



Manurewa High School



2027

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 Māori, 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: 09DGT (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 (Term 1 & 2, Term 3 & 4).

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	
09DGT	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



DANCE



YEAR 9

DANCE

FUTURE PATHWAYS:

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

LEARNER PROFILE

ARONUI | SERVENT 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.

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

09DGT

09 DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY | HANGARAU MATIHIKO



WHAT YOU CAN LEARN:



ELECTRONICS BASIC COMPONENTS

- Learn what basic electronic parts can do.
- Build simple circuits that light up, move, or make things work.
- Understand how electronic parts connect together to create fun projects.



PYTHON PROGRAMMING & MICROSOFT SUITE BASICS

- Coding Basics - Python programming introduction
- Break big problems into smaller steps to make them easier to code.
- Using Microsoft programs such as Teams, Excel, Word and PowerPoint.



HANDS ON WITH MECHATRONICS

- Build projects that use electronics, motors, sensors, and moving parts.
- Learn how machines can move, react, and be controlled.
- Create fun practical projects like robots, cars, and simple automated systems.



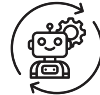
WHY CHOOSE THIS SUBJECT?



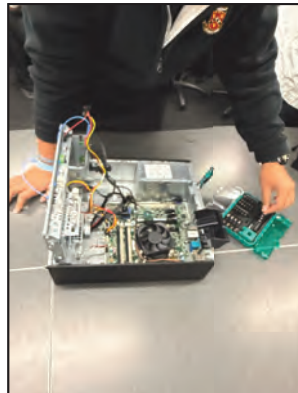
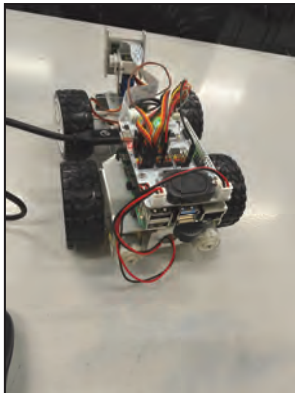
Fly and program drones. Learn about the components and have hands-on experience with digital technology.



Build and code the smart robotic systems used in factories, warehouses, and ports.



Build, wire, and fix the physical hardware, motors, and sensors on smart machines.



Machine Learning



Programming Tools



Code Avengers



Digital Designs



Personalized Projects



Prompt Engineering

Course Name

09 Digital Technology

Course Code

09DGT

Description

Digital Technology introduces students to exciting topics such as digital design, basic coding, PC hardware, electronics, and Microsoft suite. Through hands-on activities, students will build confidence, creativity, teamwork, and technical skills while exploring how technology is used to solve real world problems. Students who enjoy the subject can continue their learning by choosing Year 10 Digital Technology.

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

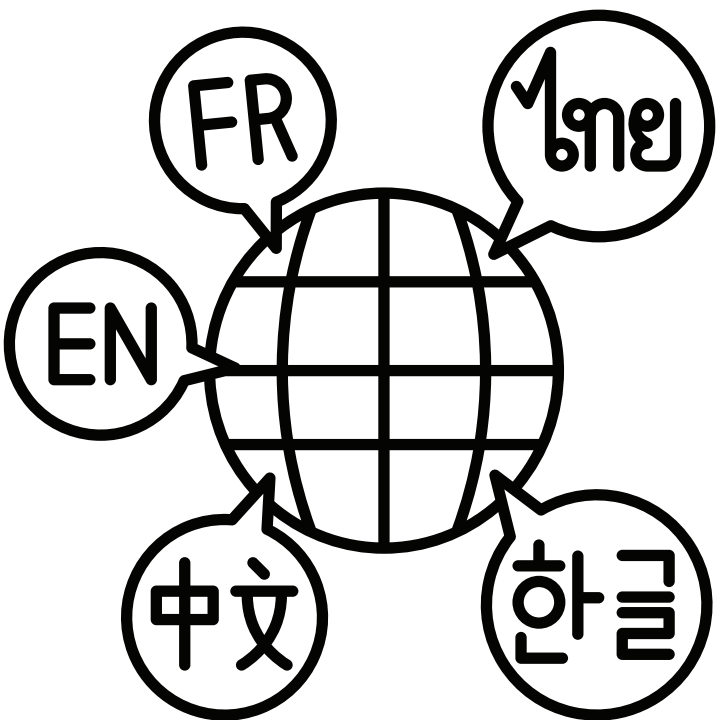
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09DRA

