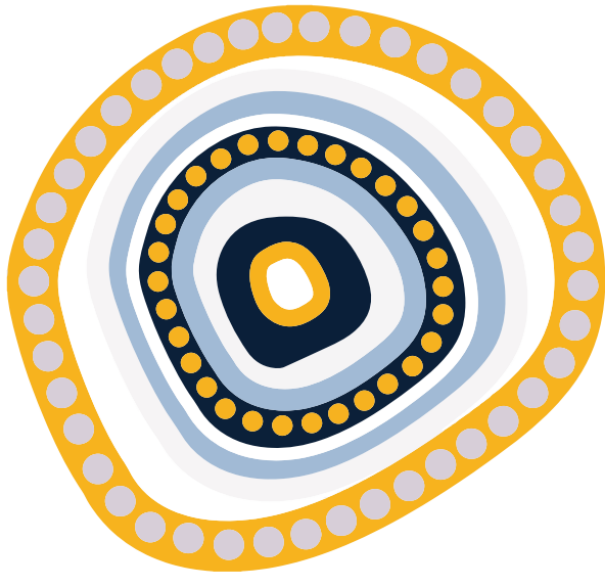




EPPING SECONDARY COLLEGE

Learning for Life

Year 7, 8 & 9 Programs & Subjects Handbook

2026

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Year 7

The Year 7 program combines essential core subjects that are full year subjects with The Arts and Technologies semester subjects.

<i>English</i>	<i>Mathematics</i>	<i>Humanities</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>Languages</i>	<i>Phys Ed</i>	<i>Health</i>	<i>LFL*</i>	<i>Art</i>	<i>DMT</i>
								<i>Music</i>	<i>Info Tech</i>

***LFL (Learning for Life) is a pastoral care subject that runs once a week.**

English

- **Mainstream**
- **EAL**
- **English ACE**

Mathematics

- **Mainstream**

Languages

- **Italian**
- **Macedonian**
- **Spanish**

Year Seven - Subject List & Periods 2026

Full Year Core Subjects			Half Year Subjects		
Code	Subject	Periods per fortnight	Code	Subject	Periods per fortnight
7LFL	Yr7 Learning for Life	2	7DMT	Yr7 Design, Material & Technology	4
7ENGACE	Yr7 English ACE	8	7INFO	Yr7 Information Technology	4
7ENG	Yr7 English	8	7ART	Yr7 Art	5
7EAL	Yr7 EAL	8	7MUS	Yr7 Music	5
7MATH	Yr7 Mathematics	8			
7HUM	Yr7 Humanities	6			
7SCI	Yr7 Science	6			
7HEA	Yr7 Health	2			
7PE	Yr7 Physical Education	4			
7ITA	Yr7 Italian	5			
7MAC	Yr7 Macedonian	5			
7SPA	Yr7 Spanish	5			

Year 8

The Year 8 program combines essential core subjects that are full year subjects with The Arts and Technologies semester subjects.

<i>English</i>	<i>Mathematics</i>	<i>Humanities</i>	<i>Science</i>	<i>Languages</i>	<i>Phys Ed</i>	<i>Health</i>	<i>LFL*</i>	<i>Art</i>	<i>Food Tech</i>
								<i>Drama</i>	<i>Info Tech</i>

***LFL (Learning for Life) is a pastoral care subject that runs once a week.**

English

- **Mainstream**
- **EAL**
- **English ACE**

Mathematics

- **Mainstream**

Languages

- **Italian**
- **Spanish**

Year Eight - Subject List & Periods 2026

Full Year Core Subjects

Half Year Subjects

<i>Code</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Periods per fortnight</i>
8LFL	Yr8 Learning for Life	2
8ENGACE	Yr8 English ACE	8
8ENG	Yr8 English	8
8EAL	Yr8 EAL	8
8MATH	Yr8 Mathematics	8
8HUM	Yr8 Humanities	6
8SCI	Yr8 Science	6
8HEA	Yr8 Health	2
8PE	Yr8 Physical Education	4
8ITA	Yr8 Italian	5
8SPA	Yr8 Spanish	5

<i>Code</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Periods per fortnight</i>
8INFO	Yr8 Information Technology	5
8FOOD	Yr8 Food Technology	5
8ART	Yr8 Art	4
8DRA	Yr8 Drama	4

Year 9

The Year 9 program combines essential core subjects that are full year subjects with The Arts and Technologies semester subjects.

English	Mathematics	Humanities	Science	Languages	Phys Ed	Health	LFL*	Art	The Arts Elective
								STEAM	Technologies Elective

*LFL (Learning for Life) is a pastoral care subject that runs once a week.

English

- **Mainstream**
- **EAL**
- **English ACE**

Mathematics

- **Mainstream**
- **Mathematics ACE**

Languages

- **Italian**
- **Macedonian**
- **Spanish**

Year Nine - Subject List & Periods 2026

Full Year Core Subjects

Code	Subject	Periods per fortnight
9LFL	Yr9 Learning for Life	2
9ENGACE	Yr9 English ACE	8
9ENG	Yr9 English	8
9EAL	Yr9 EAL	8
9HUM	Yr9 Humanities	6
9MATACE	Yr9 Mathematics ACE	8
9MATH	Yr9 Mathematics	8
9SCI	Yr9 Science	6
9PE	Yr9 Physical Education	4
9HEA	Yr9 Health	2
9ITA	Yr9 Italian	5
9MAC	Yr9 Macedonian	5
9SPA	Yr9 Spanish	5

Half Year Subjects

Code	Subject	Periods per fortnight
9FSA	Yr9 Full STEAM Ahead	4
9ART	Yr9 Art	4
The Arts / Technologies Electives		5

Year 9 The Arts/Technologies Electives

Students complete ONE of the following Arts electives in a semester.

