



Area of Study

**Languages**

2020 Handbook

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## Career Pathways

Languages can be useful in a number of different occupations and they can help you to get a job. Some examples: teacher, travel agent, nurse and doctor (people who can speak a second language are in demand to cater for the ageing migrant population), travel guide, journalist, translator, hospitality jobs, just to name a few.

## Year 10 Curriculum

### *Languages – Italian A & B*

Semester: Semesters 1 & 2

Teacher: Ms Cataldo

#### **Recommended Previous Studies:**

Successful completion of Year 9 Italian.

#### **Course Content:**

Continue to be challenged through improving your Italian skills.

Students will enjoy a number of activities like role-plays, games and songs.

The themes covered this year will be health, relationships, shopping, Italian history, the world of work and food.

Students will also have the opportunity to participate in the 2020 Lavalla Study Tour in Italy. What an awesome experience!

This is a year-long course of study and is counted as two units for the purposes of completing enrolment.

#### **Assessed Coursework:**

Students will be assessed through the completion of a number of formal tests and informal class activities:

- Role-plays
- Listening tasks
- Reading tasks
- Writing tasks (letters, recipes & songs)
- Games.
- Class Discussions
- Research Assignments

#### **Skills:**

You will be gaining confidence with the language and applying the grammar studied in practical situations. You will have the ability to have a conversation and write in Italian about topics such as family, food, technology and travel.

## VCE Curriculum

### *Italian Unit 1*

**Semester:** Semester 1

**Teacher:** Ms Cataldo

**Recommended Previous Studies:**

To complete Italian studies at VCE, students should have studied Italian in Years 7-10. Units 1 & 2 Italian is suitable for Year 10 students with a high level of Italian (i.e. a student who speaks Italian at home or has had opportunity to study/practise outside school). Each Year 10 candidate will be assessed by Ms Cataldo.

**Course Content:**

All your years of studies are rewarding you! Your knowledge of Italian is becoming deeper and deeper! We will focus on the following themes: Personal World, Lifestyle in Italy and abroad and Italian History. You will be engaged in writing personal pieces, participating in conversations and role-plays, learning songs and watching a film.

**Assessed Coursework:**

- Exchanging meaning in a spoken interaction in Italian (participating in a role-play)
- Interpreting information (writing a review)
- Presenting information, concepts and ideas in writing in Italian (creating a written presentation)

**Skills:** You will be able to have a conversation, read and write in Italian at a high intermediate level.

## ***Italian Unit 2***

**Semester:** Semester 2

**Teacher:** Ms Cataldo

### **Recommended Previous Studies:**

Students must have successfully completed VCE Italian Unit 1.

### **Course Content:**

You will have the opportunity to deepen your knowledge of Italian. Be challenged! We will focus on the following themes: Technology, Work, School and Music. You will be engaged in writing personal pieces, participating in conversations and role-plays, learning songs and watching a film. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in the 2020 Lavalla Study Tour in Italy. What a fantastic experience!

### **Assessed Coursework:**

- Responding to spoken, written and visual texts (writing a letter).
- Analysing and using information from written, spoken and visual texts (writing an article).
- Explaining information, ideas and concepts orally in Italian (an oral presentation).

**Skills:** You will be able to have a conversation, read and write in Italian at a high intermediate level.

## ***Italian Units 3 & 4***

Semester: Semester 1 & 2

Teacher: Ms Cataldo

### **Recommended Previous Studies:**

Students must have successfully completed VCE Italian Units 1 & 2.

### **Course Content:**

This year represents the culmination of all the work of the previous 5 years. You will be really proud of yourself.

Unit 3: The focus will be on the following themes: School and Work, Health and Wellbeing, Life and Leisure.

Unit 4: What an achievement! You will be one of the privileged people who can speak another language! We will focus on the following themes: History, Politics and Travel. We will also prepare a detailed study for the oral component of the exam.

### **Assessed Coursework:**

- Participating in a 'resolution to an issue' role-play
- Interpreting information from texts and writing responses in Italian.
- Writing an original text
- Participating in a spoken exchange.
- A written response to written, spoken and viewed texts.
- Presenting information, concepts and ideas in evaluative or persuasive writing on an issue in Italian.

### **Skills:**

You will be able to have a conversation, read and write in Italian at an advanced level.

### **Future Studies:**

Arts degree in languages. A degree that enables you to continue to study a language. Most courses will allow you to study a language even if the major is completely different (i.e. law, medicine)