SOUTHLAND BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

YEAR 9 & 10 CURRICULUM PATHWAYS 2026

TE ARA WHAKAMUA

THE PATHWAY FORWARD

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI & WELCOME

OUR VISION

To empower the southern leaders of tomorrow by providing a holistic education that reflects their culture, needs, aspirations, and interests. At SBHS, learning is grounded in our place and people - our curriculum is created by our community, for our community.

OUR APPROACH

We aim to nurture rangatahi who are confident in who they are, connected to where they come from, and prepared to succeed in a rapidly changing world.

We aim to give our rangatahi the tools to meet the demands of modern education on their terms - using their skills and passions to succeed in both learning and assessment. Differentiation is central to our approach.

CORE FOCUS

Before progressing through NCEA, students must pass the co-requisite exams in Reading, Writing, and Numeracy. While these assessments don't fully reflect English and Mathematics curricula, they remain the clearest measure of these skills.

To support success, we offer different levels of English and Mathematics in Years 9 and 10, giving students the right level of challenge and support.

KAUPAPA LEARNING

In Social Sciences, Sciences, and Health & Physical Wellbeing, students take 20-week kaupapa courses. Each course teaches the same core skills but within different contexts, allowing boys to learn through areas that spark their interest and passion.

OPTIONS & PATHWAYS

Traditional option subjects are spread across the timetable, giving students the freedom to build engaging, rigorous pathways towards NCEA and the co-requisite exams.

PLEASE NOTE

While we strive to meet every student's choices, course sizes are capped, and some students may not receive their full selection.

Ray Laurenson

Rector of Southland Boys' High School

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Faculty of MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

Studying Mathematics and Statistics is essential for developing critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical skills. These disciplines help students interpret data, understand patterns, and make informed decisions - skills that are increasingly vital in our data-driven world. Whether exploring scientific phenomena, analysing historical trends, or managing financial literacy, Mathematics and Statistics provide the tools to engage with content across the curriculum.

Their relevance extends beyond school into future pathways, equipping students for careers in engineering, data science, education, business, and more.

Mathematics and Statistics is offered through a dynamic banding system, allowing students to choose the level that best suits their current needs and aspirations. This flexible approach ensures that learners are both challenged and supported, with the opportunity to move between bands during the year if their progress or goals change. It empowers students to take ownership of their learning journey while maintaining access to the support and extension they require.

Y9 - CHOOSE ONE FULL YEAR COURSE

(9MTE) Y9 MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS EXTENDING

This course is aimed at those students who have shown high levels of achievement in Year 8 Mathematics and Statistics. This course will focus on embedding and extending the knowledge covered in the early stages of phase 4 in the upcoming NZ curriculum. This depth of knowledge is recommended for students wishing to perform well in the Year 10 Mathematics and Statistics (extending) course.

(9MTK) Y9 MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS KNOWLEDGE

This course is aimed at those students who wish to consolidate the solid mathematical base gained in Year 8 Mathematics and Statistics. This course will focus on embedding the knowledge covered in the early stages of phase 4 in the upcoming NZ curriculum. It will provide students with the ability to progress to either the Year 10 Mathematics and Statistics (knowledge) course or the Year 10 Mathematics and Statistics (extending) course.

Y10 - CHOOSE ONE FULL YEAR COURSE

(10MTE) 10 MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS EXTENDING

This course is aimed at those students who have shown high levels of achievement in Year 9 Mathematics and Statistics. This is a comprehensive course, focusing on the knowledge at the upper end of phase 4 in the upcoming NZ curriculum. This depth of knowledge is recommended for students wishing to perform well in the NCEA Level 1 (extending) course at Year 11.

(10MTK) Y10 MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS KNOWLEDGE

This course is aimed at those students who wish to consolidate the solid mathematical base gained in Year 9 Mathematics and Statistics.This course provides full coverage of phase 4 in the upcoming NZ curriculum. It will provide students with the ability to progress to either the NCEA Level 1 (knowledge) course or the NCEA Level 1 (extending) course at Year 11.

Faculty of ENGLISH

Studying English is fundamental to developing strong communication, critical thinking, and creative expression skills that support success across all learning areas. Through reading, writing, speaking, and listening, students learn to interpret and construct meaning, engage with diverse perspectives, and express themselves with clarity and confidence. English connects with subjects such as history, social sciences, and the arts, where understanding context, tone, and narrative is essential. It also enhances learning in science and technology by fostering precise language use and the ability to communicate complex ideas effectively.

English is offered through a dynamic banding system that allows students to select the level that best suits their current learning needs and goals. This flexible approach ensures that students are both supported and challenged, with the opportunity to move between bands during the year if their progress or goals change. It encourages learners to take ownership of their development while maintaining access to tailored support and extension opportunities.

Y9 - CHOOSE ONE FULL YEAR COURSE

(9ENE) Y9 ENGLISH EXTENDING

Get ready to supercharge your reading, writing, and thinking skills!
In this English course, you'll gain the literacy tools you need to open doors to future learning, career opportunities, and active participation in your community. You will learn how to read critically, uncover meaning in all kinds of texts, and adapt your reading for different purposes. This course will help you grow into a confident, creative, and capable reader.

This is an academic course designed for independent and motivated learners.

(9ENK) Y9 ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE

This is more than just English - it is about giving you the skills and confidence to succeed in school, work, and life. In this course, you will sharpen your reading and writing abilities, learn to think critically, and explore texts from different perspectives and for different purposes. We will make meaningful connections through written and visual texts. These texts will build your knowledge and creativity so you can take your learning further.

This course is designed for students who want to improve their English understanding, with guidance from the teacher.

(9ENS) Y9 ENGLISH SKILLS

In 2026, we are introducing an exciting new English course designed for students who will thrive with more personalised, structured support. Working in a small, focused group, you will strengthen your literacy skills through targeted learning opportunities. Alongside developing essential reading and writing skills, you will explore connections to your own life. You will build the confidence to apply these skills in everyday situations that require basic reading and writing skills.

This course is designed for students who need significant literacy help with their learning

Y10 - CHOOSE ONE FULL YEAR COURSE

(10ENE) Y10 ENGLISH EXTENDING

Year 10 English is about taking your skills to the next level! You will expand your reading and writing abilities so you are ready for the challenges of NCEA and beyond. This year, you will have the chance to gain the co-requisite literacy standards in Reading and Writing (5 credits each) — essential for NCEA success. By the end of the course, you will be well on your way to being a confident, capable, and critical communicator.

This course is designed for independent and motivated learners.

(10ENK) Y10 ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE

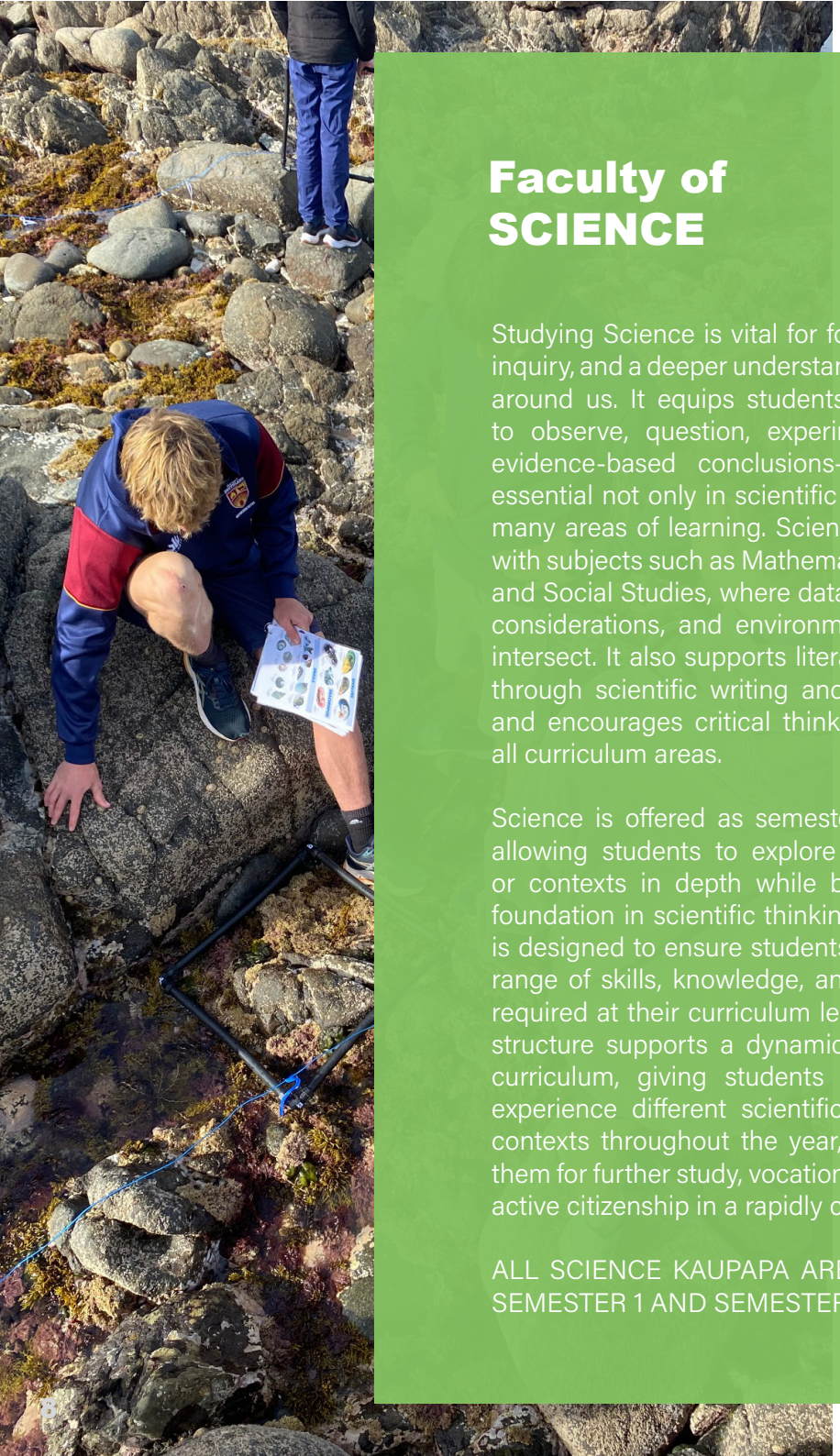
This Year 10 course is designed to extend and challenge your reading and writing skills so you are fully prepared for the demands of NCEA. You will have the opportunity to gain the co-requisite literacy standards in Reading and Writing (5 credits each) — a vital step for your NCEA journey. We will give you plenty of practice to build your skills, ensuring you can communicate ideas clearly, interpret texts effectively, and step confidently into your next stage of learning.

