



SUBJECT SELECTION

Year 8 into 9 (2026)



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This presentation will include...

- ▶ The subject selection process
- ▶ Important Dates
- ▶ Year 9 Curriculum
- ▶ Selecting subjects using Web Preferences
- ▶ Using the Subject Selection website via SIMON / PAM
- ▶ Key contacts



Subject selection



- Presentations
- Handbooks

- Subject choices with subject teachers and Tutor teachers

- Using Web Preferences



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Why we have subject selection

- ▶ Student voice and choice
- ▶ Pathways and opportunities
- ▶ Planning and logistics

Changing subjects or pathways once the timetable has been constructed is not always possible.

We always do our best to accommodate students; however, we are operating in a complex system with 2000 students.



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Important Dates



Friday 1 August

- Assembly

Friday 8 Aug

- Tutor Workshop

Wednesday 13 Aug

- Web Preferences due (11:59 pm)



Year 9 Curriculum

CORE

Year-long

- Religious Education
- Mathematics
- History*
- English
- Science

*semester-long

ELECTIVES

- Languages sem 1 or Free choice
- Arts or Humanities or Commerce elective
- Health & PE elective
- Languages sem 2 or Free Choice
- Arts or Technology elective

each elective is semester-long



Year 9 Electives

The Arts

- Rock Music Performance
- Art
- Visual Communication
- Theatre Studies
- Electronic Music Production
- Media

Languages

- Italian
- French
- Japanese

Commerce

- Money Moves
- The Law in Operation

Humanities

- Geography

Technology

- Tech Futures Lab
- Materials and Design
- Electronics
- Food Studies



Sample Year 9 Program

Year-long core subjects

Semester 1	Semester 2
Religious Education	Religious Education
English	English
Mathematics	Mathematics
Science	Science
History	Money Moves
Japanese	Japanese
Visual Communication	Physical Education

Semester-long core
subject

Rules

- Students may not choose more than two units from Technology.
- Both semesters of a Language must be selected when selecting a Language.
- A maximum of four Arts units may be selected.
- Three reserve units must be selected.



This is a sample only and may not be possible given timetable or classing constraints

Manchester City Program



- ▶ Students involved with the Manchester City Program do complete subject selection but only need to select:
 - ▶ Manchester City elective if they are intending to continue with the program
 - ▶ Elective choices
 - ▶ **Note:** P.E is not able to be selected; students may select High Performance in semester two.
 - ▶ Reserve elective choices.
- ▶ In Semester Two, the Manchester City Program will be incorporated into ExCEL.

All enquiries should be directed to the Head Coach of the program.

Subjects offered by Learning Diversity



- ▶ Foundation Mathematics
 - ▶ Replaces Core Mathematics
- ▶ Foundation English
 - ▶ Replaces Core English
- ▶ Altior program in English & Humanities and/or Mathematics & Science

Places in these programs are reviewed each year. If you are currently enrolled in one of these programs, then you should elect it for 2026.

Any movement in to or out of these programs will occur later this year.



Year 9 ExCEL



- ▶ Consists of three (3) Extended Learning Projects (ELPs) and four (4) Learning 4 Life personal development seminars.
 - ▶ ELPs – 8 weeks. Involve weekly formative assessment building towards one final presentation or production piece.
 - ▶ L4Ls – 2 weeks. Involves two compulsory subjects and two student choice.
- ▶ Occurs every Wednesday (except during examination periods or other special events).
- ▶ Subjects are based at both the Bundoora and Preston campuses.
- ▶ If you have a subject at the Preston campus you will have to make your own way there by 8:40am.
- ▶ Excursions often involve students making their own way using transport. An ExCEL orientation day will occur during the Year 9 Commencement period to help students learn about independent travel.

Manchester City students complete a Man City program for ELP 3 and the two L4L electives.



