Dear Year 11 Families,

I write today to overview the upcoming Year 11 into 12 Subject Selection Program that will support your child in making the best decisions for the 2026 academic year and beyond.

Subject selection is not just about picking what seems interesting or what friends are doing it is about making informed decisions based on individual strengths, interests, and goals. It's also an opportunity for students to begin thinking about the areas they may wish to explore more deeply as they move towards VCE.

To help guide students and families through this process, we will be offering a number of supports. The details of these are outlined in the table below:

Year 11 Subject Selection program							
Date	Time	Event	Venue	Purpose			
June 3 June 16	Refer to Exam Timetable	Exams begin Exams end	Refer to Exam Timetable	These examinations are an important opportunity for our year 11 students to gauge the effectiveness of their current work habits and study approaches and to decide on subjects that fit them best for year 12.			
June 17	4:00pm	2026 Senior Pathways Subject Handbook released on the College website	College website	The 2026 Senior Pathways Subject Handbook outlines the structure of VCE and also the subjects available for students to choose from. It is a very important Subject Selection resource.			
June 20	Period 3	Subject Selection Assembly	Moreno Auditorium	To outline the subject selection process, VCE requirements, distribute booklets and ensure students are clear about how to make the best choices possible.			
June 23 – July 4	All Day	Year 11 VCE VM Structured Workplace Learning	workplaces	This is an opportunity for our Year 11 VCE VM students to make decisions about their year 12 Program as a result of their experience 'on the job'. These two weeks are invaluable opportunities for them to make good decisions about the direction they will take.			
July 3 Evening	6:00pm to 8:30pm – this will be a ticketed event – more information to come	Careers and Senior Pathways Expo	Moreno Auditorium and Tenison Woods Centre	This Expo will include the Learning Areas and also Universities, TAFE providers, large local employers and more. Year 11 families will need to book a ticket for one of three presentations being given on the night, before or after which you are free to explore the Expo.			
July 19/20	Over the weekend	Subject Selection Weekend	At home	<ul> <li>This is the final weekend prior to the 2026 subject selections for your child being entered onto the online portal. Families are encouraged to sit down and go through their Subject Selection Booklet, discussing the selections your child wishes to make prior to: <ul> <li>a) entering them onto the online portal <u>or</u></li> <li>b) taking them to the individual counselling session you have booked</li> </ul> </li> <li>The Online Portal for Year 12, 2026 Subject Selections will close at 4:00pm on Saturday August 2.</li> </ul>			
July 31	Appointment by request	*Optional Subject Selection Individual Counselling	Geoghegan Library (top floor)	Year 11 students will be offered the opportunity to have individual subject selection counselling with a College leader, prior to submitting their selections for year 12 on the online portal. Year 11 families will be sent information closer to the day about how to secure a counselling appointment on this date.			

		Online Subject		The portal accepting Year 12, 2026 Subject Selections
August 2	4:00pm	Selection Portal	online	will close at 4:00pm. No selections online are possible
		closes		after this time.

## \*Optional Individual Subject Selection Counselling for Year 11 Students

In 2025 Year 11 students will be offered the opportunity to meet with a College leader to discuss their 2026 subject selections. During the 15 minute appointment the leader will discuss their goals, including their future pathway, check their selections against their achievements so far and review teacher recommendations. Students will then complete their selection online by August 2.

If the counselling results in changes to subject selections becoming necessary, our Careers Counsellors will be on hand to assist. Parents will be emailed about any changes prior to these being submitted on the portal, so that you can be involved in follow-up discussions with your child prior to final submission.

We strongly encourage families to begin these conversations at home as soon as possible. Ask your child what they enjoy, what challenges them, and what they see themselves doing in the future. Your involvement and guidance are essential in helping them make thoughtful and confident decisions and in setting them up well to continue to make wise choices about their subjects and pathway in the future.

Please pop the relevant dates from the table into your family calendars to ensure no important steps are missed. The 'Parent Guide to Subject Selection' found at the link below may assist you in preparing well. <u>https://studyworkgrow.com/high-school-subject-selection-a-guide-for-parents/</u>