



Manurewa High School



2026

Course Information

Year 9

General Information



At Year 9 all students will participate in the following courses: English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Health & Physical Education, Te Reo Maaori, Technology, and Aotearoa New Zealand Histories.

To supplement these compulsory subjects, students must also choose **THREE** other options: **TWO** arts options and **ONE** language option.

Please ensure you select **TWO** from: 09ART (Art Practical), 09DAN (Dance), 09DRA (Drama), 09MUS (Music), or 09MUSB (Music Band).

Please select **ONE** from: 09DTE (Digital Technology), 09JAP (Japanese), 09SAM (Gagana Samoa), 09SPA (Spanish), or 09TON (Lea Faka-Tonga).

When choosing your subjects, remember to think about your interests, abilities, and how useful the subject might be for your future.



Within this booklet is information on the courses available for selection by Year 9 students.

They are organised according to Learning Areas.

Students choose **TWO** from the **blue highlighted courses** – they will do these courses for two terms each.

Students choose **ONE** international language – they will do this for one term. The other three terms will consist of Te Reo Maaori, Technology, and Aotearoa New Zealand Histories.

Dance	
09DAN	Dance

Digital Technology	
09DTE	Digital Technology

Drama	
09DRA	Drama

International Languages	
09JAP	Japanese
09SAM	Samoan
09SPA	Spanish
09TON	Tongan

Music	
09MUSB	Music Academy
09MUS	Music

Visual Arts	
09ART	Art Practical

Useful Information: Key questions for course selection

What courses do I enjoy?

Make sure you select subjects that you think you will enjoy.

What does this course lead to?

Study the Learning Area Posters where each course leads. Do any of the careers on the poster sound interesting to you? Try to choose subjects you could see yourself being interested in for a long time.

Pathways Support

For detailed information on possible future careers and what qualifications you need, go and make an appointment with one of our Pathways team. Miss Joy Williams or Mr Neil Craik by using the following email pathways@manurewa.school.nz.

Check out the general information links below:

Subject selection:

<https://tahatu.govt.nz/school-and-ncea/doing-ncea/choosing-ncea-subjects>

Explore NCEA subjects:

<https://tahatu.govt.nz/school-and-ncea/explore-ncea-subjects>

Explore career ideas:

<https://tahatu.govt.nz/work/explore-career-ideas>

www.careers.govt.nz



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY





Your Future!



Explore the World of Digital Technology and Careers!

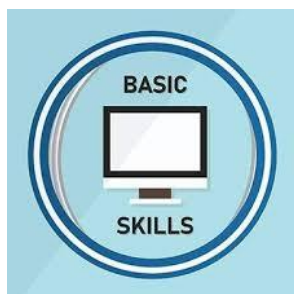
Enhance Your Skills with Microsoft Office and More!

09 DTE - Choose as one of your options in Year 9

- **MS Word:** Master the art of word processing. Create professional documents.
- **MS Excel:** Unlock the power of spreadsheets. Learn to organize data, create formulas, and analyze information effectively.
- **MS PowerPoint:** Develop your design skills and deliver engaging content to captivate your audience.
- **MS Publisher:** Unleash your creativity. Design eye-catching brochures, posters, and flyers to communicate your ideas effectively.
- **MS Access:** Dive into the world of databases. Learn to organize and manage information efficiently for personal and professional use.
- **Digital Outcome:** Develop skills to create digital outcomes using MS Excel and MS Access.

Enhance your Learner Profile Skills :

- Problem Solving
- Resilience
- Creativity
- Numeracy
- Literacy
- Financial Literacy



Course Name	Digital Technology	Course Code	09 DGT
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathways to Employment: Discover exciting career opportunities. Gain valuable skills in Digital Technology that are in high demand in today's job market. • Digital Technology as a Career: Explore the world of digital technology. Pursue a career in software development, data analysis, cybersecurity, or other tech-related fields. <p><i>Discover your passion and shape the future with digital technology</i></p>		



09 DTE Digital Technology

DANCE



YEAR 9

DANCE

FUTURE PATHWAYS:

- Professional Dancer
- Choreographer
- Artistic Director
- Studio Owner
- Dance Writer
- Event Organiser

LEARNER PROFILE

ARONUI | SERVANT LEADER - KAITIAKI - CULTURAL ROLE MODEL
CRITICAL THINKER - SOCIAL ACTIVIST
TUARUI | RESILIENCE - HAUORA - COMMUNICATION - CURIOSITY
ENTERPRISE - PROBLEM SOLVING - COLLABORATION
TUATEA | TE REO ME ONA TIKANGA - DIGITAL FLUENCY - LITERACY
CULTURAL INTELLIGENCE

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN?