The Arts

CERAMICS

This elective introduces Ceramics/Pottery as an art form and explores the basics of forming and shaping clay. Students will explore ceramic art by practicing hand-building techniques, such as pinching, slab building, coiling and slip casting. They will also have an opportunity to practice using the potter's wheel and begin throwing basic forms. Students will learn how the glazing and firing process impacts upon the form and aesthetics of a ceramic piece, as well as how to incorporate decorations and embellishments. The design and creation of unique art pieces is emphasized; students learn balance and proportion, wall thickness correction, surface decoration techniques and new firing options. Students will be given the opportunity of making creative sculptural pieces but also learn how to make vases and bowls.

DRAMA

This elective explores various aspects of performing, acting, directing, stage design and the technical aspects of lighting, sound and special effects. In Unit 1, students will examine Theatre through History, beginning with an exploration of Neutral Mask, then looking at Ancient Greek Theatre and Commedia dell'arte to give them a brief overview of theatre from the pre-modern era.

In Unit 2, students will study a range of script excerpts from the modern era – from Chekov to Nowra – and explore a range of different theatrical styles. Students will work in groups to perform sections of these scripts and will have the opportunity to try their hand at directing, lighting, costume and stage design as they prepare to perform to a live audience.

MEDIA

Media at Year 9 is divided into two areas: media analysis and media production. In media analysis the areas of study are sitcoms and superheroes where we will analyse popular media products in these genres. Media analysis has a strong literacy component. Media production is focused on the creation of media products such as video, photography and podcasting using media tools. You will experience the entire production process that includes idea creation, planning, creating, editing and evaluating.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE

This elective provides a dynamic and engaging way for students to explore music, develop their skills, and connect with music in a meaningful way. Students develop performance skills on an instrument of their choice. They apply their understanding of the elements of music through rehearsals and the exploration of popular music styles. Students work independently and in small groups to select, rehearse and perform a short program of their own choice.

PRINTMAKING

If you enjoy painting and drawing, are enthusiastic about trying new things and like a challenge why not try printmaking? You will learn linocut relief printing; in which you carve out a design on a piece of linoleum, spread ink over the top and then transfer onto a piece of paper or material – much like a stamp! You will be able to explore printmaking techniques such as linocut relief printing, etching, and mono-printing.

Printmaking will expand your Art skills and will help if you take Studio Arts in VCE.

VISUAL COMMUNICATION AND DESIGN

Visual Communication Design studies cover the three main sectors of real-world design: Environmental, Industrial, and Communication. This folio-based subject enables students to explore a range of drawing and rendering conventions, manual and digital media and methods, design analysis, and problem-solving tasks to experience what it is like to work or study in the design field. Visual Communication Design encourages students to look at the world around them and identify how various fields of design impact their everyday experiences. This folio-driven, creative course builds technical competence in the design industry, enhances critical and creative thinking, improves student executive functions, and exposes them to VCE and Post-Secondary options in various design fields.

Students complete ONE of the following Technologies electives in a semester.

Technologies

FURNITURE DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

The focus of this unit is on development of skills in making a piece of furniture using a range of materials, mainly timber. Students are taken through the realisation of a product from design concept through to production of the final piece of work. They will learn skills in technical drawing and computer aided design and investigate its relationship with modern product manufacture techniques. In addition to small skills development projects students will be required to complete a major product for assessment. Students will be required to pay for the material for this major project.

ENGINEERING

Engineering is the application of scientific principles to design, build, and maintain structures, machines, devices, systems, and processes. This practical subject involves problem-solving, creativity, and innovation to develop practical solutions that improve the quality of life and address various challenges in society. Students do 3 main units of work including Engineering Overview in which students learn about engineering's fundamental principles; Electrical Engineering where students assemble a model electric car and construct a board game containing a wired circuit; and 3D Modelling where students design and print a range of original 3D models. Students are required to bring their own laptop to every class for this subject.

FOOD AND TECHNOLOGY

Students will become independent thinkers at this stage of their learning. Design briefs will be more complex and challenging. Students will become aware of different cultures and the nutritional value of food. They will utilise their own design briefs and evaluate their outcomes. Students will begin to develop appropriate strategies for specific occasions and the importance of food presentation.

DIGITAL COMMUNICATION AND DESIGN

This subject is focused on computers and computer-based technology. Topics could include programming, software design, digital communications and networking, digital product creation, social media, and web design. The content in this subject will lead to year 10 subjects Programming and Problem Solving and Data Design. There is no additional cost for this elective, however students will need to ensure that they bring their fully charged laptop to every class.

How to pick Year 9 The Arts / Technologies Electives?

To complete the online subject selection forms, students will need two things.

1. This link: <https://my.edval.education/login>

2. A unique WebCode (this will be emailed to students when the subject selection process begins)

Rules for selecting Priority subjects: (2 Units)

Priority 1: Indicate the Arts subject you would most like to study next year.

Priority 2: Indicate the Technologies subject you would most like to study next year.

Rules for selecting Reserve subjects: (6 Units)

If you are not successful in being placed into your most preferred The Arts/Technologies electives you will be placed into one of your reserve choices. It is important that you list these in order of preference.

Reserve 1: The Arts

Reserve 1: Technologies

Reserve 2: The Arts

Reserve 2: Technologies

Reserve 3: The Arts

Reserve 3: Technologies