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Junior Course Handbook 2026

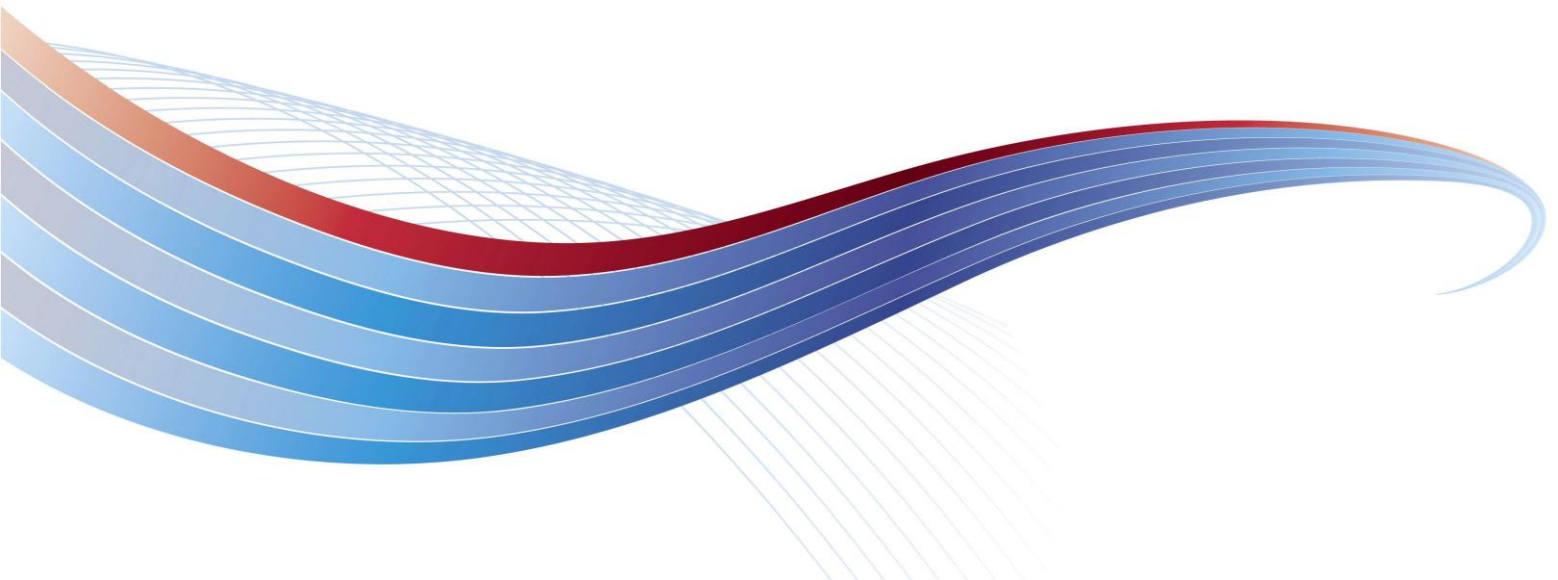


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This handbook gives you information about all of the subjects offered at One Tree Hill College from Year 9 through to Year 13. There is a range of subjects to cater for a wide range of student needs and abilities.

Subject teachers, Curriculum Leaders, Whānau Leaders and Teachers, the Deputy Principals and the Careers Centre staff are there to help you. Talk to them and ask for their help when choosing your subjects for 2026. If you need more detailed information about courses in the senior school, you can view a copy of the Senior Course Handbook on the school website.

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2026 SUBJECTS COURSE PLANNER

To assist you in planning your courses, you may find it useful to map your study onto the course planner (below). Put in the subjects that you know you would like to do. Compulsory subjects are listed.

Year 9	English	Mathematics	Social Studies	Science	Health & Physical Education
	Citizenship	Option 1:	Option 2:	Option 3:	Option 4:
	Option 5:				
Year 10	English	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies	Health & Physical Education
	Option 1:	Options 2:	Option 3:	Options 4:	
Year 11	English	Mathematics	Subject 3:	Subject 4:	Subject 5:

All students in Years 11 to 13 must follow a course of study to meet the requirements for achieving NCEA Certificates. Use this information to help you plan the subjects you will take in the senior school.

SENIOR SCHOOL COMPULSORY SUBJECTS

YEAR 11/NCEA LEVEL 1

- English or ESOL
- Mathematics
- Science is highly recommended

YEAR 12/NCEA LEVEL 2

English is compulsory at Year 12.

YEAR 13/NCEA LEVEL 3

There are no compulsory subjects at Year 13. However, to achieve the University Entrance qualification you must take at least three university approved subjects.