- Learning new moves?
- Performing in front of an audience?
- Making your own dances?
- Going to live dance shows?
- Learning from the best in the country?

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Course Name

Year 9 Dance

Course Code

09DAN

Description

In this course students will explore a variety of different styles and genres such as Disco, Contemporary, Hip Hop and Cultural Dance. They will also create their own choreographies in small groups. This programme of learning includes both practical and written assessments. They will have two performance opportunities to showcase their work, the mid year and end of year show.

DRAMA





09DRAMA



BE BRAVE AND JOURNEY WITH US

FUTURE PATHWAYS INCLUDES:

- PERFORMING ARTIST
- DIRECTOR
- PRODUCER
- MEDIA/PRESENTER
- PLAYWRIGHT
- PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGIES -
LIGHTING / SOUND / STAGE
MANAGEMENT
- TEACHER

YOU WILL LEARN TO:

- DEVISE YOUR OWN SCENES.
- CREATE & DEVELOP INTERESTING
CHARACTERS
- ACTIVATE YOUR INNER ACTOR WITH
DRAMA BASED GAMES
- WATCH AND FORMULATE DETAILED
REFLECTIONS OF THEATRE
PRODUCTIONS
- WRITE AND DEVELOP YOUR OWN
SCRIPTS

NGA KETE O TE WAANANGA



- SERVANT LEADER
- CULTURAL ROLE MODEL
- CRITICAL THINKER
- SOCIAL ACTIVIST



- RESILIENCE
- COMMUNICATION
- CURIOSITY
- PROBLEM SOLVING
- COLLABORATION



- TE REO ME ONA TIKANGA
- LITERACY
- CULTURAL INTELLIGENCE

Course Name

Year 9 Drama

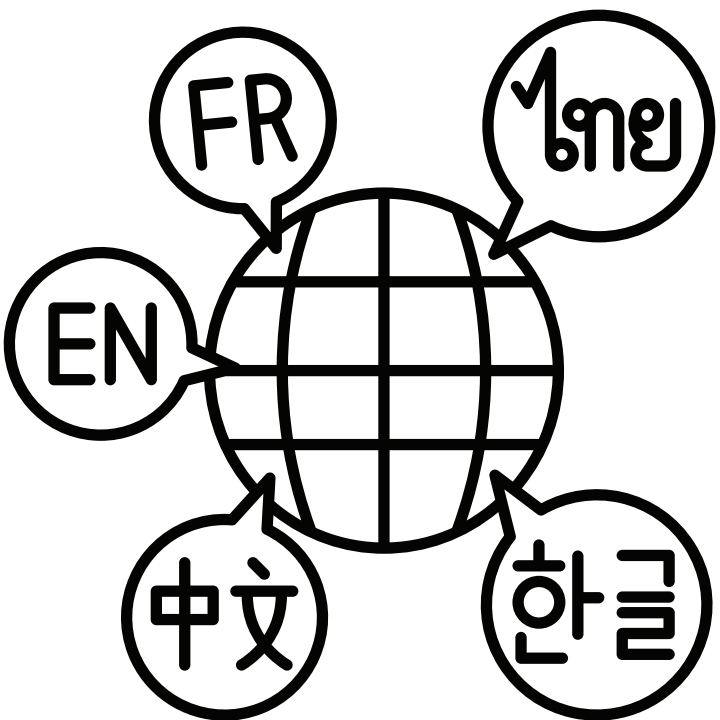
Course Code

09DRA

Description

Year 9 Drama introduces acting techniques and builds confidence through improvisation, teamwork, and exploration of Māori and Pasifika stories and characters.

INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES



Gracias
Arigato



Year 09 Japanese

Why Learn Japanese?

Home to Anime, Manga, Sushi, Japanese Martial Arts, Car and Technology companies, and spoken by over 130 million people: learning Japanese is exciting. Why not learn a new language and see why Japanese culture is popular in Aotearoa!

What will I learn?

