



# Ellenbrook

Secondary College

## Year 9 – 2021 Handbook

Please note - All costings provided for subjects have been approved by the Finance Committee and endorsed by the College Board and are based on the information available at the time of print.

Some senior school subjects have Year 9 and 10 achievement and pathway prerequisites; this information is available in the Year 11 handbook on the College website.

# THE ARTS

## VISUAL ARTS

Visual Art courses extend students' creative, practical and theoretical Arts understanding. They suit students who enjoy making artworks and wish to extend their Arts knowledge.

### ***Printmaking & Textiles - Cost: \$35\* per semester***

During this course you will create artworks using print and textile techniques such as stencilling and sewing onto a variety of surfaces and fabrics. You will be embellishing images with stitching, added decorations and text. You will also develop an appreciation of your own artwork and that of other artists, cultures and movements as well as further your own vocabulary of visual arts terminology.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

### ***Graphics and Illustration - Cost: \$12 per semester***

Develop your graphic skills through drawing and illustration. You will produce designs such as a unique Google design, poster and typography using symbols, words and images. You will also be using the techniques and style of a children's book illustrator to create your own illustration. This course will help you develop an appreciation of your own artwork and that of other designers and illustrators whilst furthering your own vocabulary of visual arts terminology.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

### ***Ceramics and Sculpture - Cost: \$45\* per semester***

In this course you have the opportunity to create unique three dimensional artworks with clay, wire, paper and recycled objects. You will also develop an appreciation of your own artwork and that of other artists, cultures and movements as well as further your own vocabulary of visual arts terminology.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

### ***Drawing & Painting - Cost: \$40\* per semester***

In this course you will be provided with opportunities to experiment with and develop skills with materials such as acrylic paint, ink, charcoal, conte and graphite. The focus of this course will be on observation, discernment and quality whilst you explore your own location, mood and energy. You will also develop an appreciation of your own artwork and that of other artists, cultures and movements as well as further your own vocabulary of visual arts terminology.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

## DANCE

### ***Dance - Cost: \$30\* per semester***

This course will allow students to work creatively over a semester with a focus on performing in front of an audience. Students will have the opportunity to collaborate in small groups and will also participate in a whole class routine presented to a live audience. Students will work on dance technique, choreography, movement and flexibility in either a Contemporary or Jazz dance genre.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

### ***Street Dance - Cost: \$12 per semester***

This unit is designed for students who want to learn the foundations of Street Dance. They will explore traditional styles of Street Dance such as popping, locking, hip-hop styles and urban choreography. This course will not only focus on building rhythm, foundation and technique but will also teach students how to choreograph their own routines.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

## DRAMA

### ***The Actor in Me - Cost: \$30\* per semester***

For students who enjoy performing, this course will look at developing skills in characterisation, script analysis and theatre styles. Students will be involved in small scale performances that will allow them to look at the “behind-the-scenes” elements of Theatre. *This course is recommended for students who endeavour to continue studying Drama into upper school.*

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

### ***Impromania - Cost: \$12 per semester***

Students who enjoy performing their own ideas and characters will thrive in this fast paced, energetic and creative course. Students will have opportunities to develop their improvisation skills in both devised and spontaneous improvisation workshops and performances. This is a practical, performance based course which will allow students to build confidence while having fun. Students will be required to work and perform both individually and collaboratively with peers.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

## MEDIA

### ***Photography Design - Cost: \$30\* (Semester 1)***

This unit provides a good introduction to photography and design skills. Students learn the elements and principles of design and demonstrate their understanding by taking various photographs in different settings. They will also be introduced to basic skills in digital editing, by using Adobe Photoshop software. Whilst this is a practical subject, students will also be required to complete written assignments, designed to demonstrate their understanding of the course content.

### **Photography Skills - Cost: \$30\* (Semester 2)**

This unit provides a good introduction to photography and design skills. Students take a series of photographs in different contexts, looking at different camera angles and composition techniques. They will also be introduced to more advanced skills in digital editing by using Adobe Photoshop software. Whilst this is a practical subject, students will also be required to complete written assignments designed to demonstrate their understanding of the course content.