Some careers such as engineering, health/medical sciences require specific subjects (physics, chemistry, calculus etc). Students in Year 10 are strongly encouraged to speak to the careers staff if they have a career pathway in mind. The careers staff can advise students on the Year 11 subjects they must take.

2026 SUBJECTS

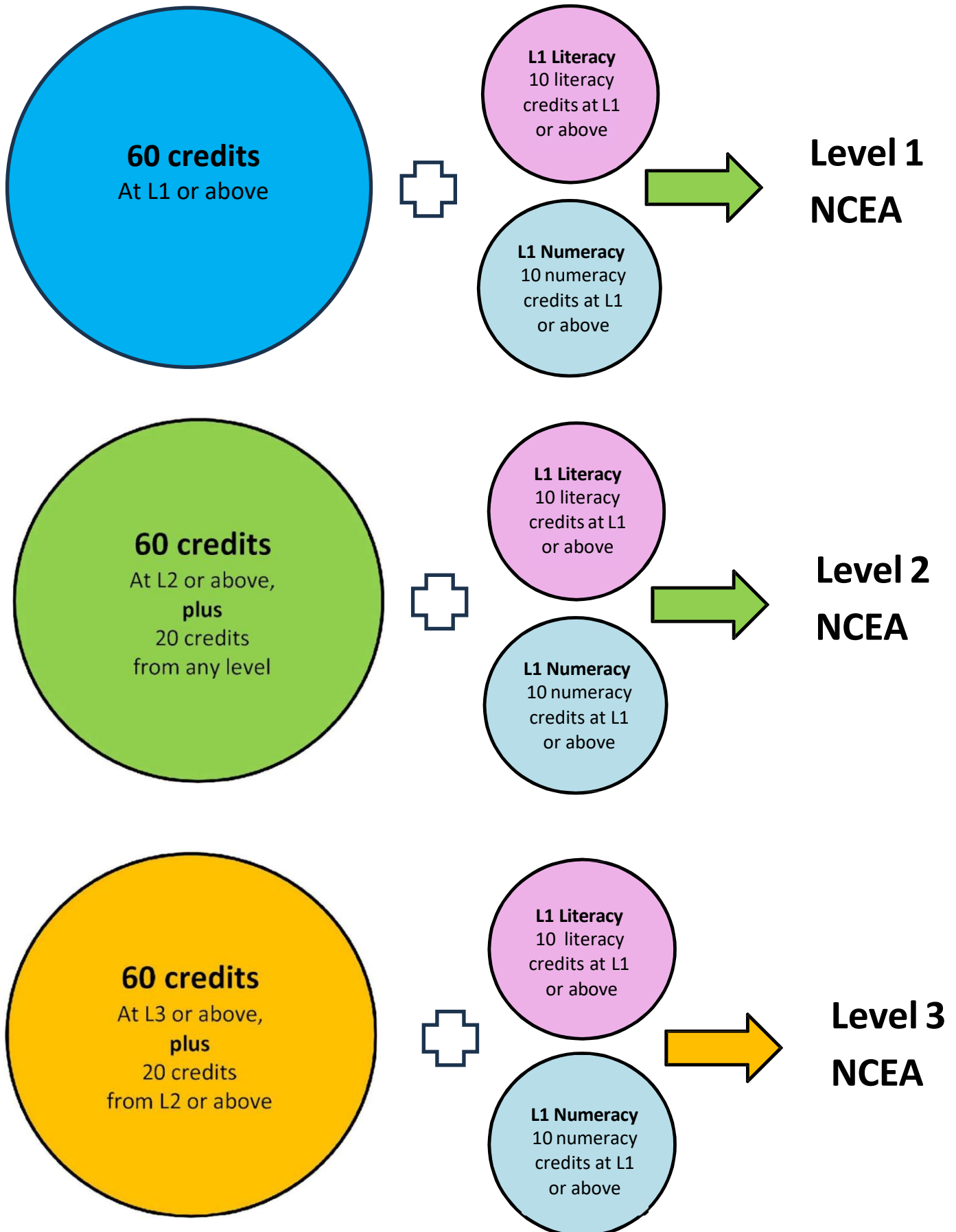
Compulsory Subject * University Approved Subject

