/4261>
- Discussion of pathways
- Compulsory for students who will be in Years 9 - 11, 2020: Book a meeting with your Mentor for the Parent Student Teacher Interviews to discuss and confirm your selections. Meetings available: Thursday 1 August 4pm – 8pm, Friday 2 August 9am - 4pm in the Marian Centre, St Mary's. Please book using Parent Access Module (PAM): <https://pam.cmc.vic.edu.au/>
- Subject selections filled out online with Mentor:
 - > Years 9 – 11, 2020 fill out at Parent Student Teacher interviews.
 - > Years 8 and 12 in 2020 fill out during Mentor meetings at school.

STEP 2

Discuss subject
selection with
parents.

- Reflect on your Semester 1 feedback on SIMON and discuss your pathway choices for future subjects, based on your interests and teacher feedback.
- Explain the process of Subject Selection to your parent/carer, emphasising that you must attend the compulsory Subject Information Evening on Monday 22 July. (Compulsory for Years 9, 10 & 11, 2020. Optional for Years 8 & 12, 2020.)
- Read through the subject information on Schoolbox
- Decide which sessions you need to attend at the Information Evening – refer to inside cover of folder.
- Understanding the ATAR and Religious Education choices will be explained to Year 11, 2020 students in class sessions.

STEP 3

Attend the Subject
Selection Evening.

Monday 22 July (Compulsory Years 9 - 11, 2020; Optional Years 8 & 12, 2020)

- Attend an information session and visit all displays that are relevant to the subjects that you know you would like to choose and those you are interested in learning more about.
- Ask lots of questions and take notes, so bring along a pen.

STEP 4

Discussion,
preliminary
Pathways Meeting
and finalise
selection online.

- Discuss subject choices further with parent/carers, current teachers and other relevant people.
- Seek further advice from careers staff. You can book an appointment with careers staff by email: careers@cmc.vic.edu.au
- Arrange a Preliminary Pathways Meeting with your Mentor prior to Parent Student Teacher Interviews on Thursday 1 and Friday 2 August 2019.
- Complete your selections online prior to Thursday 1 or Friday 2 August.
 - > 2020 Year 8s and 12s complete online form with Mentor prior to Thursday 1 August or book a Parent Student Teacher Meeting with Mentor.
 - > 2020 Years 9, 10 & 11 bring Planning Form to Mentor meeting at the Parent Student Teacher interviews and fill out Subject Selections at the meeting.
- Any students considering an Applied Learning/Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) program must also book an application interview appointment with a VCAL member of staff at Parent Student Teacher Interviews Day. Please contact St Mary's Office to make an appointment (03) 5445 9100.

STEP 5

Mentor Meeting
at Parent Student
Teacher Interviews
to confirm selections.

Thursday 1 or Friday 2 August – Mentor Meetings (for Years 9, 10 & 11, 2020)

- Ensure you have completed the Subject Selection Planning Form and bring it to your Mentor Meeting to fill out and finalise your subject selections.
- Meet with your Mentor at the booked time to discuss and confirm your selections.

COOLOCK CAMPUS Years 7 - 9

7/8 Core

English	Science	Physical Education
Mathematics	Languages	
Veritas • Religious Education • Humanities • Health • Digital Technology • STEAM	Technology • Wood • Food • Textiles • Agriculture	Arts • Art Design • Drama • Music (Music is undertaken in Year 7)

7/8 Options

Languages

- Year 7 students study Indonesian and French.
- Year 8 students select Indonesian or French

Music

- Year 8 can select to include Music in place of an Art/Technology subject

9 Core

Veritas Religious Education • Humanities • Health • Digital Technology • STEAM	
English	Mathematics
Science	Physical Education

9 Electives

Select 4 elective units from the areas of:

Arts	Technology	Agriculture
Languages	Outdoor Education	

Note: Minimum one Arts and one Technology over the year. Languages run all year.

ST MARY'S CAMPUS Years 10 - 12

10 Core

All students study:

English Students select one of English, Foundation English, English Language or English Literature.
Virtues All students select
Mathematics 2 units completed across the year

All students select a Pathway:

VCE Pathway Critical Thinking
Applied Learning Pathway Students select one project Services or Trade

10 Electives

Select 6 elective units, 3 per semester.

It is strongly recommended that students select either a VCE or a VET 1/2 sequence at Year 10.

English	Mathematics	Science
Humanities	Health & Physical Education	
Languages	Arts	Technology

11 VCE

All students study:

VCE English Units 1 & 2 Options: VCE English, VCE English Language or VCE Literature.
VCE Religious Education Select School-Based Unit 1 OR Select Religion & Society: Units 1 & 2 (Year 11, with 4 other VCE/VET units rather than 5)

All students select a Program:

Program A 4 VCE Units 1 & 2 and 1 VCE Units 3/4 sequence (not available in all subject areas) of the student's choice
Program B 4 additional VCE Units 1 & 2 and a VET selection of the student's choice
Program C 5 additional VCE Units 1 & 2 sequence of the student's choice

11-12 VCAL

VCAL Core

Numeracy	Literacy	Integrated Studies Personal Development Skills Work-Related Skills Religious Education
VET	Structured Workplace Learning	

12 VCE

All students study:

VCE English Units 3 & 4 Options: VCE English, VCE English Language or VCE Literature.
VCE Religious Education Select School-Based Unit 2 OR Select Religion & Society: Units 3 & 4 (Year 12, with 3 other VCE/VET units rather than 4)

All students select a Program:

Program A 4 additional VCE Units 3 & 4 (after English)
Program B 3 additional VCE Units 3 & 4 (after English) and one VET selection
Program C 3 additional VCE Units 3 & 4 (after English) and an HES selection

VCAL Options

VCAL students are involved in ongoing integrated projects, and select from either a 'Trade' or 'Services' stream for these projects depending on their interests and planned future pathways.

Students may acquire a Traineeship or School-Based Apprenticeship (SBAT) as an alternative to VET.