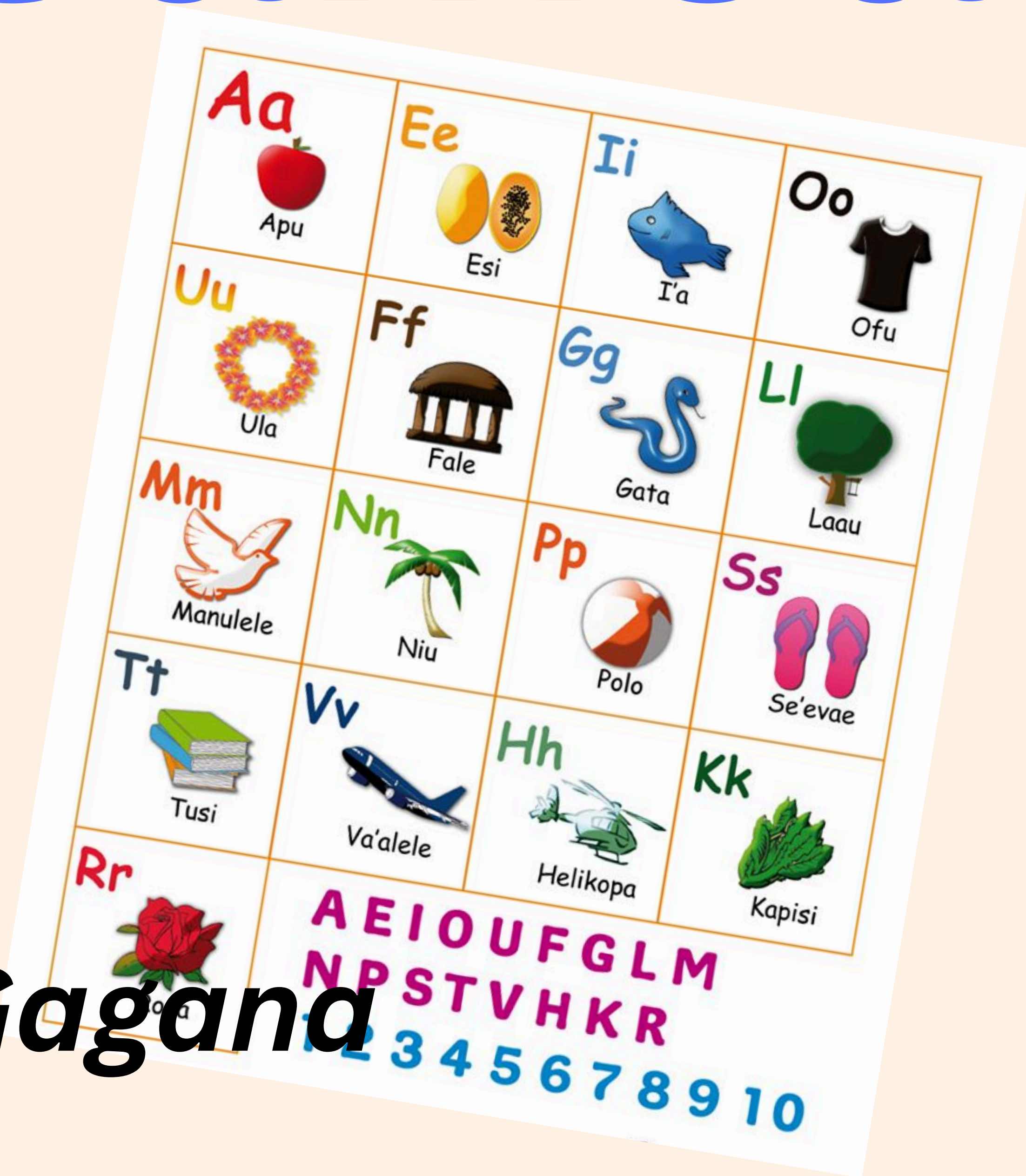
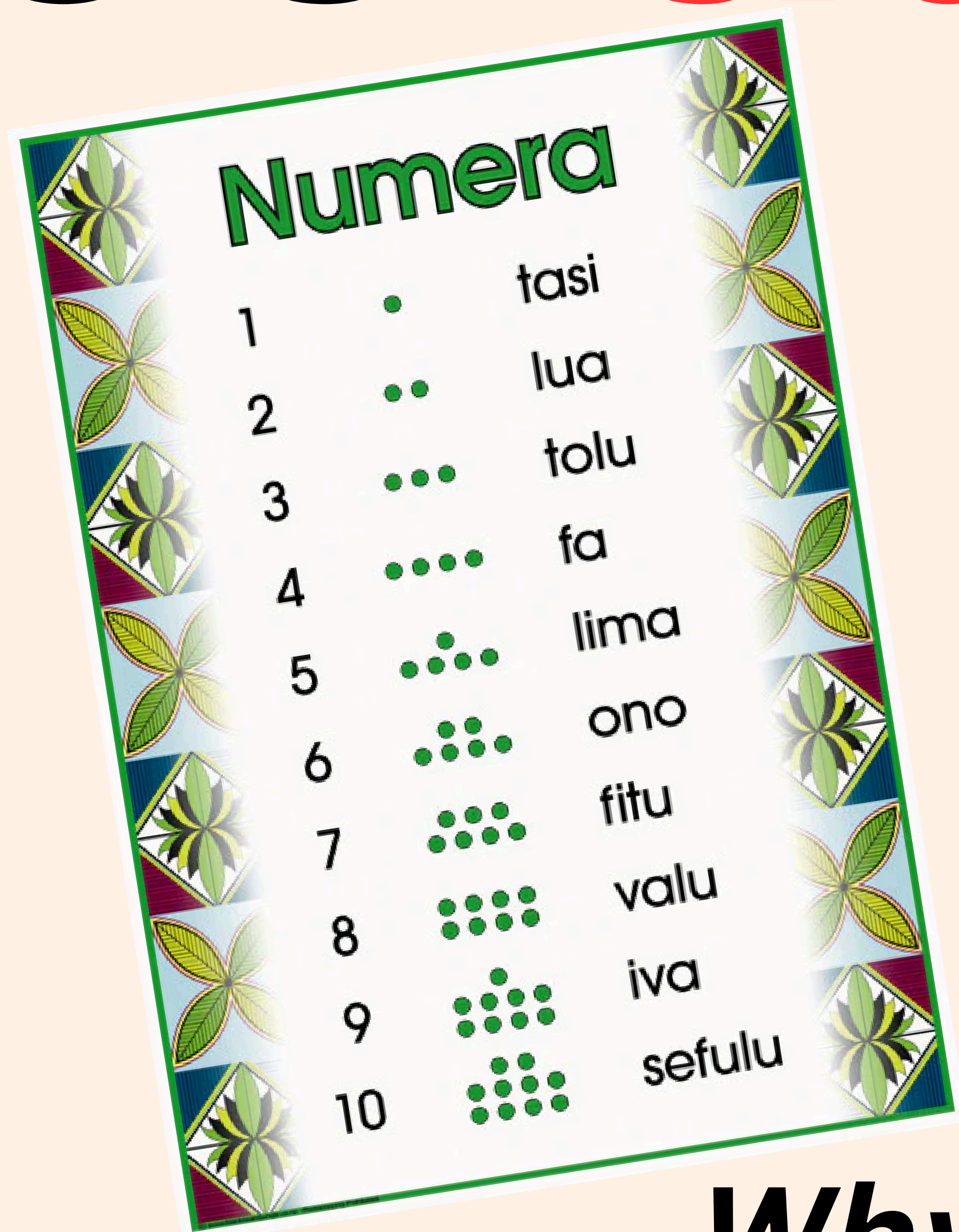
Japanese Culture, Greetings and Introductions and how to introduce myself in Japanese.