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
ART	Art	Art	Art	Art Painting	Art Painting*
				Art Design	Art Design*
				Art Photography	Art Photography*
DANCE	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance*
DRAMA	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama*
ENGLISH	English #	English #	English #	English	English*
ENGLISH LANGUAGE FOUNDATION & LEARNING	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation
		English Language Learners	English Language Learning	English Language Learning	English Language Learning
INTEGRATED STUDIES			Integrated Studies Integrated Mathematics Integrated English	Integrated Studies	
JAPANESE	Japanese	Japanese			
KA RERE	Ka Rere				
MATHS	Mathematics #	Mathematics #	Mathematics	Mathematics 1 & 2	General Mathematics*
			Mathematics Applied		Statistics*
			Mathematics Numeracy		Calculus*
MUSIC	Music	Music	Music	Music	Music*
SAMOAN LANGUAGE	Samoan	Samoan			
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Health #	Health #	Health	Health	Health*
	Health and Wellbeing (option)	Health and Wellbeing (option)			
	Physical Education #	Physical Education #	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education*
				Physical Education & Sport	Physical Education & Sport
SCIENCE	Science #	Science #	Science	Biology	Biology*
				Chemistry	Chemistry*
				Physics	Physics*

2026 SUBJECTS CONT.

# Compulsory Subject * University Approved Subject					
	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
SPANISH	Spanish	Spanish			
SOCIAL SCIENCES (incl COMMERCE)	Social Studies #	Social Studies #	Geography	Geography	Geography*
			History	History	History*
			Sociology	Sociology	Sociology*
				Pacific Studies	Pacific Studies
				Tourism	Tourism
	Commerce	Commerce	Commerce	Commerce	Economics*
				Business Studies	Business Studies*
SPORT PERFORMANCE	Football Netball Rugby	Football Netball Rugby			
TE REO MĀORI	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori *
TE AO MĀORI		Te Ao Māori			
TECHNOLOGY	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication*
	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies*
				Computing	Computing
	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology and Hospitality	Food Technology	Food Technology*
				Hospitality	Hospitality
	Product Design	Product Design	Product Design	Product Design	Product Design*
			Trades 1	Trades 2	Trades 3
	Media Studies	Media Studies	Media Studies	Media Studies	Media Studies*
	Textiles				
SPECIALIST TRAINING (Years 12 and 13) One or two days per week learning trades at MIT campuses Entry by interview only			AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING (Y12)		
			CARPENTRY FULL-YEAR (Y12)		
			CARPENTRY HALF-YEAR (Y12)		
			ELECTRICAL HALF-YEAR (Y12)		
			EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (Y12)		
			ENGINEERING CAD (Y12)		
			AUTOMOTIVE (Y13)		
			CONSTRUCTION (Y13)		
GATEWAY (Years 12 and 13) Up to 10 weeks work experience programme Entry by interview only			AVIATION		
			BANKING		
			CUSTOMER SERVICES/HOSPITALITY		
			LOGISTICS/FREIGHT		
			RETAIL		
			SPORTS		
			SECURITY		

How do I achieve Level 1, 2 and 3 NCEA?



PRE-REQUISITES

There are **pre-requisites** for some senior courses. A prerequisite is the minimum level of achievement that you must have reached before selecting the course as an option.

Your end of year School Report will be used to make decisions about whether or not you may continue to the next level in a particular subject area.

YOUR SCHOOL REPORT

Your achievement report will show:

Your ACHIEVEMENT Grades

Your achievement report will show:

Your ATTITUDE to Learning

You are expected to:

- ✓ Be punctual to class
- ✓ Settle quickly to work at the start of each lesson
- ✓ Bring correct equipment to class
- ✓ Complete work set in class
- ✓ Complete work with accuracy and care
- ✓ Complete work in sufficient depth
- ✓ Complete homework as required
- ✓ Be focused and responsive in class
- ✓ Avoid distracting other students in class
- ✓ Participate and contribute actively in class activities
- ✓ Show respect to peers in the classroom
- ✓ Show respect to your teachers

Your achievement report will show:

Your ATTENDANCE Record

YEAR 9 CITIZENSHIP

Year 9: CITIZENSHIP

Compulsory

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	<p>Students will be introduced to the use of their device/laptop as part of the Year 9 BYOD learning programme at One Tree Hill College. Students will work through a digital orientation and learn how to use Office 365 (the College's Learning Management System).</p> <p>The values of the College and expectations for students will be explored. Students will understand the expectations for One Tree Hill College students in Year 9 and beyond and how they belong to their school whānau and the wider One Tree Hill College community</p> <p>Students will understand our local physical environment, history and culture including Tikanga Māori, Maungakiekie, Te Haka o Puakiekie (school haka) and Te Marae o Puakiekie (school marae).</p> <p>Students will work through a career exploration process and begin their CVs and career plans as part of the online Careers Central. NCEA will be explained and students will have the opportunity to explore a range of post-school study options. All students will start to consider their option subjects for Year 10 and beyond in relation to some possible career pathways.</p>
Contact:	Mr Coughlan