This course is designed for students who want to improve their English understanding, with guidance from the teacher.

(10ENS) Y10 ENGLISH SKILLS

Launching in 2026, this supportive Year 10 English course is for students who benefit from a smaller, more focused learning environment. With personalised guidance, you will develop your literacy skills and prepare for the co-requisite literacy standards in Reading and Writing (5 credits each) — an essential part of NCEA.

This course is designed for students who need significant literacy help with their learning.



Faculty of SCIENCE

Studying Science is vital for fostering curiosity, inquiry, and a deeper understanding of the world around us. It equips students with the ability to observe, question, experiment, and draw evidence-based conclusions—skills that are essential not only in scientific fields but across many areas of learning. Science links naturally with subjects such as Mathematics, Technology, and Social Studies, where data analysis, ethical considerations, and environmental awareness intersect. It also supports literacy development through scientific writing and communication and encourages critical thinking that benefits all curriculum areas.

Science is offered as semester-long kaupapa, allowing students to explore specific themes or contexts in depth while building a strong foundation in scientific thinking. Each kaupapa is designed to ensure students develop the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. The kaupapa structure supports a dynamic and responsive curriculum, giving students the flexibility to experience different scientific disciplines and contexts throughout the year, while preparing them for further study, vocational pathways, and active citizenship in a rapidly changing world.

ALL SCIENCE KAUPAPA ARE AVAILABLE IN SEMESTER 1 AND SEMESTER 2 (S1&S2).

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA, ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER. IDENTIFY A BACKUP KAUPAPA SHOULD YOUR FIRST CHOICES NOT BE AVAILABLE.

(9SCIHP) HUMAN PERFORMANCE: THE ENGINE ROOM OF YOU

Explore how your body works, what helps it perform better, and how to make smart healthy choices. You'll learn about body systems like your heart, lungs, and circulation, and how they work together to keep you moving. You'll also look at microorganisms - some that help you, some that don't - and how your body adapts to things like exercise, sleep, and food. Test foods for nutrients, run experiments with enzymes, and track your own fitness, hydration, and sleep. You'll also learn how heat, energy, and materials affect your body, and use real data to make graphs, test ideas, and bust myths about energy drinks and miracle diets.

(9SCIWA) WILD AOTEAROA: HUNT, TRACK, PROTECT

Swap the lab coat for boots and explore the wild through the lens of hunting, tracking, and protecting the natural world. Investigate ecosystems, animal behaviour, and adaptations, test water quality, and explore terrain and weather systems that impact survival and success outdoors. Apply physics to understand ballistics, motion, and gear mechanics, and chemistry to test bait breakdown, corrosion, and environmental impact. Through stream studies, species guides, and ethical debates, you will connect Western science with Mātauranga Māori—learning about kaitiakitanga, traditional tools, and sustainable practices. This kaupapa builds confident, curious learners who understand how science powers real-world decisions in Aotearoa's wild places.

(9SCIGB) THINGS THAT GO BANG

Explore the thrilling side of reactions, motion, and energy. From fizzing mixtures and colourful flames to chain reactions and pressure bursts, you will investigate how substances behave and transform. Explore the chemistry and physics behind explosions, the force of car crashes, and the energy released in natural events like volcanic eruptions, while also learning how chemical reactions power living systems—like respiration and digestion. With hands-on experiments, real-world examples, and plenty of loud, fast science, this kaupapa is perfect for students who love discovery, action, and understanding the forces behind the bang.

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA, ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER. IDENTIFY A BACKUP KAUPAPA SHOULD YOUR FIRST CHOICES NOT BE AVAILABLE.

(9SCIEE) ENERGY EVERYWHERE

Come and explore the many forms of energy that power our world—from heat, light, sound, and movement to the fuels and batteries that keep things running. You will investigate how energy moves and changes, compare renewable and non-renewable sources, and discover how energy flows through food chains and fuels our bodies. You will carry out energy audits, test materials, and plan for sustainability, learning how science helps us make smart choices about energy use at home, in school, and in the wider world. It's all about seeing energy in action—everywhere.

(9SCIEM) ENGINEERING & MECHANICS: BUILD IT, TEST IT, MAKE IT MOVE

Design, build, and test machines, vehicles, and devices to explore how forces, motion, and energy make things move. Investigate materials—natural and synthetic—for strength, flexibility, and durability, and explore how living organisms use mechanics too, like muscle movement and animal adaptations for speed or grip. Explore traditional Māori engineering, including waka design and navigation using stars, tides, and landforms, comparing these with modern tools and technologies. This kaupapa empowers you to think like an engineer, problem-solve like a scientist, and appreciate the knowledge systems that have shaped the way we move through the world.

(9SCICC) CHEMICAL CHAOS: REACTIONS THAT MATTER

Dive into the exciting world of scientific reactions and discover what really makes stuff tick. Explore how solids, liquids, and gases behave—and what happens when they change state or mix together. Make bubbling potions, colourful flames, fizzy explosions, and slime that you can stretch, snap, and test. Learn how everyday materials react, why some substances burn, and how chemistry powers fireworks, sport, and tech. Explore how energy moves through systems, and how chemical reactions fuel living things—from metabolism to photosynthesis in plants. This is perfect for boys who love experimenting, problem-solving, and getting hands-on with science. Science isn't just in the lab—it's all around you!

(9SCIAA) ATOMS TO ASTEROIDS

This kaupapa zooms from the tiniest particles to the vastness of space. Come and explore the structure of atoms, elements, and chemical reactions, then launch into the cosmos to investigate planets, stars, and asteroids. Learn how forces and energy shape both atomic interactions and celestial motion and discover how space science connects to life on Earth—from radiation and gravity to the search for life beyond. This kaupapa is perfect for curious minds who want to understand what everything is made of—and where it all fits in the universe.

(10SCIHP) HUMAN PERFORMANCE: BLOOD, SWEAT AND TEARS

Push your limits and discover what your body is really capable of! Explore how your body uses oxygen, fuel, and nutrients during exercise, and how muscles, bones, and the brain work together to perform. You'll test movement, measure forces, and explore the physics behind speed, strength, and recovery. From altitude to heat, you'll investigate how the environment affects athletes, and dive into anatomy, physiology, and psychology to understand what drives peak performance. Perfect for students who are curious about how the human body works and keen to discover how science helps us train smarter, recover faster, and perform better.

(10SCIMS) MILITARY SCIENCE

Science meets strategy in this kaupapa where you'll explore how technology, physics, and biology are used in military settings. Test materials used in armour and gear, explore motion and energy in projectiles, and investigate how extreme environments—from deserts to icy mountains—affect people and equipment. You'll also look at survival science, camouflage, and how stress impacts the human body. Explore military medicine—from treating wounds in the trenches to modern advances in trauma care and battlefield recovery. This kaupapa is perfect for students who want to discover how science shapes strategy, safety, and survival.