Future pathways

Work in Tourism, Education, Government, Teach English in Japan

Course Name	Year 09 Japanese	Course Code	09JAP
Description	Year 9 Japanese offers basic Japanese language to our Year 9 students. They will learn Japanese using the Romaji alphabet and focussing on introducing themselves in the Japanese language.		

09 Gagana Samoa



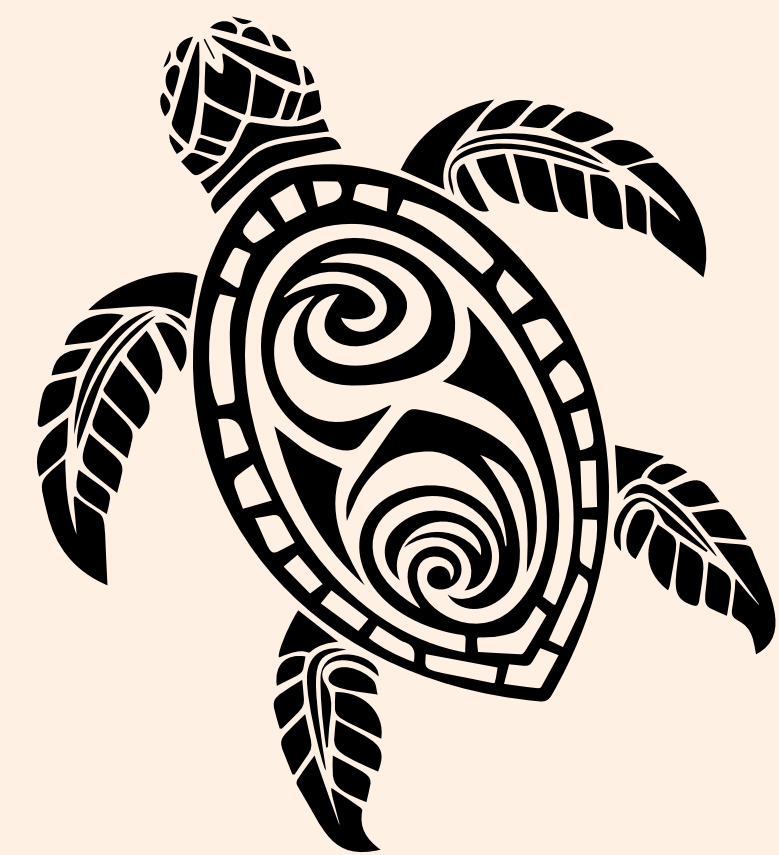
Why choose to learn Gagana Samoa?

You can have another worldview or perspective.

You can enhance your creativity and problem-solving skills.

You can learn about traditions, protocols, and culture.

Finally, you have fun learning about the Samoan Language



FUTURE
PATHWAYS



Politics, Travel and Tourism, Samoan Teacher, Trades, Translator and Interpreter and more.....

Course Name	Year 9 Gagana Samoa	Course Code	09SAM
Description	Year 9 Gagana Samoa offers basic Samoan language to our Year 9 students. They will learn how to introduce themselves using the Gagana Samoa, focussing on numbers, months, days and family.		

9SPA Year 9 Leads to Spanish Year 10



Why Spanish?



- It is an official language in 20 countries, so you can talk with millions of people around the globe.
- Spanish is a language of the future.
- It is easy to pronounce correctly from the written word (Familia, madre, padre, amigo).
- Sing your favourite song in Spanish.

Fun adds on:

Learn to make dips such as guacamole or chimichurri to impress your next family get-together.



Want to know more: Isa.McKay@manurewa.school.nz

Course Name	Spanish	Course Code	9SPA
Description	You will learn: greetings and farewells, introducing yourself including your age and who you live with, having a basic conversation, numbers (0-50), the date, and more...		