ART

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
ART	Art	Art	Art	Art Painting	Art Painting*
				Art Design	Art Design*
				Art Photography	Art Photography*

Year 9: ART

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Pre-Requisites:	This is an open entry course. All students must pay course costs before admittance to this course.
Course Costs:	TBC - take home component of materials
Course Description:	Students learn a range of skills including Drawing, Painting, Printmaking and Sculpture. They develop the essential art language while studying artists and how they work. Students have theme based units of work, focusing on their own interests, culture and identity.
Contact:	Ms Towns

Year 10: ART

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Year 9 Art or Curriculum Leader of Art approval with a pre-requisite that all course costs are paid before admittance.
Course Costs:	TBC - take home component of materials
Course Description:	<p>Making Impressions and Keeping Cool:</p> <p>Students will learn practical art skills across a range of activities which may include drawing, painting, printmaking, three dimensional work and photography. Students maintain a workbook. They are introduced to artists and their practice as a way of developing an understanding of, and appreciation for, the visual arts. The course provides a foundation for NCEA Level 1 Visual Arts.</p>
Contact:	Ms Towns

DANCE

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
DANCE	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance	Dance *

Year 9: DANCE

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Pre-Requisites:	This is an open entry course
Course Description:	Students learn to express themselves confidently through movement as they choreograph and perform dance. Students explore dance forms from a variety of cultures.
Contact:	Mrs Rai

Year 10: DANCE

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	This is an open entry course
Course Description:	<p>Students learn how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain self-confidence and self esteem • Develop performance skills • Express themselves through movement • Become aware of elements and movement vocabularies • Develop dance ideas and explore dance forms • Enhance social interactions and physical expression • Use four strands of the Arts curriculum which are: practical knowledge, develop ideas, communicate and interpret, understand contexts • Interpret and understand dance in context • Choreograph a dance work • Explore dances of different cultures • Foster their enthusiasm as participants, creators, viewers and critical inquirers and develop interest and appreciation of dance
Contact:	Mrs Rai

DRAMA

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
DRAMA	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama	Drama*

Year 9: DRAMA

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Pre-Requisites:	This is an open entry course
Course Description:	<p>Students learn how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present themselves confidently • Speak clearly • Develop basic performance skills • Work co-operatively with others to create drama • Devise and perform original drama • Work in a friendly and supportive way
Contact:	Mr Stuart

Year 10: DRAMA

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Year 9 Drama or Curriculum Leader of Drama approval
Course Description:	<p>Students learn how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain self-confidence and self esteem • Develop performance skills • Speak clearly and confidently • Use three strands of the Arts curriculum which are: practical knowledge, develop ideas, communicate and interpret • Work co-operatively as part of a team • Perform a live performance to an invited audience • Devise work • Engage in reflective writing and conversations • Work in a friendly and supportive way
Contact:	Mr Stuart

ENGLISH

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
ENGLISH	English	English	English	English	English*

Year 9: ENGLISH

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	The Year 9 English programme helps students to develop a love for language and literature and build the skills necessary for success in NCEA. The course covers the listening, reading, viewing and speaking, writing, presenting strands of New Zealand curriculum, and during the year students will engage with and respond to a variety of texts, including film, short story and drama. It focuses on independently identifying key ideas, author's purposes, language features and structures, then discussing text as constructions.
Contact:	Ms Havens

Year 10: ENGLISH

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	The Year 10 English programme builds on the skills developed in Year 9 and is designed to prepare students for NCEA Level One. The course covers the listening, reading, viewing and speaking, writing, presenting strands of New Zealand curriculum, and during the year students will engage with and respond to a variety of texts, including film, novel and poetry. Two NCEA starters are part of the course: Form personal responses to independent read text and construct and deliver an oral text.
Contact:	Ms Havens

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
ELF	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation	English Language Foundation
ELL			English Language Learners	English Language Learners	English Language Learners

Year 9: ENGLISH LANGUAGE FOUNDATION

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	Students will learn to develop a love for language and literature, as well as to build the skills necessary for success at senior level. The course includes reading, writing (creative and formal), listening, viewing and presenting. All students are from a non-English speaking background, and the curriculum is adapted to the special needs of such students.
Contact:	Ms Sabbage

Year 10: ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	This course continues to develop the skills learned in Year 9 in preparation for NCEA. There is still a focus on instilling a love for language and literature and students will be encouraged to engage with a variety of text types including written, visual and oral texts. All students are from a non-English speaking background, and the curriculum is adapted to the special needs of such students.
Contact:	Ms Sabbage

