



# Manurewa High School

Piki atu ki te rangi

## Year 9 Option Courses 2023

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The Year 9 programme for 2023 consists of the following courses – **English, Mathematics, Health and Physical Education, Science, Social Science, Te Reo Maaori and Technology.**

Please choose below from the following option subjects to be included in your Year 9 programme.

### Arts Courses – Please select two option courses below:

<b>Dance</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide students with the opportunity to explore movement as a dance art form. Students will develop insight, understanding and a practical knowledge of culturally significant dances. They will develop choreographic skills while learning to present and respond to movement.
<b>Drama</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide students with an introduction to the skills essential for creative drama and practical performance. Students will develop collaboration skills and will explore their ideas using mime, movement, body and voice. Students need to be aware this is a performance class.
<b>Music</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	This course is for students who are keen to learn how to read and play music. Students will study music theory and aural skills, especially focused around practical activities using keyboards and guitars.
<b>Visual Arts</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	This course allows students to further develop their art making and creative skills. They will complete works in different media including painting, print-making, design and sculpture. The emphasis of this course is on building students' skills and develop confidence with drawing and both wet and dry media. Student work will also be displayed in the school exhibition.
<b>Music Academy</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	This course is ideal for students who are keen to learn how to play and read music on a concert band instrument. It runs for the whole year, not just two terms. The instruments include flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet and trombone, with the opportunity to move onto others such as French horn, tuba, bass guitar and percussion. All students will receive specialist lessons on their chosen instrument at school from top musicians who come in to do this. Students will be expected to play in the Development Band and ultimately our very successful Concert Band as they progress, enabling them to play in competitions and attend overseas trips with us.

### Language Courses – Please select one option below:

<b>Digital Coding</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	This course will provide students with the opportunity to develop their digital literacy and work with coding software. Students will be able to develop their knowledge with different code languages. They will use this in a variety of applications including web and app design, gaming and basic robotics. Students will also have the opportunity to complete Microsoft Certification courses.
<b>ELL (English Language Learners)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ELL is a cross-curriculum programme which gives support and instruction in the four basis strands of language – reading, writing, listening and speaking. It is a course designed for language learners whose first language is not English, or want to improve their literacy skills.
<b>Japanese</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Students learn to communicate in simple spoken Japanese about themselves, their family and their likes and dislikes. Students are introduced to the Japanese writing systems. The study of Japanese culture includes making Japanese food, origami, writing with ink and brush and interacting with our exchange students from Japan.
<b>Samoan</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	An introduction to the spoken and written language of Samoa. The course topics will cover every day simple phrases in terms of listening, speaking and writing. This introductory level concentrates on the alphabet, vowels, pronunciation, vocabulary, grammar and greetings.
<b>Spanish</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you ever wanted to speak a beautiful and elegant language? Year 9 Spanish is a beginner's course in the beautiful Spanish language. This is a one-semester course (Term 1 & 2 or Term 3 & 4) where students will look at the basics of the Spanish language, with familiar topics; Introductions, Family, School and Culture. It is designed to give students the opportunity to learn a European language and experience another culture.