09TON YEAR 9 *Lea Faka-Tonga*



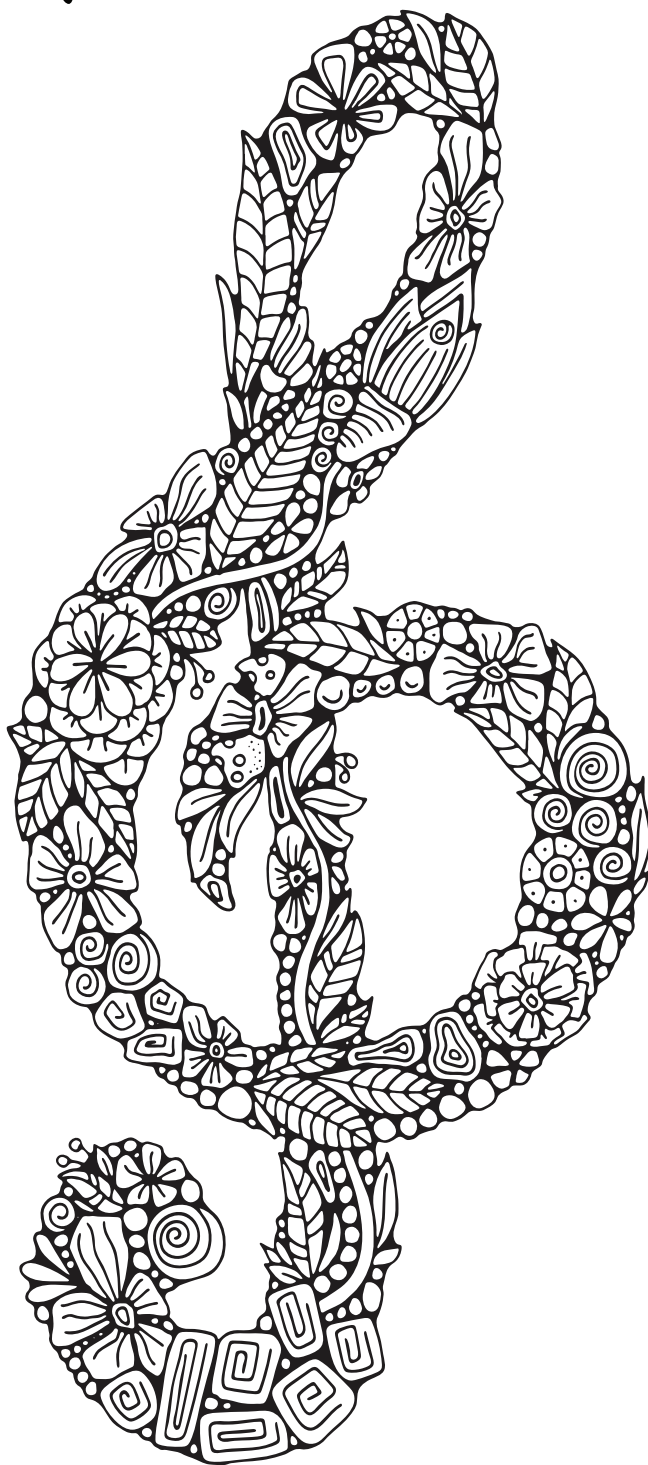
Look no further! Learning Lea Faka-Tonga (Tongan language) will open up doors into a world full of culture and all things Tonga. Would you like to be part of cultural enrichment and celebrate with our Tongan community their beautiful traditions and language. Are you of Tongan descent and would like to learn more of your heritage? This is the course for you! Learning the language can strengthen personal and cultural ties and will draw you

WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

At Year 9, you will be able to introduce yourself using the Tongan language and have basic conversations in Tongan with other students. If you choose to take Year 10 the following year, there is a restaurant trip to taste the foods of Tonga.

Course Name	Year 9 Lea Faka-Tonga Tongan	Course Code	09TON
Description	Year 9 Lea Faka-Tonga offers basic Tongan to our Year 9 students. They will learn numbers, months, days, how to say their age, how to introduce their family members and how to introduce themselves, in Lea Faka-Tonga.		