GAGANA SAMOA

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
GAGANA SAMOA	Samoan	Samoan			

Year 9: GAGANA SAMOAN

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Pre-Requisites:	Open entry
Course Description:	Gagana Samoa (Samoan language) is the third most spoken language in Aotearoa – following English and Te Reo Māori - and the second most spoken language in Auckland – after English. This course will develop the student's understanding of Samoan language and culture. This will include basic reading, writing, comprehension and oral skills, as well as content around the history, customs, values and perspectives of Samoan people and communities
Contact:	Mr Fale

Year 10: GAGANA SAMOAN

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Open entry
Course Description:	Gagana Samoa (Samoan language) is the third most spoken language in Aotearoa – following English and Te Reo Māori - and the second most spoken language in Auckland – after English. This course will develop the student's understanding of Samoan language and culture. This will include basic reading, writing, comprehension and oral skills, as well as content around the history, customs, values and perspectives of Samoan people and communities
Contact:	Mr Fale

JAPANESE

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
JAPANESE	Japanese	Japanese			

Year 9: JAPANESE

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Pre-Requisites:	Open entry
Course Description:	Students will experience the Japanese language through listening, reading, writing Hiragana and speaking. Topics will include personal presentation, family, how to order food and how to communicate in simple sentences. Students also gain an understanding of Japanese table manners and culture.
Contact:	Ms Lee

Year 10: JAPANESE

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Year 9 Japanese or Curriculum Leader approval
Course Description:	<p>Students will continue to experience the Japanese language through listening, reading, writing and speaking. Students learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a basic competence in oral Japanese • Develop a basic competence in writing Japanese including Hiragana, Katakana and some Kanji • Foster an understanding of Japanese culture, art and manners <p>This course prepares students for NCEA Level 1 Japanese however the Year 11 Japanese programme will be run based on the number of students selecting the subject.</p>
Contact:	Ms Lee

KA RERE

Year 9: KA RERE

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	<p>KA RERE means 'to soar'. The Ka Rere programme is aimed at providing motivated Year Nine students with the opportunity to soar at OTHC. Through the exploration of both global and community issues, Ka Rere supports the development of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extension of students' written and verbal communication skills • critical thinking • research skills • problem solving • self-direction • leadership and team work skills

MATHEMATICS

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
MATHEMATICS	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics 1 & 2	Mathematics 1 & 2	Calculus*
			Mathematics Numeracy		Statistics*
					Mathematics*

Year 9: MATHEMATICS

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	Students learn and apply the mathematical skills and knowledge necessary to solve problems in numeracy, number, algebra, geometry, measurement, statistics and probability.
Contact:	Ms Ho

Year 10: MATHEMATICS

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	Students learn and apply the mathematical skills and knowledge necessary to solve problems in numeracy, number, algebra, geometry, measurement, statistics and probability. All students in Year 10 undertake an NCEA Level 1 Achievement Standard in probability.
Contact:	Ms Ho

MUSIC

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
MUSIC	Music	Music	Music	Music	Music*

Year 9: MUSIC

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Students will learn:	Students are introduced to using instruments and singing, composing, music literacy, listening, music appreciation, music history, and technology by working as a class, individually and collaboratively. Advanced music students are also mentored for higher level skills. Year 9 leads on to Year 10 Music and Level 1 NCEA Music and beyond, including tertiary. Students are expected to take part in the extracurricular music opportunities as part of the course, including singing in one of the school choirs, performing in the orchestra or Jazz ensemble, or performing in a contemporary rock or pop ensemble.
Music Technology:	Students will use Mixcraft and Sibelius to compose and arrange original compositions.
To proceed to Year 10 Music:	Students must pass this course or otherwise be able to prove an acceptable standard of musicianship to the music staff.
Contact:	Mr Gray

Year 10: MUSIC

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students must pay course fees before admittance to the course; Students must have at least one chosen instrument (including voice) that they intend to perform on for their assessments. Ideally this will include an instrument at home to practice on; Successful completion of Year 9 Music, or Curriculum Leader approval based on musical ability.
Students will learn:	In Year 10 Music, students are focused on more intensive use of instruments and singing, composing, literacy, listening, music appreciation, and technology by working as a class, individually and collaboratively. Advanced Music students are also mentored for higher level skills. Year 10 leads on to Level 1 NCEA Music and subsequently to Levels 2 and 3, including tertiary.
Music Technology:	Students will have the opportunity to obtain NCEA Level one credits through the completion of a Music Technology Unit Standard involving notation, music production, and demonstrating knowledge of music technology.
To proceed to NCEA Level 1 Music:	Students must pass this course or otherwise be able to prove an acceptable standard of musicianship to the music staff.
Contact:	Mr Gray

