YEAR EIGHT LEARNING PATHWAYS

INTRODUCTION

Thomas Carr College is committed to providing an engaging and innovative learning environment and developing in students independent thinking and informed decision-making. Beginning Year Eight at Thomas Carr College continues the Middle School journey for students. Year Eight students enjoy a broad curriculum that continues to strengthen their skills and understanding in the Compulsory subjects. Comprehensive curriculum pathways for Year Eight are available on our College website and through SIMON. All Year Eight students participate in the Australian Co-educational Schools (ACS) sport program.

Each year, every effort is made to meet the subject selection preferences for the maximum number of students. Some of the options listed may not be offered due to insufficient student demand. Individual students cannot always be guaranteed of their first preference. In the previous year, students were introduced to a Language Other Than English (L.O.T.E.). In 2016, students will be able to study Indonesian or Italian for the entire year.

My best wishes as you make your selections for Year Eight in 2016.

Mr Cris Scarlata
Senior Director
COURSE OF STUDY AT YEAR EIGHT

Students study a range of full-year Compulsory and semester subjects as well as participate in the Australian Co-educational Schools (ACS) sport program. Subject descriptions of the Compulsory subjects are available on the College website and through SIMON. The list of subjects available for 2015 is below.

FULL-YEAR COMPULSORY SUBJECTS

All Year 8 students are required to study the following subjects:

- Religious Education
- Pastoral Care
- English
- Humanities
- Indonesian OR Italian
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physical Education
- Science

L.O.T.E.

Through the study of a Language Other Than English (L.O.T.E.) students gain access to other peoples, ideas and ways of thinking, become interested in and respectful of other cultures and develop social and cognitive skills that will help them in other areas of the curriculum.

Students will select ONE of the following languages to study for the year:

- Indonesian
- Italian

SEMESTER SUBJECTS (2 SUBJECTS EACH SEMESTER)

- Digital Technologies Web Design (Semester)
- Drama (Semester)
- Textiles (Semester)
- Art (Semester)
You will be using the online subject selection tool to develop a course that suits your language interest. You will be asked to select your language based on the directions found in this document.

**IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

Your teachers and Careers/Pathways Advisors are your best resources for information. You should never choose a subject without knowing its demands in terms of content and assessment. In order to assist you in your decision-making, refer to the list of contacts below. Make appointments to discuss your options so that when you are ready to make your selections, you are already well-prepared.

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