### **Media Studies: Introduction to Filmmaking - Cost: \$12 (Semester 1)**

In this unit students will have the opportunity to understand how the filmmaking process works in the creation of their own film. Students will work through capturing sound, editing and recording video in the production of a short film. Students will develop a range of production skills; including scriptwriting, storyboarding, recording Foley, camera work and digital editing. Whilst this is a practical subject, students will also be required to complete written assignments designed to demonstrate their understanding of the course content.

### **Media Studies: Music Videos - Cost: \$30\* (Semester 2)**

In this unit students will have the opportunity to learn about the creation of music videos and cover art for music artists. Through the creation of media projects, students will develop a range of production skills; including storyboarding, photography, camera work and digital editing, in both Adobe Photoshop and Premiere Pro. Whilst this is a practical subject, students will also be required to complete written assignments designed to demonstrate their understanding of the course content.

## **MUSIC**

### **Specialist Music (Instrumental and Vocal IMSS students) - Cost: \$30\* per semester** [Students involved in the Instrumental and Vocal programs MUST select this course]

This course is designed to cater for the Music Specialist students who are involved in the instrumental and vocal program. Students will be involved in building upon foundations of their Aural, Theory, Composition and Performance skills through Concert Practices and basic music knowledge via a Western Art context. This exciting and innovative course will enable you to analyse, interpret and perform their works to a much greater level of understanding and enjoyment.

### **General Music Studies - Contemporary Music and the Media - Cost: \$30\* per semester**

This course is designed for students who have a passion and interest in Music but who don't necessarily read music notation or play an instrument. This course will be looking at music in society and its use in Media Advertising and the entertainment industry. Students will be engaged in writing, composing and performing their own works in a wide range of genres and further developing their performance and song-writing skills. Whichever your creative avenue in music; be it singing, production, rapping, instrumental, writing or recording, then this course will allow you to take your musicality and creative skills wherever you want to go.

This course will be offered in both semester 1 and 2. Students may choose to study it in one or the other or both.

# TECHNOLOGIES

Technologies curriculum is delivered in the two areas of Design and Technologies and Digital Technologies. The content and delivery for these courses are suitable for both male and female students. Every effort has been made to select activities and exercises that appeal to all students.

## DESIGN TECHNOLOGIES / MATERIAL & TECHNOLOGIES SPECIALISATIONS

### ***Metalcraft - Cost: \$45\* (Semester 1)***

This subject further develops students' competence in the use of metalworking tools and equipment in both a metals and jewellery context. Students are introduced to various processes including safety considerations, shaping and manipulating wire and sheet metal, silver soldering, brazing and MIG Welding. They will work with brass, copper, coated metals and mild steel to produce a range of projects.

### ***Metalcraft - Cost: \$45\* (Semester 2)***

This unit further develops students' competence in the use of metalworking tools, machines and equipment in a metals, art metals and jewellery context. Students will utilise various processes including shaping and manipulating wire and sheet materials (mild steel, copper, brass etc.), twisting of metals, silver soldering and brazing, lathe work, and cuttlefish casting. There is an opportunity for students to develop simple projects of personal design.

### ***Woodwork - Cost: \$45\* (Semester 1)***

The focus of this unit is 'old school products' with students constructing a range of wooden items including a lathe turned bowl and footy clacker. This unit continues to build students skills and knowledge from previous woodwork classes through the safe use of machines, power tools and hand tools. Woodwork is a predominately practical subject where the emphasis is placed on work with wood and wooden products and the skills to produce a quality finished item.

### ***Woodwork - Cost: \$45\* (Semester 2)***

The focus of this unit is toys with students constructing a range of wooden toys, including a Co2 Dragster. This unit builds on skills and knowledge from previous years through the safe use of machines, power tools and hand tools. Woodwork is a practical subject where the emphasis is placed on work with wood and wooden products and the skills to produce a quality finished item.

### ***Home Workshop - Cost: \$45\* per semester***

This is an introductory unit in the area of Building and Construction. Students will be given the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge to undertake simple DIY tasks around the home. Students enrolled in this course will be taught basic bricklaying, paving, concreting, carpentry, painting and tiling skills as well as general home handyman skills. This is a great unit for anyone interested in following a career in the construction industry, as well as students generally interested in the DIY culture.

### ***Mechatronics - Cost: \$60\* per semester***

In this course students develop skills in mechanical and electrical studies. Student apply those skills in mechatronics & robotics. Students will be required to design and construct a device which combines both mechanical components and electrical/electronic components to an autonomous project as defined in a design brief. Emphasis will be on

taking a project from concept through the design process to completion and then evaluating the result against the design brief. Students will use both hand and machine tools and are expected to use a micro-controller to control their constructed machine.