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH	Physical Education & Health	Physical Education & Health	Health	Health	Health*
	Health & Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education*
			Physical Education & Sport	Physical Education & Sport	Physical Education & Sport

Year 9: PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Costs:	PE Uniform
Course Description:	Students engage in practical activities to activate the mind and body to develop skills in a “team” based environment. In Health Education students develop skills to make informed decisions to positively affect their wellbeing. These are underpinned by the underlying concepts of Hauora, attitudes and values, a socio-ecological perspective and health promotion.
Contact:	Ms Slee

Year 9: HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	Students will explore themes and concepts from the Year 9 Health course in more depth including dimensions of health including how food and nutrition influence health. Current issues in the media and society around food will be explored through a critical viewpoint.
Contact:	Ms Slee

Year 10: PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	Students engage in selected sports and develop practical and tactical skills to participate competitively in game situations. In Health Education students explore issues that affect young people and develop strategies to cope. Students have the opportunity to experience a Level 1 NCEA Achievement Standard as part of the Year 10 NCEA Starter Programme. This course leads into Level 1 Health, Physical Education and Sports programmes in 2024.
Contact:	Ms Slee

Year 10: HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Course Description:	<p>The focus in Year 10 Health and Wellbeing is to further develop students' knowledge of their well-being, other people and society through learning a range of health-related context. There is a particular focus on Nutrition, Health related diseases and bullying. NCEA Level 1 achievement standards are offered, totaling 8 credits.</p> <p>Students will participate in a range of theoretical and practical activities. The programme will be underpinned by the underlying concepts, Hauora, Attitudes and Values, the Socio-ecological Perspective and Health promotion.</p>
Contact:	Ms Slee

SCIENCE

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
SCIENCE	Science	Science	Science Additional Science	Biology	Biology
				Chemistry	Chemistry
				Physics	Physics

Year 9: SCIENCE

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Learning Outcomes:	Why is the sea level rising? How do we digest our food? Can we define life? How do X-rays work? Do some paracetamol tablets dissolve faster than others? Is Pluto a planet? Year 9 Science will explore these questions and more. You will learn through experiments, investigations, discussions, and writing. Students will look at the why as well as the how, to see how Science affects everything we do.
Contact:	Mr Gainsford

Year 10: SCIENCE

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Learning Outcomes:	Are you food or a feeder? Why don't we fall off the Earth as it rotates? Why are we the same but different? What goes "POP"? What exactly are the elements? Why does NZ shake, rattle, and roll? If you're not shocked, should we charge you? Year 10 Science will explore these questions and more. You will be doing experiments and investigations, discussing and writing. You will start to ask the 'why?' and then work out how to explore solutions yourselves.
Contact:	Mr Gainsford

SOCIAL SCIENCE

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Social Studies	Social Studies	Geography	Geography	Geography*
			History	History	History*
			Sociology	Sociology	Sociology*
				Pacific Studies	Pacific Studies
	Commerce	Commerce	Commerce	Commerce	Economics*
				Business Studies	Business Studies*
				Tourism	Tourism

Year 9: SOCIAL STUDIES

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	Students study people and places to understand society. Students will learn four different topics which will help them to navigate the world around them. Students will investigate the movement of people around the world with particular focus on early Polynesian migration and refugees. Students will look at environmental issues in the Pacific and how we can better manage our resources. Students will examine how ancient civilisations operated and how the ideas of these civilisations are still used today. Finally, students will reflect on their own personal economic decisions and how innovations impact on other people around the world.
Contact:	Mrs Stunell

Year 10: SOCIAL STUDIES

Compulsory

Course Length:	Full Year
Course Description:	Students study people and places to understand society. Students will learn three main topics. They will delve into New Zealand's history and our nation's founding document, Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Students will learn how governments operate and how this differ. Students will also look into human rights with a focus on issues from the past and issues today in our current society. These issues include slavery and the death penalty. They will use this knowledge to participate in the Freedom Day Challenge.
Contact:	Mrs Stunell

Year 9: COMMERCE

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	Students will explore the skills and knowledge to manage their own personal finances and understand the world around them. The course leads on the Year 10 Commerce which builds on these skills to lead to senior subjects including Accounting, Economics and / or Business studies.
Contact:	Mrs Blakeborough

Year 10: COMMERCE

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Satisfactory achievement in Year 9 Commerce or Year 9 English
Course Description:	<p>Students will learn the skills and knowledge to help them understand the wide world of Commerce!</p> <p>This includes a 3 credit NCEA Level 1 Economics standard looking at independence between sectors of the economy and a 3 credit assessment for NCEA Level 1 Accounting which explores personal budgeting. This course is a pivotal step towards success in Level 1 Commerce which leads on to Level 2 and Level 3 Accounting, Business Studies and / or Economics.</p>
Contact:	Mrs Blakeborough