MUSIC





Year 9 Music

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ARONUI

Servant Leader

Kaitiaki

Cultural Role Model

Critical Thinker

Social Activist

Qualified

TUAURI

Resilience

Hauora

Communication

Curiosity

Enterprise

Creativity

Problem Solving

TUATEA

Te Reo Me Ona Tikanga

Numeracy

Digital Fluency

Literacy

Cultural Intelligence

Financial Literacy

09MUS

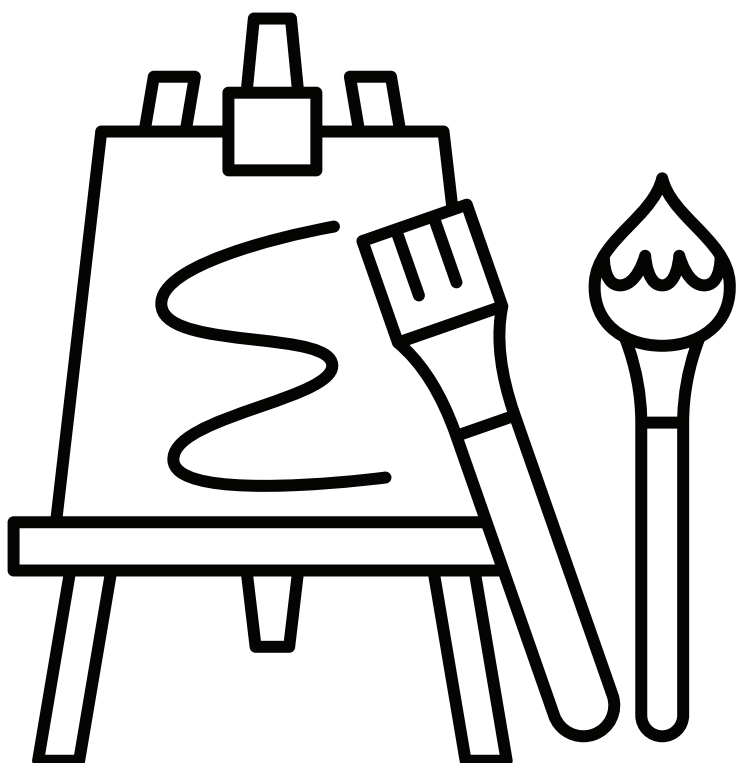
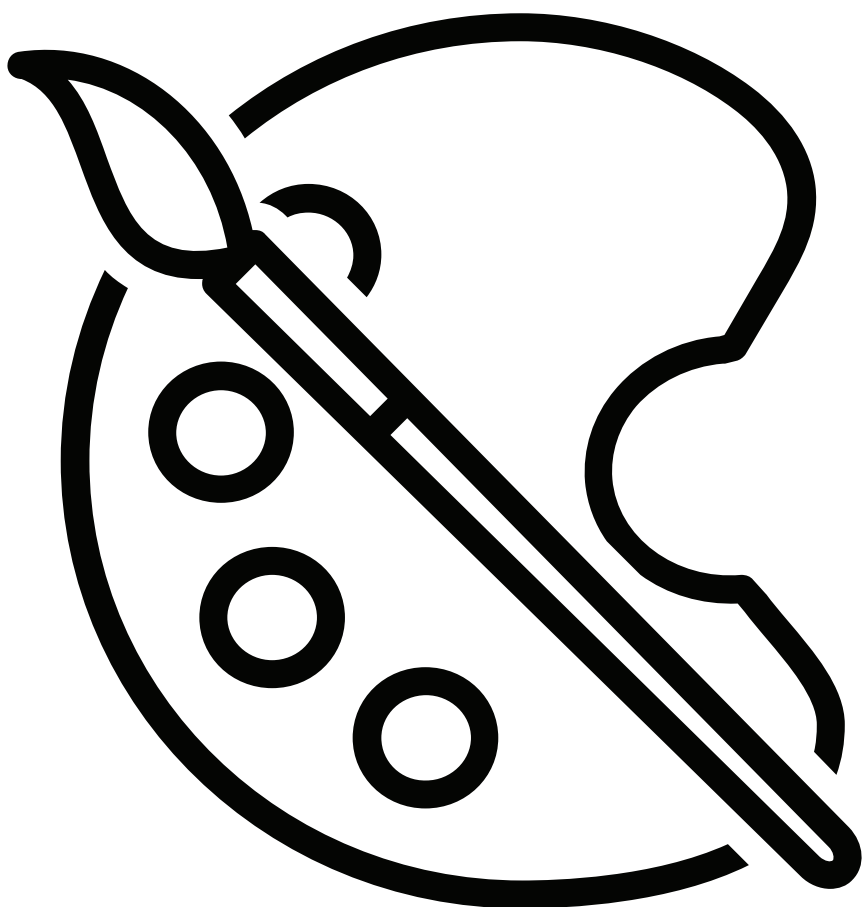
- ♪ Half Year Course
- ♪ Learn an instrument:
Guitar, Keyboard, Voice
- ♪ Digital Music
- ♪ Notation & Theory

09MUSB

- ♪ Full Year Course
- ♪ Learn an instrument:
Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone.
- ♪ FREE instrument rental and group lessons!

Course Name	Year 9 Music & Year 9 Music Band		Course Code	09MUS, 09MUSB
Description	<p>We offer two different music courses.</p> <p>09MUS: This is a half year course where you can learn Music through a combination of Guitar, Keyboard, Voice, and Digital platforms.</p> <p>09MUSB: This is a full year course where you learn Music through a focus on one of the following instruments: Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone, Trumpet or Trombone. This course includes FREE instrumental rental and group lessons!</p>			

VISUAL ARTS



Year 09 Art Practical

Are you drawn to:

- Artistic activities involving forms, designs, and patterns
- Acquiring techniques in drawing, painting, printing, and sculpture
 - Work that fosters self-expression
- Mastering a variety of mediums to enhance artistic skills
 - Hands-on work that contributes to your well-being



Course Name

Yeat 09 Art

Course Code

09ART

Description

This is a half year course that explores the basic elements of Art. Aakonga will experiment with a range of wet and dry media. Aakonga will learn to use artist models to influence their Art making.