Year 11 2022

Subject Selections

COVID-19 Restrictions

- Due to COVID 19 restrictions, the subject selection information evening is unable to be conducted in the traditional format and the online process will replace it for 2021.
- Students were provided with their 2022 subject selection information booklet last week.
- Head Teachers are providing students with subject specific information to support students to make the correct subject selections.
- Any questions that require clarification can be answered by myself or Year 10 Year Advisor Mr Poulios.

Stages of Learning

Stage 4 – Years 7 and 8

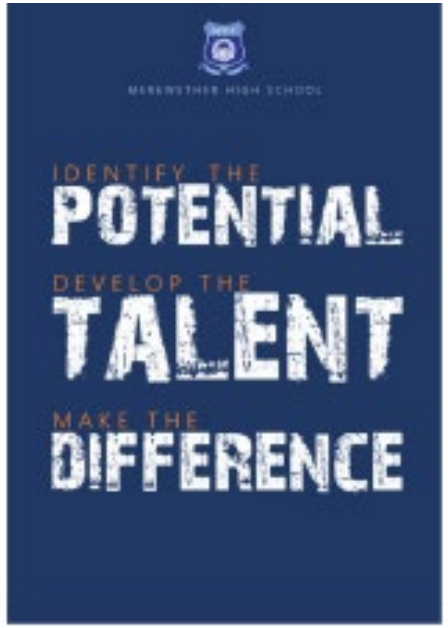
Stage 5 – Years 9 and 10

Stage 6 – Year 11 and 12

How is Stage 6 Different ?

- Autonomy
- Empowerment
- Responsibility
- Self – Management
- Leaders

Future Pathways



- **Year 11**
  - Completion of 2 Units of accelerated HSC course
  - 10 units - 5 other Year 11 courses

- **Year 12**

  Completion of a minimum of 10 Units of HSC course

  It is expected that all students at Merewether Selective High School will present a minimum of 12 HSC units to the NESA.

  (2 Accelerated 2022 + 10 Units 2023)

Where does this lead ?

- **University/TAFE/Other – Independent learner career of choice**

Stage 6

Course / Subject	Yr. 11 2021 Periods / fortnight	Yr. 12 2022 Periods / fortnight
Accelerated HSC course	HSC 8 HSC exam in Oct / Nov 2022	
English	8	8
2 Unit	8	8
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Extension courses	4 Maths Ext 1& Eng Ext 1	4
Minimum Units Presented	10 Units Year 11 2 Units HSC	Minimum 10 Units contribute to HSC

Wise course Selections

Consider your:

- Strengths
- Needs
- Interests
- Abilities

Select courses you **like or think you would enjoy** studying.

Give some consideration to prerequisite University Study – See Mrs Abbo and UAC guide

Don’t select a course because…

- Your friends are doing that course
- It is rumoured…
- You think a particular teacher may teach that course
- Mum / Dad / Brother / Sister / someone you know did that course

Courses to be offered

- Page 2 of your curriculum booklet – overview
- Details for each course are listed on a full page overview.
- Ask specific questions of the Teaching staff – **do not assume!**

What courses will run ?

- This depends on your selections.
- The number of students selecting a course determines whether or not the course is included as part of the line structure.
- <u>Subject preferences need to be listed in priority order</u>
- The only Mandatory course is English
  - Advanced or Standard - Students should speak to English Teachers for guidance with regards to selections

Line Pattern

is NOT predetermined

At Merewether High School, student choice determines the curriculum

In summary for your HSC you pattern of study will include …

- Minimum **12 units** of Year 11 Course study (2 units of acceleration 2021 and minimum 10 units in 2022)
- 2 units of English - mandatory
- No more than 7 units of Science courses
- 10 units of HSC study will contribute to your ATAR

At MHS we expect all students to present a minimum of 12 Units for the HSC (2 Accelerated HSC 2022 + 10 studied HSC 2023)

For each HSC Course, you will receive a HSC Mark derived from

- **Moderated School Assessment = 50%**
- **HSC Exam Mark = 50%**

This is then used by UAC (Universities Admission Centre)

to calculate the ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank)

Your ATAR is calculated from your BEST 10 UNITS **including** 2 units of English

Dispelling the Myths

Some courses “Scale” better than others?

The course does not score well, **YOU** do.
To score well, you must do well.

Scaling

The scaling process is designed to encourage students to **take the courses for which they are best suited** and which best prepare them for their future studies.

The underlying principle is that a student should neither be advantaged nor disadvantaged by choosing one HSC course over another.

https://www.uac.edu.au/assets/documents/scaling-reports/scaling-report-2020-nsw-hsc.pdf

There is No Ideal Pattern of Study

Some of Our 99+ ATAR

English (Adv,Ext I & Ext 2)
Legal Studies
Biology
Modern History
Mathematics
Studies Religion1
Business Studies (Accelerated)
15 units

English (Adv, Ext I)
Legal Studies
Ancient History
Standard Maths
Studies Religion
Society and Culture (Accelerated)

13 units

English - Adv
Mathematics
Mathematics Ext1
Physics
Chemistry
Food Technology
Society and Culture (Accelerated)
13 units

HSC Success

- Good course selection
- Consistent effort and application.
- HSC assessment commences for “accelerated” subjects in Term 4 2022.

Your Own HSC

so aim for your

Learning Experiences and Skills developed throughout Year 10 and in your accelerated course will underline success in your HSC

Reflect on your learning strengths and plan to move forward

Remember we focus on a growth mindset and continually strive to improve yourself as a learner

Additional Guidance and Support

- Faculty staff have spoken to Year 10 students. Parents can contact Head Teachers via school email - merewether-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

- ***Tomorrow*** each Year 10 class will have an opportunity to speak one on one with Ms Crooks, Mrs Corney or Ms Abbo in the staff common room.

Class	Period	Time
10B	2	9.50 – 10.15
10C	2	10.15 – 10.40
10E	3	11.00 – 11.25
10N	3	11.25 – 11.50
10M	4	11.55 – 12.20
10G	4	12.20 – 12.45

Where to from here…

- Details of online selections are contained on page 3 of the curriculum information booklet issued to students.
- All students will be emailed a link and a unique access code to lodge choices online (see page 30).
- All Year 10 students are required to select either Advanced or Standard English as a mandatory subject as well as their current Accelerated subject. For the remaining selections, students should select each subject in order of preference. You must choose 5 preferences, but may make up to 8 choices. You will be allocated your subjects in order of your preferences, including your extension subjects
- Once complete, student selections need to be printed and require a parent signature before being placed in the box outside Mr Horrell's office by Friday 6th August 2021.

Yr11 elecs

Main Units	Subject	Units
Current Accelerated Subject	No selection	0
English Selection	No selection	0
Preference 1	No selection	0
Preference 2	No selection	0
Preference 3	No selection	0
Preference 4	No selection	0
Preference 5	No selection	0
Preference 6	No selection	0
Preference 7	No selection	0
Preference 8	No selection	0
	Total	0

On completion and submission of choices, students must print a copy of their choices and have a parent or carer sign and date their choices. The signed copy must then be placed in the year group box outside the Head Teacher Admin office by Friday, 6th August 2021.

Course Specific Questions?

Students should chat to Teachers and Head Teachers if they have any course specific questions.

If further support or guidance is required please email me at esme.corney@det.nsw.edu.au