



**Pittwater House**

# Secondary School Subjects for 2021

## Academic Subjects

For 2021 Pittwater House continues to offer subjects from all of the Key Learning Areas of the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA). All Subjects taken in Years 11 and 12 lead to the awarding of the NSW Higher School Certificate after the completion of the State exams at the end of Year 12.

A wide range of subject choices is outlined for each year group in the detailed list overleaf. In Years 7 and 8 most subjects are compulsory as prescribed by NESA. The exception to this is the choice between French and Mandarin in Year 8. For Years 9 and 10 each student must take the mandatory core set by the NESA. Aside from the mandatory core subjects' students in Year 9 and 10 must also choose a number of elective subjects as shown in the tables overleaf. The number and choice of elective subjects for students in Year 9 and above in both the Grammar School (boys) and the Girls' College is restricted to those subjects listed in the lower portions of the columns overleaf.

For Years 11 and 12, each of the subjects are assigned 'units' to contribute to the NSW Higher School Certificate. Each candidate is required to undertake a minimum of twelve units in Year 11 (excluding extension subjects) and a minimum of 10 units in Year 12 (although many continue to carry twelve). University entrance or the ATAR is calculated from the student's best 10 units, and this must include two units of English.

All subject choices and changes should be discussed with the Deputy Principal during normal term time. For enrolling, students' subject selections and completed selection forms should be discussed at the Enrolment Interview.

Note: Students in Years 11 and 12 also have the opportunity to study a range of courses through TAFE which can contribute to their ATAR. Additional Language Courses are also available in Years 11 and 12 for background speakers through the Saturday School of Community Languages at Chatswood. Courses may also be taken through the NSW School of Languages. Courses available include Korean, Japanese, German, Russian and Indonesian to name a few.

Any questions or concerns please contact myself on [james.walmsley@tphs.nsw.edu.au](mailto:james.walmsley@tphs.nsw.edu.au)

Yours sincerely

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2021 Year 7 Subjects

Students must study each of the following mandatory subjects as per the NESA Guidelines:						
<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	<input type="checkbox"/> Geography	<input type="checkbox"/> History	<input type="checkbox"/> Technology	
<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> French/Mandarin	<input type="checkbox"/> PDHPE - Personal Development, Health and Physical Education			

## 2021 Year 8 Subjects

Students must study each of the following mandatory subjects as per the NESA Guidelines:					
<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	<input type="checkbox"/> Geography	<input type="checkbox"/> History	<input type="checkbox"/> Technology
<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> PDHPE - Personal Development, Health and Physical Education			
Student must choose one language from below.					
<input type="checkbox"/> French					<input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin

## 2021 Year 9 Subject Lines

Students must study each of the following mandatory subjects as per the NESA Guidelines:					
<input type="checkbox"/> English	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	<input type="checkbox"/> History	<input type="checkbox"/> Geography		
<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics (Level 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3)		<input type="checkbox"/> PDHPE - Personal Development, Health and Physical Education			
Students choose THREE electives. ONE must come from each block. Subjects carry forward to Year 10 as part of a two year course.					
<b>Block A</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> History Elective <input type="checkbox"/> NSW School of Languages <input type="checkbox"/> Photography and Digital Media	<b>Block B</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Drama <input type="checkbox"/> Design and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Food Technology <input type="checkbox"/> History Elective <input type="checkbox"/> NSW School of Languages <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts	<b>Block C</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Dance <input type="checkbox"/> Design and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Information and Software Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Music <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Activity and Sports Studies

## 2021 Year 10 Subject Lines

Students must study each of the following mandatory subjects as per the NESA Guidelines:					
<input type="checkbox"/> English ( <i>please circle</i> ) L1 L2 L3 <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics ( <i>please circle</i> ) Level 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3 <input type="checkbox"/> Science ( <i>please circle</i> ) L1 L2 L3 <input type="checkbox"/> History <input type="checkbox"/> Geography <input type="checkbox"/> PDHPE - Personal Development, Health and Physical Education					
Students choose THREE electives. ONE must come from each block. <i>If selecting a subject not undertaken in Year 9, the subject's inclusion on the ROSA Certificate may be affected. This is only relevant if the student intends to leave schooling prior to the HSC. For further information see Deputy Principal.</i>					
<b>Block A</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Dance <input type="checkbox"/> Drama <input type="checkbox"/> History Elective <input type="checkbox"/> Information Software and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> NSW School of Languages <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Activity and Sports Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Photography and Digital Media	<b>Block B</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Design and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Food Technology <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> History Elective <input type="checkbox"/> Music <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Activity and Sports Studies	<b>Block C</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> Information Software and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Music <input type="checkbox"/> Photography and Digital Media <input type="checkbox"/> STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts

## 2021 Year 11 Subject Lines

Unless stated, all subjects are 2 units. A minimum of 12 units is required. The study of English is compulsory.			
<b>Group 1</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> English - Standard <input type="checkbox"/> English - Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> English as an Additional language & Dialect (EAL/D) <input type="checkbox"/> English Studies	<b>Group 2</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Advanced (2 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Standard (2 Unit)
<b>Group 3</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Music (Course 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Music (Course 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Dance (HSC) <input type="checkbox"/> Food Technology <input type="checkbox"/> French Continuers <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Technology – Multimedia <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Physics	<b>Group 4</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ancient History <input type="checkbox"/> Business Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Community and Family Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Design and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Modern History <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts
<b>Group 5</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Earth and Environmental Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Technology – Multimedia <input type="checkbox"/> Modern History <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Development, Health and Physical Education <input type="checkbox"/> Textiles and Design	<b>Group 6</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Business Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Drama <input type="checkbox"/> Geography <input type="checkbox"/> Information Processes and Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
<b>EXT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Ext. 1 (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> English Ext. 1 (1 Unit)	<b>Offline</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Studies of Religion (1 Unit)
<b>Other</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NSW School of Languages (2 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> TAFE / TVET (2 Unit)		

## 2021 Year 12 Subject Lines

Unless stated, all subjects are 2 units. A minimum of 12 units is required. The study of English is compulsory.			
<b>Group 1</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> English - Standard <input type="checkbox"/> English - Advanced <input type="checkbox"/> English as an Additional language & Dialect (EAL/D) <input type="checkbox"/> English Studies	<b>Group 2</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Advanced (2 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Standard (2 Unit)
<b>Group 3</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Music (Course 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Music (Course 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Information Processes & Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Business Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Geography <input type="checkbox"/> Food Technology	<b>Group 4</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Technology - Multimedia <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Modern History <input type="checkbox"/> French <input type="checkbox"/> Information Processes & Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Studies
<b>Group 5</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ancient History <input type="checkbox"/> Business Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Design Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Modern History <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Arts	<b>Group 6</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Biology <input type="checkbox"/> Business Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Community & Family Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Studies <input type="checkbox"/> PDHPE <input type="checkbox"/> Physics
<b>EXT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Ext. 1 (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics Ext. 2 (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> English Ext. 1 (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> English Ext. 2 (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> Music Ext (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> Science Ext (1 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> History Ext (1 Unit)	<b>Offline</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Studies of Religion (1 Unit)
<b>Other</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> NSW School of Languages (2 Unit) <input type="checkbox"/> TAFE / TVET (2 Unit)		