## HOME ECONOMICS

### ***International Foods - Cost: \$50\* (Semester 1)***

Bon Appetite! You have the opportunity to - sample, cook and eat foods from around the world. This course takes students on a culinary tour of the world, where students learn about the cuisine and culture of different countries. Visit Italy, France, Greece... then perhaps onto Mexico, the US and then onto Asia for a curry. Students also develop more advanced food preparation skills as they learn to appreciate the climatic, religious, traditional and social factors that influence food culture.

*Please note that a consumable charge will be attached this course to cover ingredient costs for all students. To support the school initiative an extra charge of 20 cents per container and 5 cents for forks, spoons and knives will apply as we encourage students to recycle and reuse.*

### ***Snack Attack - Cost: \$50\* (Semester 2)***

Teenagers love to eat! So let's teach our students how to cook great tasting food that's quick to prepare and even (just secretly) better for you than bought food and fast food. Students will learn about what influences their choices in what they eat, how to get value for their money in buying food and some great recipes along the way. Students will make tasty snack recipes like nachos, burgers and pizza. So, the next time you get hungry instead of reaching for some fast food or a packet of biscuits, you will have a whole repertoire of snacks to make in minutes!

*Please note that a consumable charge will be attached this course to cover ingredient costs for all students. To support the school initiative an extra charge of 20 cents per container and 5 cents for forks, spoons and knives will apply as we encourage students to recycle and reuse.*

### ***Caring for Children - Cost: \$25\* (Semester 1)***

Are you interested in working in the child care industry? This course introduces you to the skills and knowledge associated with caring for children. The role the family plays in the development of young children through food, language, sleep, books, play and safety of young children from 0 – 5 years.

Students will undertake practical and theory activities designed to enhance a child's development such as craft and cooking – creating a scrapbook of their own baby years, play items and interacting with young children.

### ***Caring for Children - Cost: \$25\* (Semester 2)***

Caring for Children and their development is an essential part of care giving. In this course students will understand the role of play in a child's development, the safety requirements and activities to enhance their learning through play. They will develop activities to use while caring for children.

Students will undertake a range of practical activities such as craft and sewing to create items for children plus, explore a range of careers involving caring for children. They will also look at the nutritional needs of a preschool aged child and develop an appropriate meal.

### ***Fashion/Textiles - Cost: \$25\* (Semester 1)***

This course offers students the opportunity to develop their basic textiles skills. They will build on their sewing knowledge, work with different fabrics, understand how fabrics are made through varied construction techniques and what is in fashion.

Students who take on this course will learn to produce a range of garments for themselves. They will be encouraged to try new construction techniques and use the overlocker as part of their garment construction. Students will work through a design task to make a garment of their own design, adapted from commercial patterns. They are encouraged to apply their flair and creativity.

*Please note – if students choose this course, they will need to supply some fabrics etc. for their projects. Basic materials and equipment will be supplied in negotiation with each student and the requirements of their design work.*

### ***Fashion/Textiles - Cost: \$25\* (Semester 2)***

This course offers students the opportunity to create fashion, craft and accessories that reflect the current trends in our society and fashions of the season. Students who take on this course will learn how to quickly produce clothes and accessories that look good, are cheaper than the ones in the shops and are a reflection of their own style and individuality.

Students will be encouraged to investigate current fashion trends and bring in their ideas of what they would like to make. Along the way, students will learn more advanced sewing and construction skills, such as using the overlocker. Students will also learn about the world of fashion and designers, where their clothes come from and how to groom themselves!

*Please note – if students choose this course, they will need to supply some fabrics etc. for their projects. Basic materials and equipment will be supplied in negotiation with each student and the requirements of their design work.*

## **DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES**

### ***Coding Skills – Cost \$12 (Semester 1)***

This course will provide programming techniques to develop a deep understanding of game design and app development. Design considerations for mobile technologies will be investigated and current and future trends in industry will be researched. This knowledge will then be applied in developing games for use in either desktop or mobile technologies.

### ***Computer Science– Cost: \$12 (Semester 2)***

In this course students will develop computational thinking skills by considering current computer and network systems and then apply this knowledge to create solutions to real world problems.