(10SCISS) SHAKY ISLES AND SURVIVAL SCIENCE

Aotearoa sits on one of the most geologically active boundaries on Earth, making it a prime location for earthquakes, volcanoes, and tsunamis. Explore how tectonic plates move and how forces and energy shape the land. You'll test building materials to see how they respond to stress and vibration, and investigate how volcanic gases and ash affect air, water, and materials over time. Discover how natural disasters impact ecosystems and communities, and how living things adapt to unstable environments. This kaupapa helps you understand the science behind the ground we live on—and how to stay safe when it moves.

(10SCIRU) REACTIONS UNLEASHED

Get ready to mix, burn, fizz, and transform! Explore chemical reactions that power batteries, fuel engines, and keep living things alive. Test combustion, plating, and redox reactions, and investigate how energy is released, transferred, and transformed during these processes. Explore how reactions shape our planet—like erosion, corrosion, and acid rain—and how they impact ecosystems, health, and biological processes. You'll also look at how reaction rates are affected by temperature, concentration, and surface area, and use real-world examples to understand how chemistry drives technology, environmental change, and life itself. This kaupapa is perfect for students who love discovering how change happens—and why it matters.

(10SCIFO) FORENSICS

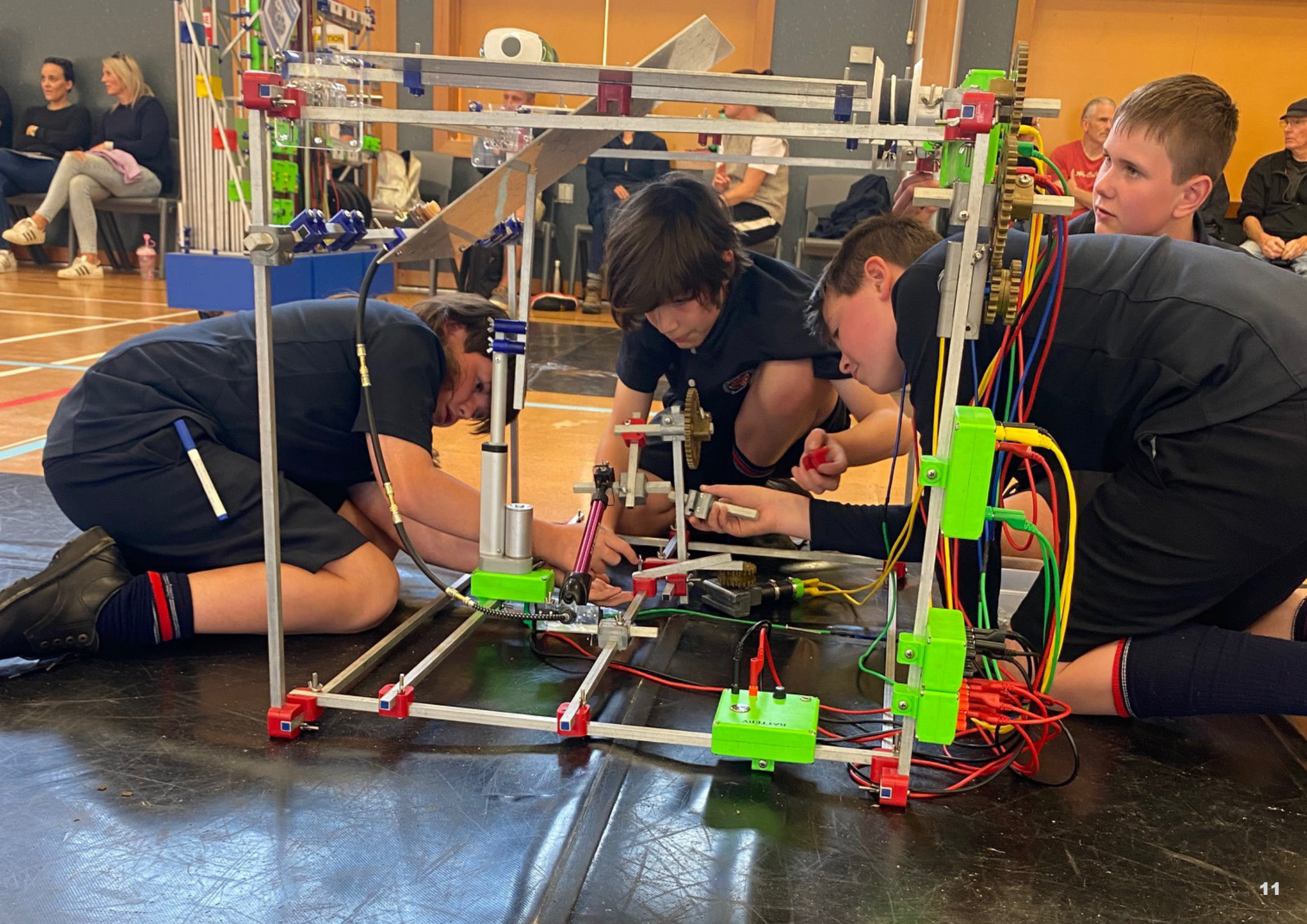
Step into the role of investigator to uncover how biology, chemistry, and physics help solve real-world mysteries. Explore DNA, genetics, and inheritance to understand how traits are passed on and how genetic evidence is used to identify suspects. You will dive into chemical reactions used in fingerprinting, blood analysis, and substance testing, and apply physics to examine impact forces, trajectories, and clues from crime scenes. Be introduced to criminal psychology—how behaviour, patterns, and profiling support investigations. This kaupapa is perfect for curious minds who want to explore the science that brings justice to life.

(10SCIPM) POWER AND MOTION: BUILD IT, WIRE IT, MAKE IT GO

Get ready to design, build, and test machines that move, light up, or generate power! You'll explore the science behind motion, forces, and energy—using ramps, pulleys, gears, and circuits to create working devices. Investigate how materials behave under stress, test components for strength and safety, and learn how to optimise performance through smart design choices. Dive into the world of robotics and biomechanical engineering, where you'll explore how machines mimic human movement and how science helps us design prosthetics, exoskeletons, and responsive systems. Whether you're building a wind-powered car, wiring a light-up robot, or testing how far your launcher can go, this kaupapa is perfect for students who love experimenting, problem-solving, and making things move.

(10SCIMM) MOLECULES TO MOUTHFULS

From the food on your plate to the reactions inside your body, this kaupapa explores the science behind what we eat and how it fuels life. Investigate digestion, metabolism, and explore the chemistry of food through chemical testing and learning how additives, preservatives, and flavour compounds work. Dive into the science of cooking and energy transfer, exploring how heat, light, and motion affect ingredients and change their properties. Compare organic and conventional farming, evaluate the environmental impact of food production, and consider how science helps us make smarter, healthier, and more sustainable food choices. Perfect for students who love experimenting, eating, and discovering the science behind every bite.

