



20 August 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 9 Subject Selection for 2022

Next year your son will begin his final four years of secondary education. Year 8 students will have the opportunity to choose two elective courses that they wish to study in Years 9 and 10, attached to this email is a handbook outlining the subjects offered at St Edward's. This is also located on the [College Website](#).

The handbook provides a detailed description of the elective subjects, information regarding the compulsory subjects taught in Years 9 and 10, information about the NESA Record of School Achievement (RoSA) and the National Curriculum. After reading the handbook, you will see that students are required to choose **two** elective subjects and two reserve subjects.

Our advice to the students is to always choose electives that are of genuine interest and subjects that they will enjoy doing. There is no link to doing subjects in Years 9 and 10 to the electives in Years 11 and 12.

We will initially be talking to students during their next Pastoral Year Meeting on **Tuesday 31 August**. Following this, we will be hosting an online information session for parents and students on **Thursday 2 September from 6.30pm – 7.30pm** via Microsoft Teams. Families will have the opportunity to hear from various key speakers providing information about details to consider when choosing subjects.

Families will receive an email with a link on **Monday 30 August** which will allow you to register your attendance as well as provide an opportunity to ask questions that they would like covered in the session. This approach will allow us to respond in a timely manner on the night. Parents and students will also have the opportunity to ask questions via the chat function in Microsoft Teams throughout the meeting. After receiving the meeting invitation and registering, we ask families to respond with any questions by **Wednesday 1 September**.

Students will be using an online program called EDVAL to make their subject selections. Instructions for students to follow have also been attached to this email. A unique web code will be emailed to students on Friday 3 September for them to log into EDVAL. As indicated on the instruction sheet, subject selections will need to be completed by Friday 10 September.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Gerry Summerhayes, Director of Curriculum on 4321 6400 or via gsummerhayes@stedwards.nsw.edu.au if you would like to discuss the information outlined in this letter. We look forward to meeting with you online on Thursday 2 September.

Yours faithfully,

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College Principal