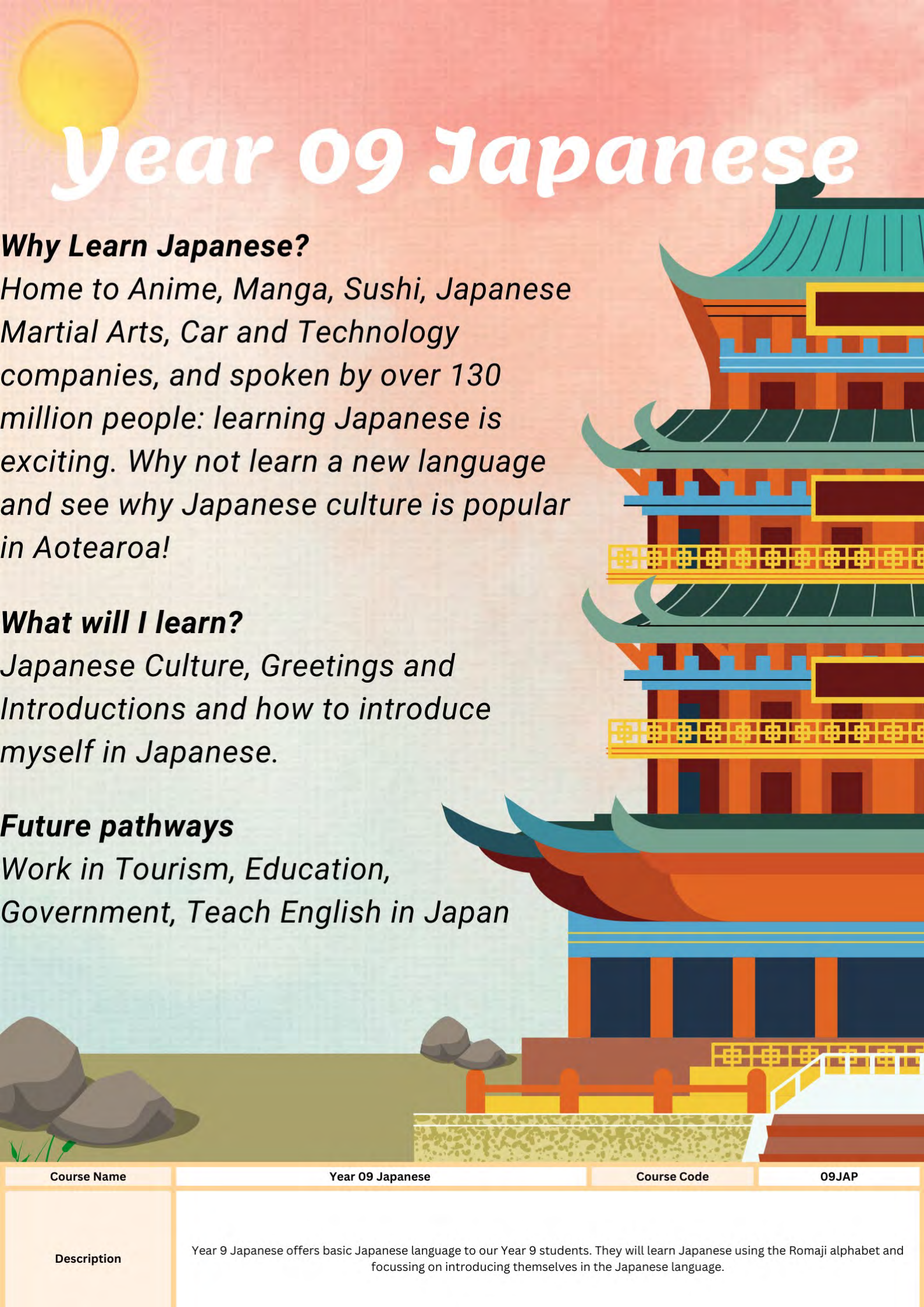
Description

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?