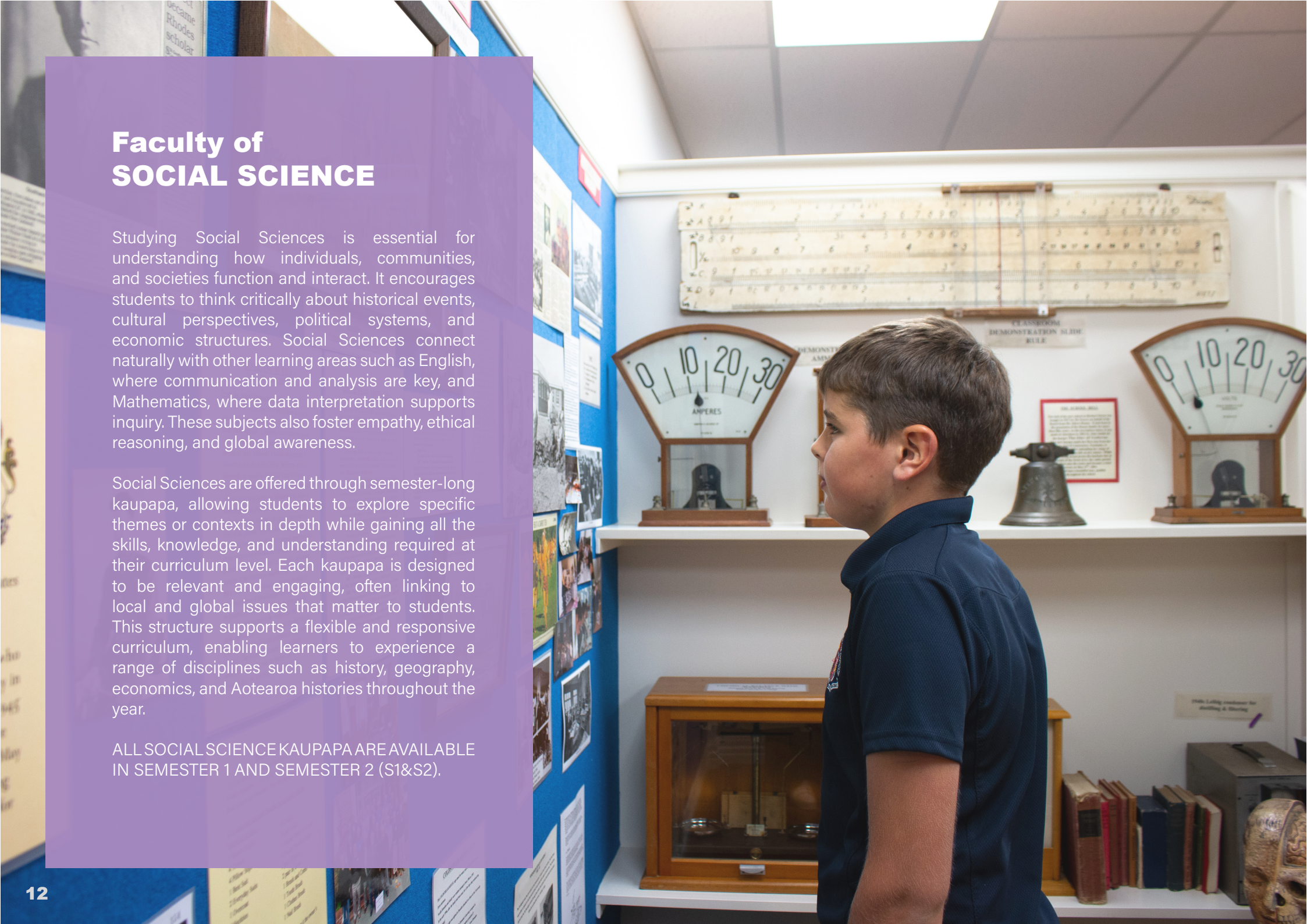


Faculty of SOCIAL SCIENCE

Studying Social Sciences is essential for understanding how individuals, communities, and societies function and interact. It encourages students to think critically about historical events, cultural perspectives, political systems, and economic structures. Social Sciences connect naturally with other learning areas such as English, where communication and analysis are key, and Mathematics, where data interpretation supports inquiry. These subjects also foster empathy, ethical reasoning, and global awareness.

Social Sciences are offered through semester-long kaupapa, allowing students to explore specific themes or contexts in depth while gaining all the skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Each kaupapa is designed to be relevant and engaging, often linking to local and global issues that matter to students. This structure supports a flexible and responsive curriculum, enabling learners to experience a range of disciplines such as history, geography, economics, and Aotearoa histories throughout the year.

ALL SOCIAL SCIENCE KAUPAPA ARE AVAILABLE IN SEMESTER 1 AND SEMESTER 2 (S1&S2).



(9SOCHP) DEAD BODIES & RUBBISH TIPS: DIGGING INTO HUMANITY'S PAST

From the bone-strewn floors of Olduvai Gorge to the ash-covered streets of Pompeii, archaeology reveals our stories through what we leave behind. This includes bog bodies, burials, buildings, and yes, rubbish tips. Explore how ancient Greeks and Romans lived, fought, and died, then travel to Southland's own backyard to investigate early Māori settlements. This topic uncovers how everyday objects and ancient remains tell us who we are and where we've come from. You'll examine famous global sites and take field trips to local treasures like Bluff's argillite quarry. If you've ever wondered how trash becomes treasure or how skeletons whisper secrets through the soil, this might be your perfect dig site.

(9SOCCC) WAR, HUH – WHAT IS IT GOOD FOR? WAR THROUGH THE AGES: CONFLICT, CONSEQUENCE, AND CONNECTION

Why do people fight wars? From the New Zealand Land Wars to global conflicts of the 20th and 21st centuries, the reasons are as complex as the impact and can include resources, religion, territory and power. This topic explores the driving forces behind war and the toll it takes on civilians, including long-lasting issues like landmines and displacement. We'll study case studies from Aotearoa and across the globe, and trace how people from Southland have played roles in these conflicts. Uncover stories of courage, hardship, and decision-making from the front lines to the home front. If you're ready to examine war not just as battles, but as human experience, this topic will challenge your thinking and expand your world.

(9SOCSS) SPEIGHTS, STAGS AND SOUTHERN MEN: WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON IN SOUTHLAND?

Sure, we'll dive into the tales of Speights, the mighty Stags, and the Southern man but Murihiku Southland is far more than just boots, beards, and beer. Beneath the southern swagger lies a region shaped by ancient landscapes, early Māori ingenuity, resource-rich industries, and unique local identity. This topic explores how the land was formed, who came before us, how migration changed the land, and why we speak with that rolling 'r.' We'll look at how people make their money from Tiwai to Tulips and examine the impact of economic activities on our environment. What makes Southland truly different from the rest of Aotearoa? It's time to look past the pint and the paddock, to discover the depth and diversity of the place we call home.

(9SOCNH) NATURE VS THE HUMAN RACE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN NATURE FIGHTS BACK?

When nature fights back, who pays the price? In this topic, we'll dive into disasters; earthquakes, floods, volcanoes and ask: why do people settle where danger looms? From global tragedies to what could happen if the Alpine Fault ruptured near Murihiku Southland, you'll investigate how geography, culture, and decisions shape our chances of survival. Are pandemics natural disasters? Why do some communities suffer more than others? And what are humans doing that makes things worse? Using local and international case studies, you'll uncover the complex relationship between nature's power and human vulnerability and discover what "being prepared" really means.

(9SOCPC) BOOM BOXES, BIKINIS & BEATLEMANIA HOW POP CULTURE ROCKED THE 20TH CENTURY

Jump into the rhythm of the 20th century and discover how music, fashion, film, and tech didn't just reflect society — they shaped it. From rock 'n' roll rebellion to the rise of hip hop, punk, skate culture, and 90s raves, you'll uncover how pop culture spread across borders and sparked global movements. Explore how youth identity, mass media, and cultural trends collided to create waves of change — challenging norms, blending traditions, and transforming everyday life. If you're curious about how a catchy tune, a bold outfit, or a subculture can shake the world, this topic takes you on a time-travel tour through the ultimate remix of history and style.

(9SOCSM) SHOW ME THE MONEY

Financial freedom is possible, but only if you understand how money really works. This course is your deep dive into the global money machine. You'll explore the history of money, exchange rates, taxes, and how supply and demand shape everything from your shopping choices to world economies. Learn how industries are classified, from farming and forestry to tech and services. Discover the difference between wants and needs, and how personal choices and global systems influence how resources are used. Uncover how innovation leads to enterprise, explore different economic systems, and sharpen your detective skills by spotting counterfeit cash. If you're ready to build real-world knowledge and take control of your financial future, this course sets you up to think smarter and live freer.

(10SOCFF) FREEDOM FIGHTERS OR TERRORISTS? WHO GETS TO DECIDE?

Throughout history, figures like Ho Chi Minh, Che Guevara, Te Kooti, Te Whiti, and even modern movements like Black Lives Matter or Gaza protests, have sparked controversy. Were they fighting for justice or threatening order? Guerilla tactics and civil resistance often blur the lines. This topic dives into how governments, media, and society label people based on power, politics, and perception. Explore what makes a cause just and who gets to define it. Unpack the meaning behind protest, rebellion, and human rights, and challenge yourself to see how history turns conflict into legacy.

(10SOCRR) REEL OR REAL: CAN YOU TRUST WHAT YOU SEE?

From TikTok clips to Hollywood blockbusters, and battlefield footage to viral memes, today's media can blur the lines between truth and fiction. In this topic, you'll explore how misinformation and disinformation shape what we think we know and how trolls and tech can twist reality. Can movies mislead us? How does fake news spread so quickly? Could AI-generated content push us toward global conflict? Learn how media is used, misused, and manipulated and how to stay smart in a world where seeing isn't always believing.

(10SOCRE) OUT IN THE FIELD, INSIDE THE DATA: LEARN HOW TO RESEARCH THE WORLD AROUND YOU

Do you like field trips? This topic looks outside the classroom exploring local places where you'll gather real data and see your research come to life. You'll investigate natural environments, cultural spaces, and the ways people interact with them. Through hands-on inquiry, you'll learn how to ask great questions, analyse data, read maps and graphs, spot bias, and turn information into insight. Whether you're researching a historical event, a natural process, or how people use infrastructure and resources, you'll gain the core skills of geography and history research. If you're curious about how to understand the world more deeply and ready to become a social science researcher this is the perfect place to start.

(10SOCWI) WHAT IF...? EMPIRES, SOUTHLAND & THE ROADS NOT TAKEN

History could've gone in wildly different directions—and this topic asks, what if it had? Imagine Murihiku Southland under Nazi rule, part of a Mongol horde, or governed by Napoleonic law. How would migration, culture, rights, and even language have changed? Dive into alternate histories where Genghis Khan, Napoleon, or Hitler won then re-imagine your region under their empires. You'll explore how different outcomes could have reshaped society, infrastructure, and personal freedoms. If you love bold thinking, dramatic twists, and connecting global events to local impact this topic invites you to rewrite the past to better understand the present.

