



Dargaville High School

Year 9 Options 2023

Semester Two

Monday 17th July – Friday 8th December



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Year 9 Subjects

Option 1:

Performing Arts: Music

In Year 9 Music there is a focus on practical and creative music making with an emphasis on group work. No experience is necessary.

You have the opportunity to; Learn to play an instrument as part of a group. Play marimba and learn a variety of styles of music. Learn to read chord boxes and guitar tablature. Discuss and analyse a variety of music. Learn about the history of music and a little music theory. Create digital music and beats using Mixcraft 9 on computers.

Designing and Making Technology

This course is to introduce students to the necessary skills needed for a pathway in Design and Making. This can lead to a wide variety of career choices later. Students will focus on the design and making process through a series of mini-modules involving graphics and design, as well as more traditional wood, metal and plastic working skills. This course leads into Y10 DMT and then in Y11 there are two options either Y11 DMT or Y11 Pre-Trades for those interested in following a vocational course.

Cost: \$40 (consumables and take home items)

Dance or Young Enterprise (dependent upon staffing)

Dance

During the Year Nine Dance module you will learn a variety of different dances. This module is about enjoying dance and its many benefits for body and mind. Come along and enjoy!

You do not need to be a confident dancer, however, you must be willing to participate and interact with others. You will be required to be in the space of others and participate in partnered dancing.

Resources: Please bring PE gear and appropriate footwear.

Young Enterprise

This course inspires the next generation of business leaders and changemakers, helping to create a generation of business savvy and financially competent Kiwis. Students set up and run their own business, operating with real profit and loss. Students learn by experiencing the value of innovative thinking and develop enterprising attributes whilst learning about finances and opportunities.

Art: Visual Arts

In this course you will explore a range of artistic media, such as pencil, ink, paint, printmaking and digital art. Your work will be influenced by contemporary Pasifika, Maori and New Zealand artist models. This course is recommended for students who have a creative side and a passion for the arts. This course is the start of your journey in Art, preparing you for Year 10 and NCEA Levels 1-3. **Cost: \$29 additional Art pack for homework use (this is optional - materials will be supplied for use in class)**

Option 2:

French

Bonjour et bienvenue à la classe de français! Hello and welcome to French class! In our French class, we will be learning how to speak and understand simple French phrases, such as how to greet people, talk about ourselves and others, order food, count numbers, etc. We will listen to, read, and speak simple French texts and play games which will let us practise and test our understanding. We will learn about the French way of life as we explore parts of this beautiful country, and we will have the opportunity to make and taste some typical French foods.

Resources: please make sure you have an exercise book for this class and a glue stick. A clearfile folder (20 pages) is also **highly recommended** for keeping your resources together.

Performing Arts: Drama (foundation)

During the Year Nine Drama(foundation) programme you will learn about how to use drama techniques in performance, you will enjoy playing improvisation games and learning about physical comedy and clowning. No previous acting experience is needed. In this drama class, you will be performing in front of the class. If you don't feel confident performing to a larger audience, this module is for you!

Applied Arts - with Textiles

Do you enjoy being creative? In this art based module students will make 2D and 3D works of art, craft and textiles. Students will be creating drawings, using different materials, developing creative thinking skills by designing an outcome that they will make. Outcomes will adapt to class interests, but may include sculpture, clay tile, wearable art, contemporary jewellery, fabric painting/stenciling and sewing a plush toy. Skills learnt in this module will help students moving into Visual Art, DMT and Textiles in Year 10, plus it will be lots of fun!

Cost: \$10 take home materials (all other materials will be supplied for use in class)

Food Studies

Understanding the impact of our food choices on our hauora (wellbeing) is essential for life! While working in pairs or in groups, you will learn to use kitchen equipment safely, prepare food in a hygienic manner, use a range of cooking methods to prepare a wide variety of foods, and be able to express your creativity through creating your own food product.

We will be focusing on basic nutrition, meal options and food trends. Students will plan their own recipe kit, which can be used for an 'at home cooking' challenge. Topics covered will include - Food Trends, Design a Food Truck menu and Snack Attack. This subject promotes the ability to work in teams, good communication skills, resilience, good self-management skills, and thinking skills.