



NAMBOUR

CHRISTIAN COLLEGE



ACADEMIC PROGRAM

YEAR 7

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YEAR 7 CURRICULUM MATRIX - 2027

Students in Year 7 are required to study the following Core Subjects:

CORE:	English Humanities HPE Japanese/French Maths Science Participate in Chapel, Assembly, House Meetings, Pastoral Care
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Year 7 students have the opportunity of experiencing a whole range of other subjects as part of their first year in the Nambour Christian College Middle School. It is a time of exposure to new areas of learning and provides the chance for students to uncover their gifts and talents. The students will rotate through a variety of Technology, Creative and Performing Arts, Science and Humanities Subjects throughout the year:

ROTATION SUBJECTS	Agricultural Science Art Bible Studies Business, Economics and Law Compass Design Digital Solutions Drama Food and Nutrition Industrial Technology Media Music
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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS ~ YEAR 7 ELECTIVES

The Course Descriptions on the following pages provide parents and students with a guide to the nature of each of the offerings the students will experience in Year 7.

Agricultural Science

Agricultural Science is an exciting subject where students get to make and maintain their own vegetable patch, harvest the produce they have grown, and take it home. We grow our vegetables without pesticides and full of the goodness a healthy soil can provide.

Students also learn basic animal handling skills using the miniature horses, a little bit of pet care and explore the role and importance of agriculture in Australia today. We even look at possible careers in agriculture.

Agricultural Science will give them a sound understanding of the principle outlined in this saying: "Healthy soil, healthy plants, healthy humans, healthy planet", and encourage them to consider how they can both be aware and involved in this vital process.





Art

Art students study a Still Life unit learning the elements and principles of Art. Many different 2D media are explored including acrylic paint, pastels, watercolours, pencil, charcoal and fine point pen.

Students look at various artists including Matisse, Chagall, Picasso and the Dutch Masters whilst exploring various skills and compositional devises. This unit is designed to build skills and understanding of artists and their practices.

Digital Solutions

Digital Solutions is a short course that introduces students to specific Information Technology concepts.

Students are made aware of the ever increasing need for 'Digital Safety' in a technological world. Social Media, Cyber Bullying and Internet Scams are just some of the topics covered.

The major unit covers web page design and creation using a high end development package. Students are made aware of good design principles including the use of colour and white space.

Students may also review existing web sites and investigate whether those web sites provide accurate, up-to-date, appropriate and relevant content.



Drama

Drama for Year 7 is an introduction to the Elements of Drama. Through exploring these elements, students build skills in devising original scenarios, improvisation, confidence and team building.

This unit is a fun, interactive way of learning the fundamentals of Drama which are built on in subsequent years.



Food & Nutrition

Food and Nutrition aims to introduce students to the world of cooking.

The students will study Nutritional Value in Food, with emphasis on a Balanced Diet. They will also learn the basics in knife handling and cookery skills.

Each student has the opportunity to produce good quality items and learn to understand how to eat healthily, making them think about what foods they consume, whether these are healthy & nutritious options or not.

Students will cook simple, nutritious meals and will be encouraged to reproduce them easily at home.

Cost: There is an extra cost to this subject for ingredients ranging from \$20-\$35 per term depending on the year level.



Business, Economics and Law

In Business, Economics and Law, students build foundational knowledge and skills to navigate the world of commerce and active citizenship. Across Years 7 to 9, students explore how economic systems operate and the role of consumers, producers, and governments within these systems. They examine the influences on consumer and financial decision-making, including understanding budgeting, saving, and setting financial goals. Students develop an understanding of rights and responsibilities in economic and social contexts, including how to evaluate terms and conditions, compare product offerings, and make ethical and informed consumer choices. Through the investigation of current economic and business issues, students apply decision-making strategies and critical thinking skills to assess which options best meet diverse needs, equipping them to make informed decisions in both personal and community contexts.

Students also learn about Australia's legal and political systems, the importance of democratic participation, and the rights and responsibilities of individuals within society. They consider how business and government decisions impact communities and the environment, gaining insight into sustainable economic practices and responsible citizenship.

As part of their studies, students have the opportunity to participate in the ASX Sharemarket Game, where they learn practical tips and strategies for investing in the stock exchange. This experience enhances their understanding of financial markets and introduces them to fundamental investment principles.

Practical skills, like touch typing, are embedded in the course, with opportunities for students to compete and improve their accuracy and speed, contributing to their digital literacy.



Design

Design students will gain skills from a variety of experiences in graphical design, concepts and skills.

This is a practical based subject. Some opportunity will be given to experience the Areas of Computer Aided Drafting (CAD).

Industrial Technology and Design

Industrial Technology students will gain skills from a variety of experiences using workshop equipment. They will work at their own pace through a series of self-contained units which include some theory as well as a set project.

The emphasis is on the practical element of the subject. Students will be encouraged to have some input into the design of their projects in preparation for the senior subjects.

This is a practical based subject. Some opportunity will be given to experience the Areas of Computer Aided Drafting (CAD).

Homework will be used as a basis for consolidating work covered in class.





Media

Media students will explore the techniques and processes of photography, exploring light, exposure, framing and composition.

Students will learn how to take an effective photo and then investigate photo manipulation software to change, enhance and improve their images for display.

Students also learn the basics of InDesign to create a magazine.

Music

Music students will study beginner guitar, ukulele, rhythm and percussion skills relevant to the Queensland Arts Syllabus.

Students learn the basic techniques for playing the guitar and learn several chords and strumming techniques that allow them to play a myriad of songs.

Students learn to use current technology to tune their guitar, thus enhancing their aural musicianship skills and explore extension chords to enable them to play more advanced songs and pieces. Students are also introduced to the notation and composing program, Sibelius 6, to learn how music is created and structured by creating their own percussion piece.

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