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YEAR 10→11 SUBJECT SELECTION FOR THE SENIOR SCHOOL AN INFORMATION SESSION FOR STUDENTS

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Planning for the future and the selection of subjects for senior studies are very important issues for all Year 10 students as they prepare to enter the senior school.

On Thursday the 7th of September 2023, from 11.14-12.48 (periods 3-4), we will be holding an information session for students in C4 regarding Preliminary and HSC courses in 2024/2025. **All Year 10 students must attend this session in order to hear important information and receive their information package and subject selection cards.** These will be issued at the end of the information session. Time will also be provided for students to ask questions and to speak to staff about course specific information.

Parents and/or caregivers will not be able to attend this presentation. Instead, detailed packages will be sent home with students and parents / caregivers are encouraged to make contact directly with Mr Costa (HT Secondary Studies) to discuss the subject selection process and NESA rules and implications, faculty Head Teachers to ask course-specific questions and Mr Kwon to discuss careers information. If required, an appointment can be made to meet with staff in person. A full list of 'people to talk' to will be issued in the subject selection packs.

Students will then be given until **Thursday the 14th of September** to consider and select the subjects they would like to study for the HSC. In making these plans and decisions, it is important that students receive the best advice and support possible. The school would like to have parents and families involved in the decision-making process and welcome them to contact the school and appropriate staff as required.

The session will cover issues such as:

- The HSC- What is it and how is it assessed?
- The ATAR- What is it, how is it calculated and how important is it?
- What are the requirements for the award of the HSC and an ATAR?
- What subjects and course types are available for study?
- What does each of the subjects on offer involve? What are they all about?
- What are VET courses? What is required to complete them?
- How can the school assist you and your child? Who is there to help?
- What is the 'Educational Pathways Program' and what can it offer?
- How can the Careers Adviser and Head Teacher Secondary Studies help senior students?

Mr T. Costa
Head Teacher Secondary Studies