ExCEL: Learning4Life

- ▶ Occurs on a Wednesday
- ▶ Each L4L subject runs for two weeks (two full days)

Compulsory Seminars - students complete both

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| ▪ Streetwise | ▪ Career Voyager |
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Elective Seminars - students elect two

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| ▪ Step | ▪ Brain Boot Camp |
| ▪ Buying & Owning a Car | ▪ The Edible Garden |
| ▪ First Aid & CPR | ▪ Outdoor Education |
| ▪ Manchester City Football School* | ▪ Money Smart |

**only available for students involved in the Year 9 Man City Football School*



ExCEL: Extended Learning Projects

- ▶ Occurs on a Wednesday
- ▶ Select three for the year
- ▶ Each subject runs for eight weeks (eight full days)

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| ▪ Art and Design | ▪ Engineering – Bridge Building (STEM) | ▪ Shark Tank Innovation (STEM) |
| ▪ Back to the Future | ▪ In the Zone | ▪ SuperCoach |
| ▪ CO ₂ Dragsters (STEM) | ▪ Journalism | ▪ Superfoods: Exploring Food Studies |
| ▪ Culture Vultures | ▪ Lights, Camera Imagination | ▪ Super Sleuth (STEM) |
| ▪ Defining Law and Influencing Change | ▪ Markets in Australia | ▪ The Social Grind: Coffee & Community |
| ▪ Defying Gravity (STEM) | ▪ Mechatronics (STEM) | ▪ Try a Trade |
| ▪ Ecological Tourism | ▪ Exploring Small Business in Melbourne | ▪ Designing Urban Ecosystems |
| ▪ Manchester City* (ELP 3) | | |
| ▪ The Social Grind: Coffee and Community | | |

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Using Web Preferences



- ▶ Subjects are selected online using Web Preferences.
- ▶ An email with a link to Web Preferences, a code, and password is emailed to each student's Parade email account.
 - ▶ Search for noreply@selectmysubjects.com.au in your inbox
- ▶ There are four steps in the process:
 1. Log into Web Preferences
 2. Select your subject preferences
 3. Confirm your subject preferences
 4. Sign your Web Preferences receipt digitally – both student and parent signatures are required.

A step-by-step guide is available on the Subject Selection webpage



Apply

Signing the Web Preferences Receipt



1. Student signature
2. Enter parent/guardian's email address.
3. Parent/guardian receives email and signs in a similar manner.
4. Both signatures should appear.
5. **Submit Signature** to confirm.

Please sign in the Student Signatures box and click the Save Signature button

Your Preferences

Preference No	Preference Name	Unit Value
Preference 1:	Year 8 High Performance ACC Sport: Semester 1	1 Unit
Preference 2:	Year 8 High Performance ACC Sport: Semester 2	1 Unit
Preference 3:	Year 8 Art and Visual Communication	1 Unit
Preference 4:	Year 8 Make IT Happen	1 Unit
Reserve 1:	Year 8 Media	
Reserve 2:	Year 8 Materials Design and Production	
Total:		4 Units

Student Signature

Sign

Type

Upload

Save Signature

Parents should check their junk/spam folder for the email to sign the web preferences.
Student preferences are still processed even in the absence of a parent signature.
Parents do not receive an email to confirm that their signature 'worked'.

There is no advantage in submitting preferences early. All preferences will be considered equally, as long as they are submitted by the due date.



Using the subject selection webpages



- The Subject Selection and Curriculum Webpage has all required information

SCHOOL LINKS

Subject Selection Web Pages

[2026 Subject Selection and Curriculum Webpage](#)

SUBJECT SELECTION AND CURRICULUM 2025

— SELECT THE LINK FOR THE RELEVANT 2026 YEAR LEVEL

→ YEAR 7

→ YEAR 8

→ YEAR 9



Further information



- ▶ View the Year 9 Curriculum Website on SIMON → School links
<https://www.parade.vic.edu.au/subject-selection>
- ▶ Discuss your subjects with your teachers, tutor teacher, and relevant Learning Area Leader.
- ▶ Deleted or lost your Web Preferences email?
 - ▶ Do a *search* on your inbox
 - ▶ If you haven't received the email by Monday 4 August, then contact Mr Greatwood: Simon.Greatwood@parade.vic.edu.au



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