

2023 Year 10

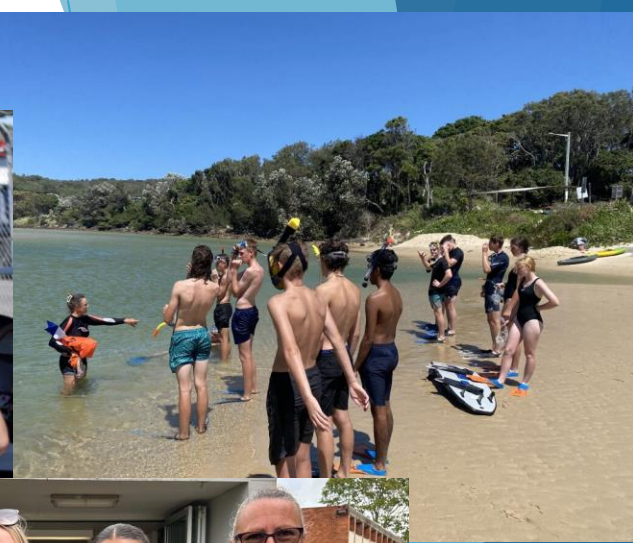
Subject Selection for Stage 6

For Year 10 students and their
parents/caregivers



Welcome and Acknowledgment of Country

- Yawayi!
- Welcome community members, students, staff and all those who wish to see our young people achieve their personal best



Mrs Tourmaline Bailey
Transition Adviser on behalf of the KHS Careers Team



Higher School Certificate

HSC Course Structure

- All courses in the HSC have a unit value
- Most courses are 2 units which equates to 120 hours of study and a HSC result out of 100
- Some courses are 1 unit. This is equivalent to 60 hours of study and a HSC result out of 50
- Many 1 unit courses are extension courses, enabling 3 or 4 units of a course to be studied.

Requirements for the HSC

Year 11

- minimum of **12 units**
- students must satisfactorily **complete** the Year 11 course before commencing the corresponding Year 12 course

Year 12

- minimum of **10 units**

Requirements for the HSC

Both the Year 11 and Year 12 pattern of study must include:

- 2 units of **compulsory English**
- at least **6 units** of Board Developed Courses
- at least **3 courses** of **2 units** value or greater
- at least **4 subjects** (including English)
- a maximum of **6 units** of Science may be included in the Year 11 pattern of study / a maximum of **7 units** of Science in Year 12

Requirements for the HSC

As a student, you must:

- attend school for Year 11 **and** Year 12
- complete **HSC: All My Own Work** before you submit any work for Preliminary or HSC courses – due to be done in Term 4, 2023
- satisfactorily **complete all tasks** to the best of your ability
- sit for and make a **serious attempt** at the required HSC exams
- meet the **HSC minimum standard of literacy and numeracy** –



further detail to be provided by Mrs McKay,
Year Adviser

Quick Glossary

- ATAR – Australian Tertiary Admission Rank – the magic Uni number
- Board Developed Courses – subjects with HSC exams
- Board Endorsed Courses – subjects with **NO** HSC exams
- NESAS – NSW Educational Standards Authority – the authority that makes sure we are doing the right thing and you can get your HSC
- SBAT – School Based Apprenticeship/Traineeship – paid work + VET option
- VET – Vocational Education and Training – like doing a TAFE course at school



Satisfactory Completion of a Course

Students must:

- **follow** the course developed or endorsed by NESAs
- **apply themselves** with diligence and sustained effort to the set task and experiences provided in the course by the school; and
- **achieve** some or all of the course outcomes

VET Board Developed Courses require students to complete **mandatory work placement**.

Types of HSC courses

Board Developed Courses	Board Endorsed Courses
HSC examination except for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• optional examination in English Studies and Mathematics Standard 1 and VET Curriculum Framework courses• all Life Skills courses	No HSC examination – school-based assessment only
May be included in the calculation of a student's Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).	Not included in the calculation of a student's Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).
Includes some Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses.	Includes some Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses.
Includes Life Skills courses.	

The Main Pathways - students choose a pathway that's right for them

HSC / ATAR Pathway

Students study an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) pattern of study for university entry

HSC / Non-ATAR Pathway

Students are more likely to have career aspirations which include TAFE or on the job training

HSC + SBAT

SBATs combine paid work, training and school. You can get credit towards your HSC and a nationally recognised VET qualification.

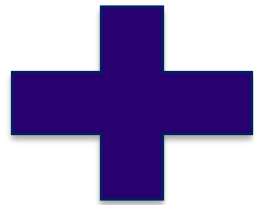
Mrs Bailey
SBAT Coordinator

Year 12 Record of School Achievement (RoSA)

Students are studying courses which are mostly Board Endorsed Courses.

Students may have plans to exit school to employment once they turn 17 years

**Internal school -
based assessment
50%**



**External HSC
examination 50%**



**HSC
Reported
Mark**

Some courses have a mandatory major work. This and the exam make up the 50%

Course Selection Considerations

What subjects should I pick?

- Abilities
- Interests/Motivation (yours, not your friends)
- Career aspirations
- Syllabus requirements - Practical/Major work components
- Subject combinations – do they work together?
- Other commitments – work, sport and family
 - to balance study



Course Selection Considerations and the ATAR

- If you wish to undertake an ATAR pathway, any course with a formal HSC examination in 2025, can be used to calculate your ATAR.
- Choosing a broad range of subjects in your senior years may allow you to be better equipped to succeed in further education, training or work.



VET Board Developed Courses

- Automotive
- Business Services
- Construction
- Electrotechnology
- Entertainment Industry
- Financial Services
- Hospitality
- Human Services
- Information and Digital Technology
- Primary Industries
- Retail Services
- Tourism, Travel and Events

Highest NSW ATAR including a VET course
in 2020 was Financial Services - 99.65

VET Courses - Kempsey High School

Board Developed Courses

- Construction
- Primary Industries –
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- Hospitality

Board Endorsed Courses

- Manufacturing & Engineering



Australian Tertiary Admission Rank

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The **Australian Tertiary Admission Rank** (ATAR):

- is a rank **NOT** a mark
- is for students wishing to gain a place at a university
- provides information about how a student performs overall in relation to other students
- is calculated by the University Admissions Centre (UAC)
- there are other entry options that may be more suitable
i.e. early entry based on Year 11 results

BASICALLY

- To get an ATAR you need to have at least 5 Board Developed Courses
- That's five subjects that all have an exam
- Must include English

Other considerations

What to think about...

- What do I want for my future?
- What 'pathway' best suits me?
- Does the subject have a major work in Year 12?
- Ask for advice from:
 - teachers
 - parents
 - Year adviser
 - Careers team members – Mrs Bailey and Mr Rix

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- Thank you for joining us this evening
- Please take some time to speak with head teachers and staff
- Student interviews begin tomorrow