### ***Graphic Design – Cost \$12 (Semester 1)***

In this course students develop skills in software applications including desktop publishing, presentation, web design and interactive systems. Logos, advertisements and animations will be created using the Adobe CC suite.

### ***Multimedia Design – Cost \$12 (Semester 2)***

In this course students develop skills for use in the multimedia industry, creating animated illustrations and incorporating audio and video to produce interactive multimedia products using the Adobe CC suite.

**Business Start-ups - Cost: \$12 (Semester 1)**

The world of business is dynamic and exciting. It demands certain skills and attributes which students will be given the opportunity to develop. Students will learn what it takes to become a successful and innovative entrepreneur, learning the basics of small business start-ups and the different marketing techniques required to promote their business ideas.

**Small Business - Cost: \$12 (Semester 2)**

The main focus for this course is to provide practical skills and knowledge associated with running a small business. This subject is designed to develop an understanding of the nature and purpose of small business and the opportunities it provides for employment including self-employment. Students will look at market research, entrepreneurial skills, location, business plans and marketing techniques.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

**General Physical Education - Cost: \$12 per semester**

These units will provide students with a variety of different sporting experiences each semester as well as developing general fitness, skills and knowledge. During semester one, students will learn the skills, strategies and tactics of Grass Hockey, Softball and Gaelic Rules Football. Semester two includes athletic and Grass Volleyball.

**AFL Specialist - Cost: \$55.00\* per semester**

In this unit, students are given the opportunity to extend their knowledge of the rules and strategies of football. Greater emphasis is placed on all aspects of the sport, ranging from skill development to fitness requirements (draft camp testing), game strategies and coaching. There may be additional activities such as visits to the Fremantle Dockers and West Coast Eagles facilities/games, which will incur extra costs.

*This course is specifically for students who are experienced in playing to club standard in football – this is an intensive course that requires a good level of skill and a clear understanding of the rules and regulations of the game. Parents will be required to sign a contract to secure a place in this course and students may be removed from this program should their behaviour or standard of participation be deemed unacceptable.*

**Prerequisites:**

- *It is expected that students partaking in this course are actively involved in Ellenbrook Secondary College's afterschool football teams.*
- *Students are expected to come to AFL Specialist with their PE uniform. Failure to bring their uniform regularly will result in removal from class.*
- *Students attendance at school needs to be 90% or higher to remain in the course.*
- *Students must behave in accordance with ESC's behaviour management plan in all classes across the college to remain a suitable candidate for the course.*
- *Students must have achieved a minimum of a B grade for General Physical Education in order to be eligible for this course.*



**Netball Specialist - Cost: \$50\* per semester**

This course allows students the opportunity to extend their knowledge of the game of netball. Greater emphasis is placed on all aspects of the sports ranging from skill development, to fitness requirements, game strategies and the chance to gain their umpiring qualification.

*This course is specifically for students who are experienced in playing to club standard in netball – this is an intensive course that requires a good level of skill and a clear understanding of the rules and regulations of the game. Students may be removed from this program should their behaviour or standard of participation be deemed unacceptable.*

Prerequisites:

- Students selecting this course must have successfully participated in a netball trial conducted by Mrs Rumble in Term 2 the previous year.
- Students attendance at school needs to be 90% or higher to remain in the course.
- Students must have achieved a minimum of a B Grade for General Physical Education.

**Physical Recreation - Cost: \$50\* (Semester 1)**

In Physical Recreation students are exposed to sports and recreational activities that would not otherwise be a part of the Physical Education curriculum. This unit encompasses but is not limited to Floor Ball, Vortex Sports, Badminton, Ultimate Frisbee, Muay Thai, Table Tennis, Fitness Suite sessions and social sports.

**Physical Recreation - Cost: \$50\* (Semester 2)**

In Physical Recreation students are given exposure to sports and recreational activities that would not otherwise be a part of the Physical Education curriculum. This unit encompasses but is not limited to Indoor soccer, Vortex Sports, CrossFit and Fitness Suite sessions.

ALL PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES HAVE AN ATHLETICS COMPONENT  
IN SEMESTER 2 AS BUILD UP TO THE WHOLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS  
CARNIVAL

*\* Denotes a high cost option and incurs a compulsory course charge.*