(10SOCGI) GIS – THE POWER OF MAPS MEETS REAL WORLD INVESTIGATION

Want to know if fast food joints and alcohol stores are targeting poorer communities? Curious about where the safest place would be during a tsunami? Or how cities decide where to build skate-parks, stadiums, or schools? In GIS (Geographic Information Systems), you'll use computer-based maps to uncover patterns, solve problems, and make smart decisions about the world around you. It's like detective work but with data and digital maps. It's hands-on, tech-driven, and totally relevant. You'll be using the same tools that city planners, game designers, and emergency teams use to make big decisions. Plus, it's a skill that's in demand everywhere from sports management to climate science. If you like maps, tech, solving mysteries, or just want to know how the world really works GIS is your chance to explore it.

(10SOCSP) SHADOWS OF POWER: A GLOBAL HISTORY OF ORGANISED CRIME

Uncover the global web of organised crime from Al Capone's Chicago empire to European mafias in Italy, Russia, and the Balkans. Explore Latin American and Mexican cartels, the outlaw culture of the Hells Angels, and the secretive Triads and Yakuza across Asia. This course traces how these criminal empires rise, evolve, and infiltrate governments through corruption, violence, and influence. Turning focus to Aotearoa, examine the impact of international crime networks on New Zealand's underworld through key cases like the Mr Asia syndicate and the arrival of the 501s from Australia. More than just crime stories, this course sheds light on hidden power structures that shape societies.

Faculty of HEALTH & PHYSICAL WELLBEING

Studying Health and Physical Wellbeing is essential for supporting students' overall development—physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally. It empowers students to make informed decisions about their health, understand the importance of physical activity, and build resilience and positive relationships. This learning area connects meaningfully with others such as Science, where students explore human biology and nutrition, and Social Sciences, where they examine societal influences on wellbeing.

It also strengthens key competencies like self-management, relating to others, and participating and contributing. Health and Physical Wellbeing is delivered through semester-long kaupapa, allowing students to engage deeply with relevant and meaningful contexts. Each kaupapa is designed to ensure students develop the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Whether focusing on physical performance, mental health, Hauora, or social responsibility, students are supported to explore and apply their learning in real-life situations

Classroom-based Health kaupapa will run alongside (1-2 times weekly) and support the practical kaupapa, covering topics such as school values, wellbeing, nutrition, drugs and alcohol, sexual health (Y10), anatomy, teamwork, and fitness.

ALL HEALTH & PHYSICAL WELLBEING KAUPAPA ARE AVAILABLE IN SEMESTER 1 AND SEMESTER 2 (S1&S2).

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA, ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER. IDENTIFY A BACKUP KAUPAPA SHOULD YOUR FIRST CHOICES NOT BE AVAILABLE.

(9HPWFS) FANTASY SPORTS AND STRATEGIC PLAY

This engaging PE kaupapa introduces you to the world of fantasy sports, blending active physical education with strategic thinking, data analysis, and teamwork. You will explore the rules and dynamics of various sports, learn how fantasy leagues operate, and develop skills in player selection, performance tracking, and game strategy. Through simulated fantasy competitions, you will enhance your understanding of sports statistics, decision-making, and collaboration, while fostering a deeper appreciation for athletic performance and fair play.

(9HPWDT) LET'S DO THIS

Are you interested in Team Games, trying your best, and enjoying a variety of different movement contexts? This Movement based kaupapa is centered on Team games with emphasis on participation, teamwork & enjoying being Active. This kaupapa runs together with a Values based Unit which has a strong focus on the values at SBHS, the expectations these bring, and how to include them in your life.

(9HPWAW) AROUND THE WORLD

Keen to enrich your knowledge & involvement in a selection of foreign games? This unit will introduce you to a variety of Global sports, Basic skill development, Team collaboration and Cultural appreciation learnt within a variety of Foreign Sports & Games.

(9HPWFL) FIT 4 LIFE

A strong focus on improving your general fitness and ensuring you perform to your best. Measured in your ability to perform, or in your ability to persevere and improve. You will be getting better every day with these positive steps in your lifestyle, with Manawanui/ Perseverance playing a big role. This kaupapa runs together with a Nutrition based topic, where you will learn the best way to look after your dietary needs.

(9HPWGS) GAME, SET, SMASH

This unit focuses on a range of striking games - from racquet sports like Tennis, Badminton and Pickleball to other exciting activities like cricket and softball. You'll develop essentials skills like timing, coordination, and technique, while building the confidence to compete, collaborate, and challenge the opposition!

(9HPWCC) CHASING CHAMPIONS

Want to be the best you can be? This is an elite performance-based unit which allows you to focus on developing a skill set within a specific sport. This unit would have a strong focus on improving skills in traditional sports such as Hockey, Cricket, Football, Basketball and Rugby

(9HPWIC) INVASION CHAMPIONS

Are you ready to be an invasion? Champion? This unit will have you testing your 'combat skills,' in a variety of invasion-style games and sports. With a big emphasis on Teamwork & Scoring success and Manawanui/ Perseverance. Traditional Games from Aotearoa will be mastered as well as activities such as Dodgeball, Futsal, Basketball and Fijian Touch Rugby.

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA, ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER. IDENTIFY A BACKUP KAUPAPA SHOULD YOUR FIRST CHOICES NOT BE AVAILABLE.

(10HPWFS) FANTASY SPORTS AND STRATEGIC PLAY

In this innovative PE unit, you will actively engage in physical activity while exploring the strategic world of fantasy sports. Through regular participation in modified games such as basketball, football, and cricket, you will gain firsthand experience of athletic performance, teamwork, and game dynamics. These physical sessions directly inform your decisions in a classroom-based fantasy league, where you draft teams, analyse player statistics, and track performance data. This kaupapa promotes physical fitness, strategic thinking, and collaboration, offering a unique blend of sport, data literacy, and competitive fun.

(10HPWAW) AROUND THE WORLD 2.0

This unit will lead to further Skill refinement, strategic gameplay, teamwork, and assessment on a variety of Foreign Sports and Games. Activities may include: Touchball, European Handball, Floorball, AFL, Bench-ball and Futsal- amongst others.

(10HPWNN) NET NINJAS

This striking sports unit covers a range of net-based games and activities, helping you master the skills, strategies, and teamwork needed to thrive in competitive play. Whether you're serving, spiking or rallying, you'll sharpen your coordination and communication to become a true force on the court.

(10HPWWT) WORK TOGETHER, WIN TOGETHER

If you enjoy being part of a team, then this is the kaupapa for you!! This unit is focused on Social Responsibility around Team games, with specific roles for everyone to be included such as being Managers, Coaches, Referees and Players. Kotahitanga / Unity & Brotherhood- play a big factor in this kaupapa.

(10HPWDA) DEVELOPING ATHLETES PROGRAMME

An elite performance-based kaupapa which allows you to focus on developing a skill set based within a specific sport. This unit would have a strong focus on improving skills in traditional sports such as Hockey, Cricket, Football, Basketball and Rugby.

(10HPWTG) TRAIN 2 GAIN

Keen to learn about human anatomy in movement? Want to get the most out of your physical body? This unit will educate you about the human body and help you to design & implement an exercise programme. The harder you work, the more benefit and gains you will make.

(10HPWIM) INVASION MASTERS

The general theme in this kaupapa is to do your best & Win! You will promot teamwork, Kotahitanga and show strong Manawanui/Perseverance to be an Invasion Games Master. Collaboration and building confidence in your abilities and teammates, is an important focus, whilst you tackle sports like Dodgeball, Basketball, Crash Pad Rugby and Ki O-Rahi to name a few.


SOUTHLAND BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

Faculty of PERFORMING ARTS

Studying Performing Arts is essential for fostering creativity, confidence, collaboration, and communication skills. It provides students with opportunities to express themselves through Music and Drama, while also developing discipline, empathy, and cultural awareness. The Performing Arts connect meaningfully with other learning areas such as English, where storytelling and interpretation are key, and Social Sciences, where students explore identity, society, and culture. I also supports wellbeing by encouraging self-expression and building resilience through performance and teamwork.

Performing Arts is part of the option selections, where students choose two kaupapa across all option areas. Each kaupapa is semester-long and designed to ensure students gain the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Whether exploring acting, musical performance, choreography, or production, students are supported to develop their craft and engage with diverse artistic forms.

Some kaupapa are available in Semester 1 (S1), Semester 2 (S2), or in both semesters (S1 S2).

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS

(9MUSSR) MUSIC: SCHOOL OF ROCK S1

This course is for students who want to develop their inner rockstar. Learn to perform with confidence and work with others in a group situation. Start your career as a composer and work with others to produce an EP to document your journey. Students need to commit to learning an instrument (or voice) to be part of this course.