SPANISH

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
SPANISH	Spanish	Spanish			

Year 9: SPANISH

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	Students will experience the Spanish language through listening, reading, writing and speaking. Topics will include personal presentation, family and friends, personal hobbies and daily routines and how to structure and communicate in simple sentences.
Contact:	Miss Husband

Year 10: SPANISH

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Course Description:	This is a continuation of learning the Spanish language through listening, reading, writing and speaking. Topics will include personal presentation, family and friends, personal hobbies and daily routines and how to structure and communicate in simple sentences.
Contact:	Miss Husband

SPORTS ACADEMY

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
SPORT PERFORMANCE ACADEMY	Football Netball Rugby	Football Netball Rugby			

Year 9: SPORTS ACADEMY: FOOTBALL, NETBALL, RUGBY

Course Costs:	Sports Academy Uniform and specialist skills/coaching courses \$45.00
Pre-Requisites:	Students must indicate their intention to apply for one of the Sports Performance Academies on the option form. Students and parents will be advised of the trial date/time via email.
All Sports Performance Academy students must play in a school team in their chosen sport	
Course Description:	Year 9 Sports Performance Academies provide the foundation for students to focus on developing high level skills, movement, offensive and defensive team strategies in the sports of Netball, Rugby or Football. Whilst the course is mainly practical sessions, there will be a unit covering rules and referring/umpiring in their respective sports.
Contact:	Mr Faunt

NOTE: This is a FULL YEAR Course

Year 10: SPORTS ACADEMY: FOOTBALL, NETBALL, RUGBY

Course Costs:	Sports Academy Uniform and specialist skills/coaching courses \$45.00
Pre-Requisites:	Students must indicate their intention to apply for one of the Sports Performance Academies on the option form. Students and parents will be advised of the trial date/time via email.
All Sports Performance Academy students must play in a school team in their chosen sport	
Course Description:	Students learn how to develop and improve their performance in their chosen sport through fitness testing, nutrition and specific sports-related skills and drills. They learn about the history and development of their academy sport, as well as sports injury and injury prevention. They learn how to referee and will complete the New Zealand referees' course in their sport. (The course will consist of three practical lessons and one theory lesson per week).
Contact:	Mr Faunt

NOTE: This is a FULL YEAR Course

TE REO MĀORI

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
TE REO MĀORI	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori	Te Reo Māori*
TE AO MĀORI		Te Ao Māori			

Year 9: TE REO MĀORI

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Pre-Requisites:	Open entry
Course Description:	Ākonga learn to communicate in basic Te Reo Māori (oral and written) and will gain an understanding of tikanga Māori on the Marae and in the classroom
Contact:	Matua Terry Kimiangatau Whaea Shanna Rope

Year 10: TE REO MĀORI

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Year 9 Te Reo Māori or Curriculum Leader approval
Course Description:	<p>Students learn to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a basic competence in oral Māori • Develop a basic competence in writing Māori • Develop the ability to comprehend written Māori • Foster an understanding of tikanga Māori through explanation and performance • Grow in a Māori environment <p>This course prepares students for NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Māori.</p>
Contact:	Whaea Shanna Rope

Year 10: TE AO MĀORI

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Year 9 Te Reo Māori or Curriculum Leader approval
Course Description:	<p>The class is intended to support Māori students in reconnecting with and celebrating their cultural identity in a way that is accessible, engaging, and grounded in lived experience. It offers an alternative space focused on cultural understanding and practical application, opening up learning in a way that celebrates tikanga, community, and connection. This course is open to any students who are interested in learning about Te Ao Māori, enhancing cultural understanding across the school community.</p> <p>This course prepares students for NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Māori.</p>
Contact:	Whaea Shanna Rope

TECHNOLOGY

	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
TECHNOLOGY	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication	Design & Visual Communication*
	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies	Digital Technologies*
	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology	Food Technology*
				Hospitality	Hospitality
	Media Studies	Media Studies	Media Studies	Media Studies	Media Studies*
	Product Design	Product Design	Product Design	Product Design	Product Design*
			Trades 1	Trades 2	Trades 3
	Textiles				

Year 9: DESIGN AND VISUAL COMMUNICATION (Graphics)

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Costs:	TBC - for take home component of materials
Course Description:	<p>To promote an active interest and basic understanding of freehand sketching, rendering and design process. Students will learn a basic introduction to design and how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and freehand sketch organic and engineered shapes factoring into account proportion and size. • Render freehand shapes to indicate tonal qualities, form and surface qualities. • Use Formal drawing skills to produce perspective, conceptual drawings
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 10: DESIGN AND VISUAL COMMUNICATION (Graphics)