(9MUSCD) MUSIC: CONNECTING THE DOTS S2

Music is a vital part of everyday life. Explore how music is used to enhance film and experiment with creating your own soundtrack. Use music technologies to build music and explore a wide range of musical styles and genres.

(9DRAWL) DRAMA: WHOSE LINE IS IT? S1

Find your inner voice and share it with the world. This course will help you to trust your instincts and think on the spot. Use your voice to share your ideas, communicate, create characters and have a few laughs along the way.

(9DRABL) DRAMA: BETWEEN THE LINES S2

Have you ever watched television or a movie? We're surrounded by Drama in our lives; comedy, mystery, thriller or horror. There's a rich world of styles and genres to explore, as you work towards putting on a performance for an audience.

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10MUSSR) MUSIC: SCHOOL OF ROCK S1

Now that you're a budding rockstar, it's time to hit the stage. This course encourages students to write songs, work with others, develop performance skills and step into the spotlight in the Smokefree RockQuest competition. Students should already have some experience playing an instrument (or singing) to be part of this course.

(10MUSCD) MUSIC: CONNECTING THE DOTS S2

Journey through time and explore how music has developed to become what we know and love. Explore how what we listen to now is rooted in history and learn about how the law has become an important part of musicianship.

(10DRAWL) DRAMA: WHOSE LINE IS IT? S1

Now that your confidence is growing, develop your drama skills and start to explore space – theatrical space, that is! Explore the wonderful world of stage design and technologies, as you continue to develop quick thinking and improvisation skills.

(10DRABL) DRAMA: BETWEEN THE LINES S2

Which storyteller is the GOAT? He came up with stories for Disney film The Lion King, the computer animated Gnomeo and Juliet and horror comedy romance mashup Warm Bodies. His name? William Shakespeare. Look beyond the language and learn stage combat, a little history and perform with some blood and guts.

OPTIONS

Faculty of LANGUAGE & CULTURE

Studying Language and Culture is essential for developing communication skills, intercultural understanding, and global awareness. It enables students to explore how language shapes identity, relationships, and perspectives, while also building empathy and appreciation for diversity. Language and culture support other areas such as English, where literacy and expression are key, and Social Sciences, where cultural context and historical influences are explored. It also strengthens cognitive skills like memory, problem-solving, and adaptability.

Language and Culture is part of the option selections, where students choose two kaupapa across all option areas. Each kaupapa is semester-long and designed to ensure students gain the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Whether studying Te Reo Māori, Japanese, or exploring cultural practices and values, students are supported to engage meaningfully with language and its role in society.

Some kaupapa are available in Semester 1 (S1), Semester 2 (S2), or in both semesters (S1 S2).

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(9JAPJU) JAPAN UNLOCKED: THE KIWI SAMURAI CHALLENGE S1

Are you ready to unlock a whole new world? Welcome to Japan Unlocked: The Kiwi Samurai Challenge—a 20-week adventure into the language, culture, and heart of Japan, made for curious and courageous Year 9 boys! In this hands-on, project-based course, you'll learn real-life Japanese. It's practical, fun, and all about making language come alive through doing. Experience Japan through food, festivals, games, martial arts, anime, sports, and more. Discover what it means to be a Kiwi Samurai. You'll also take part in a virtual exchange with students at our brother school in Kumagaya, Japan—sharing stories, laughs, and life across cultures. Japan Unlocked is your first step into a bigger world. Speak it. Live it. Experience it.

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10JAPJA) JAPAN IN ACTION: TRADITION, POP & DAILY LIFE S2

Step into the world of Japan—through culture you can touch, taste, move to, and create. From tea ceremony, calligraphy, and martial arts to the energy of taiko drums and J-Pop, this course is all about experiencing what makes Japan unique. Along the way, you'll learn everyday Japanese words and expressions to connect more deeply with the people and traditions you discover. It's a cultural deep dive for curious minds who love to learn by doing. You'll also strengthen connections with our brother school, Kumagaya High School, and build valuable skills in communication, creativity, and cultural understanding.

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(9TAHJB) TE AO HAKA: WHERE YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS S1

Whether you're stepping into haka for the first time or you've been performing since you were a toddler, this high-energy, 20-week course is your gateway into the world of Māori performing arts. Explore haka, waiata, mau rākau, and kapa haka, and discover the stories, rhythm, and pride behind every movement. It's hands-on, full of heart, and bursting with energy. No experience? No worries. Already a pro? Let's take it further. Māori or non-Māori – everyone is welcome. This is your chance to stand tall, speak strong, and be part of something unforgettable. Te Ao Haka – it's not just a class, it's a kaupapa. High energy, high impact – are you ready?

(9MAOLA) TE REO MĀORI: UNLOCK THE LANGUAGE OF AOTEAROA S2

Ever wanted to speak the language of the land? Te Reo Māori is your chance to dive into the sounds, stories, and spirit of Aotearoa. In this fun, fast-paced course, you'll learn how to listen, speak, read, and write in te reo Māori – building real sentences, having real conversations, and discovering the culture that makes the language come alive. Whether you're Māori or non-Māori, fluent or just starting out, this is a safe space to explore, make mistakes, and grow. It's interactive, energetic, and full of moments that will make you go "wow!" Your journey starts here – are you ready to kōrero?

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10TAHNL) TE AO HAKA: TAKE IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL S2

Already got a taste of haka, or keen to dive deeper? This 20-week, high-energy course builds on your passion for Māori performing arts – haka, waiata, mau rākau, and kapa haka – with more depth, more challenge, and more opportunities to lead and perform. You'll strengthen your skills, grow your confidence, and deepen your understanding of the stories and tikanga behind the art. Whether you're Māori or non-Māori, beginner or experienced, this is your space to stand tall, speak strong, and bring the energy. Te Ao Haka – it's not just a class, it's a kaupapa. High energy, high impact – are you in?

(10MAOLM) TE REO MĀORI: TŪ TANGATA – LEVEL UP MĀORI S1

Already started your reo journey or ready to jump in with both feet? This course takes things up a notch – more speaking, more understanding, more confidence. You'll build on your skills to create full conversations, ask and answer questions, and explore the deeper meanings behind the words. It's hands-on, high-energy, and packed with culture, connection, and creativity. Whether you're continuing from Year 9 or starting fresh, this is your space to grow your voice and your knowledge in a fun, inclusive environment. Te Reo Māori – it's more than a language. Ready to level up?

OPTIONS

Faculty of TECHNOLOGY

Studying Technology equips students with practical, creative, and problem-solving skills that are directly applicable to real-world contexts. Through hands-on experiences in areas such as Building & Construction, Manufacturing & Engineering, Catering, and Digital Technology, students learn to design, build, and evaluate solutions using a range of tools, materials, and processes. These disciplines enhance precision, innovation, and communication.

Technology is part of the option selections, where students choose two kaupapa across all option areas. Each kaupapa is semester-long and designed to ensure students gain the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. This flexible structure allows learners to explore their interests, experience a variety of hands-on disciplines, and build a strong foundation for future pathways in trades, design, hospitality, IT, and engineering industries.

Some kaupapa are available in Semester 1 (S1), Semester 2 (S2), or in both semesters (S1 S2).

(9DTPFT) DTP: FULL THROTTLE

S2

The Transport Challenge Ready to design, build, and race like a pro? In this fast-paced unit, it's all about bold ideas and high-speed action. You'll take on real-world design challenges - building custom dragsters, testing different ramp setups, and tweaking your creations for max performance. It's about creativity, problem-solving, and seeing how far (and fast) your ideas can go. Whether you're into slick designs or head-to-head racing, this is your chance to build something awesome—and prove it on the track.

(9DTPHD) DTP: HOOKED

S1

The Ultimate Hunting & Fishing Build-Off Get ready to gear up and get hands-on in this rugged, creative, and skill-packed unit where the wild meets workshop. Whether you're into casting lines or tracking game, you'll design and build your own custom gear—think handcrafted metal lures that flash like the real thing, personalized fishing line holders, and fully functional tackle boxes built to handle the elements. It's all about making gear that works your way, combining practical skills with bush-ready design. Sharp tools, smart thinking, and outdoor attitude required. Are you ready to build your kit and take it to the wild?

(9MFSMM) MFS: METAL MANIPULATION

S1 S2

Explore the fundamentals of metalworking through creative, real-world projects. You will learn to safely use workshop tools and master techniques like cutting, bending, welding, and finishing while building three functional items: a folding metal table, a metal stand, and a flip-top sheet metal box. With a focus on design thinking, problem-solving, and craftsmanship, this course is ideal for those who enjoy making and want to develop practical skills in fabrication and engineering.

(9DTCCC) DTC: CODE & CREATE - COMPUTER SCIENCE & AI WITH PYTHON

S1

Make games, teach machines, and think like a programmer! Ever wondered how apps, games, and AI work? In Code & Create, you'll use Code.org to explore AI, create animations, and make your own games. You'll learn how to think like a programmer and start using Python, one of the world's most popular coding languages. By the end, you'll have built your own interactive projects; and taken your first steps towards becoming a digital creator.

(9DTCBI) DTC: BUILD & INNOVATE - ROBOTICS & CREATOR

S2

Design it. Build it. Make it move. Step into the world of VEX Robotics and discover how machines think and move. You'll design, build, and program robots to complete exciting challenges. Along the way, you'll learn how sensors, automation, and creative problem-solving come together to make awesome machines. If you love building things (and making them race, grab, spin); this is your course.

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10CATAW) CATERING: FOOD FROM AROUND THE WORLD

S1 S2

In this creative and collaborative unit students research global cuisines and work in pairs to design and prepare a unique international dish. They explore authentic ingredients, cooking methods, and cultural influences, while learning how to plan, test, and refine their recipe. Presentation is key — and the final dishes are shared with friends and teachers in a special tasting session, giving students the chance to showcase their skills and celebrate food from around the world. It's an engaging way to develop practical techniques, cultural awareness, and confidence in the kitchen.

(10MFSMM) MFS: SMALL MOTOR MECHANICS

S2

This hands-on course introduces you to the inner workings of small single-cylinder engines and motorcycles. You will explore mechanical systems through practical workshop sessions, interactive theory, and real-world troubleshooting challenges. You'll learn to safely use tools, diagnose engine issues, and develop critical thinking and teamwork skills. This is perfect for future engineers or curious tinkerers, building confidence and mechanical know-how—culminating in the ability to disassemble, rebuild, and understand how engines power motion.

(10MFSCM) MFS: CRAFTING METAL AND MINDS

S1

A dynamic, hands-on course where you will learn to design and fabricate functional metalwork pieces. Students will build a custom sheet metal toolbox and expressive wrought iron coat hooks while mastering key techniques like welding, plasma cutting, and hot metal manipulation. With a strong focus on design thinking, craftsmanship, and presentation skills, this course empowers you to turn raw materials into showcase-ready projects—building confidence, creativity, and practical problem-solving along the way.

(10DTPWW) DTP: WASTED WOOD

S1

Wicked Builds Think pallets are just scrap? Think again in this project, you'll re-imagine reclaimed timber into bold, functional creations—built by you, for real-world use. From firewood racks and vertical gardens to chill-out chairs and speaker stands, your challenge is to think outside the square. The build is your choice. Break it down. Build it up. Make something epic from the overlooked.

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10DTPCC) DTP: CAMP CRAFT S2

Build Your Base in the Wild Roll up your sleeves and get ready to create the ultimate camping gear – designed and built by you In this hands-on unit, you'll craft practical, camp-ready projects like camp kitchen chuck boxes with wheels to chopping boards, fold-out chairs, and condiment holders - these projects are perfect for family camping, outdoor adventures, or backyard hangs. It's all about smart design, hands-on skills, and solving real-world problems. Tough, functional, and seriously cool - camp comfort starts here. One build at a time.

(10DTCCC) DTC: CODE & CREATE PRO - ADVANCED PYTHON & AI S1

From programming basics to real-world solutions. Already know your way around Python. In Code & Create Pro, you'll level up your programming skills with Grok Academy. You'll explore data handling, AI tools, ethics of creation with AI tools and advanced problem-solving. Create programs that work with real data, build smarter projects, and design great looking digital tools people could use. You'll even see how local industries create with the help of digital technologies, with a field trip to a local tech workplace.

(10DTCTB) DTC: TECH BUILDERS - REAL-WORLD ROBOTICS & INNOVATION S2

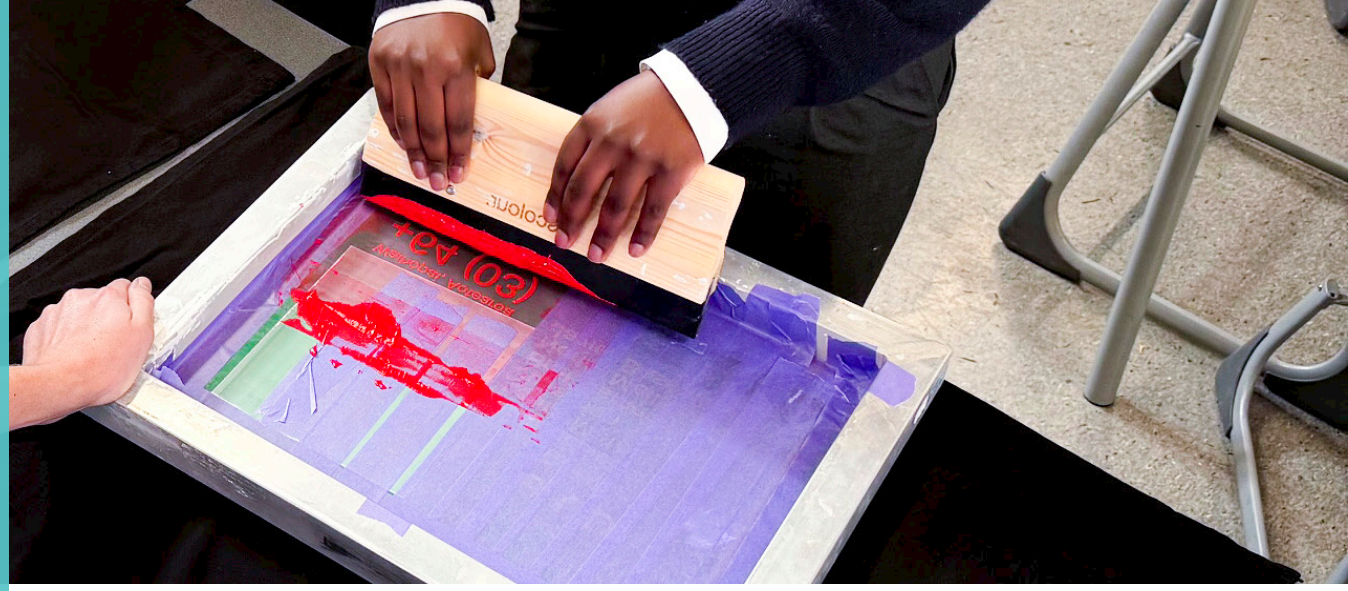
Build tech that works in the real world. Take your robotics and maker skills further with bigger challenges and industry links. Explore how robotics is used in real life; from drone warfare to dairy factories to automated warehouses. Work in teams to design and build working prototypes that solve real problems, blending sensors, programming, and engineering creativity. Includes a field trip to see robotics in action.

Department of VISUAL ARTS

Studying Visual Arts is essential for nurturing creativity, self-expression, and visual literacy. It helps students develop the ability to interpret and communicate ideas through a range of media, while also building critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Visual Arts connects meaningfully with other learning areas such as English, where storytelling and symbolism are explored, and Technology, where design and innovation intersect. It also supports wellbeing by offering students a space to reflect, express emotions, and engage with diverse perspectives in a meaningful and personal way.

Visual Arts is part of the option selections, where students choose two kaupapa across all option areas. Each kaupapa is semester-long and designed to ensure students gain the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Whether working with painting, sculpture, digital media, or design, students are supported to explore techniques, develop their own style, and respond to visual culture.

Some kaupapa are available in Semester 1 (S1), Semester 2 (S2), or in both semesters (S1 S2).



Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(9ARTGO) THE GREAT OUTDOORS

S1 S2

If you love drawing, spray painting, photography, woodcuts, or painting, here's your chance to use those skills to show what hunting and fishing mean to you- the adventure and respect for Papatuanuku. Make bold, powerful art that celebrates the outdoors, wildlife, and the traditions that connect us to the land and water. Have fun trying new techniques and sharing your story through your art. Jump in, and show off your skills, and bring the great outdoors to life with your art!

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10ARTSD) SCREENPRINT YOUR OWN DESIGNS

S1 S2

Learn the art and process of screen printing your own original designs on T-shirts, posters, and more! In this hands-on course, you'll explore every step of creating custom screen prints- from initial design concepts to printing on a variety of surfaces. You'll dive into: Drawing and sketching your ideas | Photography skills for design | Planning colour schemes with wet and dry media | Other forms of printmaking e.g. Gel plate prints and woodcut design | Understanding effective logo design | Creating your own screen for printing your own merchandise. Whether you want to make personalized gear for yourself, create team apparel, or even start a side hustle, this course will equip you with the skills to bring your creative ideas to life!