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Course Costs:	TBC - for take home component of materials
Course Description:	<p>Students will develop comprehensive freehand sketching, rendering and instrumental drawing skills and knowledge. Technological design processes will be explored in a range of design projects allowing students to express creativity in their critical thinking. Students will learn how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and freehand sketch organic and engineered shapes factoring into account proportion and scale • Render freehand shapes to indicate tonal qualities, form and surface qualities • Develop their formal drawing skills to produce two point perspective conceptual drawings • Resolve packaging, product, landscape and spatial design projects • Use CAD (Google Sketchup) to present their designs

Contact:	Mrs van Rossum
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Year 9: DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	Students are introduced to computational thinking covering coding, hardware and software basics. Students will carry out research on history of digital technologies to understand the impact that digital technology has on our lives. They will learn about web page design and create their own web pages.
Contact:	Mrs Davis

Year 10: DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Pre-Requisites:	Entry into this course requires excellent achievement in Year 9 Digital Technologies and good literacy and numeracy skills.
Course Description:	<p>This course focuses on digital infrastructure, digital systems, digital society and the use of basic digital concepts and tools to produce a wide range of digital media outcomes. Students will learn about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computational thinking covering digital infrastructure, computer hardware and software, coding and computer networks. • Digital technologies and society, the evolving nature of careers. The history of DTG and the process that drives change, the implication of these changes on the way we live. • Effective use of digital technologies: data integrity and data management. • Graphics, still images and animation. Animation and Cell animation and the development of computer animation technologies through time. • Web page design skills and HTML coding. • The use of a wide range of computer applications like MS Word, MS Publisher, MS PowerPoint, MS Excel and Photoshop to produce effective digital media outcomes (DDDO). • Document design and document creation principles: plan, design, produce and evaluate specified digital outcomes fit for the purpose.
Contact:	Mrs Davis

Year 9: FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Costs:	TBC - for take home component of materials
Course Description:	Students will learn health and safety skills for a kitchen environment. Develop knowledge, understanding and skills relating to a diverse range of activities involved in food technology. Students will also learn to evaluate relationships between food technology, nutritional status and the consequences of food choices.
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 10: FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Course Costs:	TBC - for take home component of materials
Course Description:	This course introduces students to the technological steps involved in the preparation and development of new food products for a range of events, cultures and people. Students will learn the importance of nutrition, safe kitchen behaviour, presentation and design skills while creating delicious food from all over the world.
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 9: MEDIA STUDIES

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	Media studies at Year 9 focuses on introducing students to the language and techniques of “media” . WE investigate how media conveys certain ideas and meanings to audiences, but more importantly how those messages can be altered or reinterpreted. One of the more unique aspects of Media Studies is that students will be able to tap into the creative side and produce a media product. The planning and execution of this media product through digital tools and the Abode Creative Cloud Suite will be a primary focus of this course.
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 10: MEDIA STUDIES

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Course Description:	Media Studies at Year 10 focuses on some of the issues that surround your own use of media platforms (social media, TV/film, news sources, radio/podcast), and also provides an opportunity to create a media product and tap into your creative side. Media Studies prepares you for a life of thinking critically about what you are consuming and creating and will help you to be a media literate citizen. The course is designed for students who are innovative, enjoy using technology and have an interest in the media. (This includes film, video-gaming and print).
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 9: PRODUCT DESIGN

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Costs:	TBC - for take home component of materials
Course Description:	Students will learn to use design processes to produce solutions to real life technological needs. Through the making of their designs students will develop basic workshop skills when working with wood, plastics and metal to produce solutions to the design tasks. Students will also begin to explore the impact of technology on the wider community.
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 10: PRODUCT DESIGN

Course Length:	One Semester (2 Terms)
Course Costs:	TBC - for take home component of materials
Course Description:	Students will learn how to use design processes and basic workshop equipment to produce technological solutions to identified real life needs or opportunities. Students will investigate and utilise a range of resistant materials including metal, wood and various plastics, with basic skills of cutting, shaping, moulding, sanding and finishing developed throughout the production of student's designs. Additionally, students will begin to develop an understanding of the relationship between society, the environment and technology, and the effects that design decisions can have on these.
Contact:	Mrs van Rossum

Year 9: TEXTILES

Course Length:	One Trimester (12 weeks)
Course Description:	In this exciting new addition to One Tree Hill College Technology, students will explore the design process and work with a range of materials to produce an original piece of Textile design. Students will be introduced to fabric manipulation techniques, develop their own prints, and create sustainable solutions for an identified issue.
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