OPTIONS (Y10 ONLY)

Department of COMMERCE

Studying Commerce is essential for understanding how businesses, economies, and financial systems operate in the real world. It equips students with practical knowledge in areas such as accounting, economics, business studies, and entrepreneurship, while also developing critical thinking, decision-making, and communication skills. Commerce connects meaningfully with Mathematics, where financial literacy and data analysis are key, and Social Sciences, where students explore societal structures and global markets. It also fosters innovation and strategic thinking—skills that are highly valuable in both personal and professional contexts.

Commerce is part of the option selections at Year 10, where students choose two kaupapa across all option areas. Each kaupapa is semester-long and designed to ensure students gain the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Whether exploring business operations, economic principles, or financial management, students are supported to engage with real-world scenarios and develop capabilities that prepare them for future pathways in business, finance, law, and entrepreneurship.

Some kaupapa are available in Semester 1 (S1), Semester 2 (S2), or in both semesters (S1 S2).

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10COMBM) BOSS MOVES: BE YOUR OWN BOSS & BUILD THAT BANK

S1

Ready to take control of your financial future? This hands-on course dives into the world of entrepreneurship and smart money management. You will learn how to budget, invest, and build a share portfolio, plus explore real-world jobs, side hustles, and how to grow your own business. Using the award-winning Banqer High simulation, you will gain confidence in banking, KiwiSaver, and making smart financial decisions. The excitement builds toward our epic Market Day, where you will design, promote, and sell your own product—and experience the thrill (and challenge!) of being your own boss. Whether you are chasing cash or building an empire, this course gives you the skills to hustle smart and lead strong.

Department of AGRICULTURE

Studying Agriculture is essential for understanding the systems that sustain life—food production, environmental stewardship, and resource management. It equips students with practical skills and scientific knowledge related to soil, plants, animals, and sustainability, while also fostering problem-solving, innovation, and responsibility. Agriculture connects meaningfully with science, where biological and ecological principles are explored, and with Technology and Social Sciences, where students examine systems, tools, and the impact of agriculture on communities and economies.

Agriculture is part of the option selections at Year 10, where students choose two kaupapa across all option areas. Each kaupapa is semester-long and designed to ensure students gain the full range of skills, knowledge, and understanding required at their curriculum level. Whether focusing on horticulture, animal care, environmental practices, or agri-business, students are supported to engage with real-world contexts and develop capabilities that are relevant to both rural and urban futures.

Some kaupapa are available in Semester 1 (S1), Semester 2 (S2), or in both semesters (S1 S2).

Y9 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(9AGHKF) THE KIWI FARM: YEAR 9 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

S1 S2

This course introduces students to the foundations of agriculture in New Zealand. Students will explore plant life cycles, soil health, and basic land management practices through hands-on learning. The course fosters understanding of the science behind food and fibre production, encouraging sustainable thinking. Students will develop practical skills and scientific literacy to support future success in agricultural and agribusiness studies.

Y10 - CHOOSE TWO KAUPAPA ACROSS ALL OPTIONS.

(10AGHPP) PADDOCK TO PLATE AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

S1 S2

This course will introduce students to the world of primary production in New Zealand. Students will delve into primary production processes, explore the life processes of plants, and examine various management techniques used in primary production settings. The work aims to foster an understanding of the scientific principles behind Agricultural and Horticultural Science within the scope of primary production and develop practical skills for students to succeed in this field.

TE ARA WHAKAMUA: Y9 LEARNING PATHWAYS

At Year 9, in collaboration with staff and whānau, select a course that reflects your interests, aspirations and needs.
The template below will help you in selecting and recording your kaupapa choices. You can then use this when options selection opens via School Bridge early in Term 4.

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS (ONE SEMESTER 1 (S1) & ONE SEMESTER 2 (S2) COURSE):

S1	S2	S1	S2	S1	S1	S2
9MUSSR SCHOOL OF ROCK	9MUSCD CONNECTING THE DOTS	9DRAWL WHOSE LINE IS IT?	9DRABL BETWEEN THE LINES	9JAPJU JAPAN UNLOCKED	9TAHJB TE AO HAKA	9MAOLA TE REO MĀORI

S2	S1	S1 S2	S1	S2	S1 S2	S1 S2
9DTPFT FULL THROTTLE	9DTPHD HOOKED	9MFSMM METAL MANIPULATION	9DTCCC CODE AND CREATE	9DTCBI BUILD AND INNOVATE	9AGHKF THE KIWI FARM	9ARTGO THE GREAT OUTDOORS

OPTIONS

SEMESTER ONE | SEMESTER TWO | BACKUP

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS OPTIONS (WHOLE YEAR COURSE):

9MTE MATH EXTENDING	9MTK MATH KNOWLEDGE

WHOLE YEAR — MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ENGLISH OPTIONS (WHOLE YEAR COURSE):

9ENE ENGLISH EXTENDING	9ENK ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE	9ENS ENGLISH SKILLS

WHOLE YEAR — ENGLISH

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING SCIENCE OPTIONS (ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER):

9SCIHP HUMAN PERFORMANCE	9SCIWA WILD AOTEAROA	9SCIGB THINGS THAT GO BANG	9SCIEE ENERGY EVERYWHERE	9SCIEM ENGINEERING MECHANICS	9SCICC CHEMICAL CHAOS	9SCIAA ATOMS TO ASTEROIDS

SCIENCE

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING SOCIAL SCIENCE OPTIONS (ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER):

9SOCHP DEAD BODIES & RUBBISH	9SOCCC CONFLICT CONNECTION	9SOCSS SOUTHERN MEN	9SOCNH NATURE VS HUMAN RACE	9SOCPC BOOM BOXES POP CULTURE	9SOCSM SHOW ME THE MONEY

SOCIAL SCIENCE

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING HPW OPTIONS (ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER):

9HPWFS FANTASY SPORTS	9HPWDT LET'S DO THIS	9HPWGS GAME SET SMASH	9HPWAW AROUND THE WORLD	9HPWCC CHASING CHAMPIONS	9HPWFL FIT 4 LIFE	9HPWIC INVASION CHAMPIONS

HPW

TE ARA WHAKAMUA: Y10 LEARNING PATHWAYS

At Year 10, you will select a course that follows on from your learning in Year 9 that reflects your interests, aspirations and needs.
As there are no pre-requisites for Year 11, we encourage you to continue to explore different kaupapa to build on and extend your prior learning experiences.
The template below will help you in selecting and recording your kaupapa choices. You can use this when option selection opens via School Bridge early in Term 4.

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS (ONE SEMESTER 1 (S1) & ONE SEMESTER 2 (S2) COURSE):

S1 10MUSSR SCHOOL OF ROCK	S2 10MUSCD CONNECTING THE DOTS	S1 10DRAWL WHOSE LINE IS IT?	S2 10DRABL BETWEEN THE LINES	S2 10JAPJA JAPAN IN ACTION	S2 10TAHNL TE AO HAKA	S1 10MAOLM TE REO MĀORI	S1 10COMBM BOSS MOVE
S1 S2 10CATAW FOOD AROUND THE WORLD	S2 10MFSMM SMALL MOTOR MECHANICS	S1 10MFSCM CRAFTING METAL	S1 10DTPWW WASTED WOOD	S2 10DTPCC CAMP CRAFT	S1 10DTCCC CODE & CREATE PRO	S2 10DTCTB TECH BUILDERS	S1 S2 10AGHPP PADDOCK TO PLATE	S1 S2 10ARTSD SCREEN PRINT

OPTIONS — SEMESTER ONE | SEMESTER TWO | BACKUP

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS OPTIONS (WHOLE YEAR COURSE):

10MTE MATH EXTENDING	10MTK MATH KNOWLEDGE

WHOLE YEAR — MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ENGLISH OPTIONS (WHOLE YEAR COURSE):

10ENE ENGLISH EXTENDING	10ENK ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE	10ENS ENGLISH SKILLS

WHOLE YEAR — ENGLISH

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING SCIENCE OPTIONS (ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER):

10SCIHP HUMAN PERFORMANCE	10SCISS SHAKY ISLES	10SCIFO FORENSICS	10SCIMS MILITARY SCIENCE	10SCIRU REACTIONS UNNLEASHED	10SCIPM POWER AND MOTIONS	10SCIMM MOLECULES TO MOUTHFULS

SCIENCE

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING SOCIAL SCIENCE OPTIONS (ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER):

10SOCFF FREEDOM FIGHTERS	10SOCRR REEL OR REAL	10SOCRE OUTSIDE THE FIELD	10SOCWI WHAT IF..?	10SOCGI GIS THE POWER OF MAPS	10SOCSP SHADOWS OF POWER

SOCIAL SCIENCE

CHOOSE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING HPW OPTIONS (ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER):

10HPWFS FANTASY SPORT	10HPWAW AROUND THE WORLD 2.0	10HPWNN NET NINJAS	10HPWWT WORK TOGETHER	10HPWDA DEVELOPING ATHLETES	10HPWTG TRAIN 2 GAIN	10HPWIM INVASION MASTERS

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