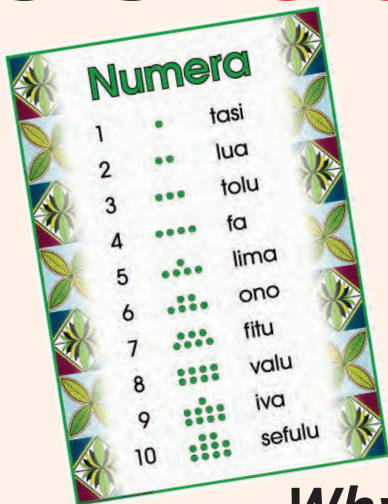
Japanese Culture, Greetings and Introductions and how to introduce myself in Japanese.

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*

Are you looking for another language to learn

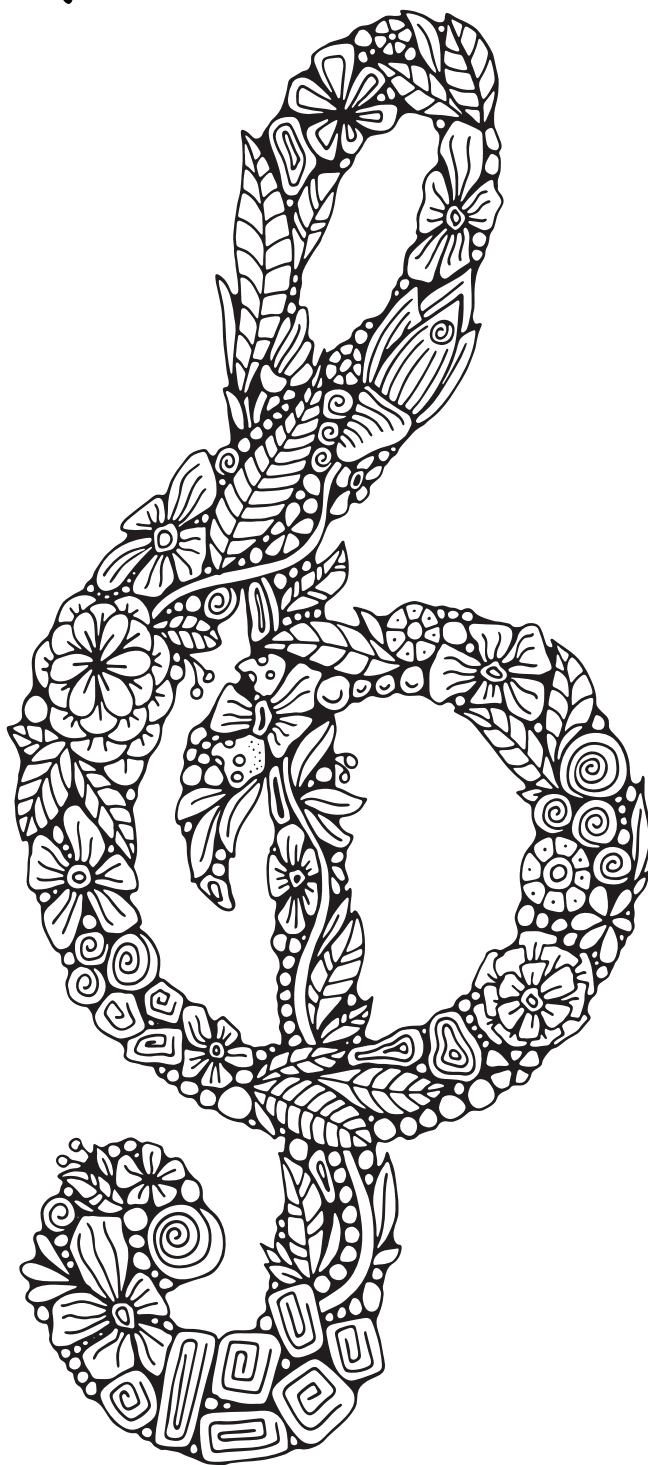
Look no further! Learning Lea Faka-Tonga (Tongan language) will open up doors into a world full of culture and all things Tonga. Would you like to be part of cultural enrichment and celebrate with our Tongan community their beautiful traditions and language. Are you of Tongan descent and would like to 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

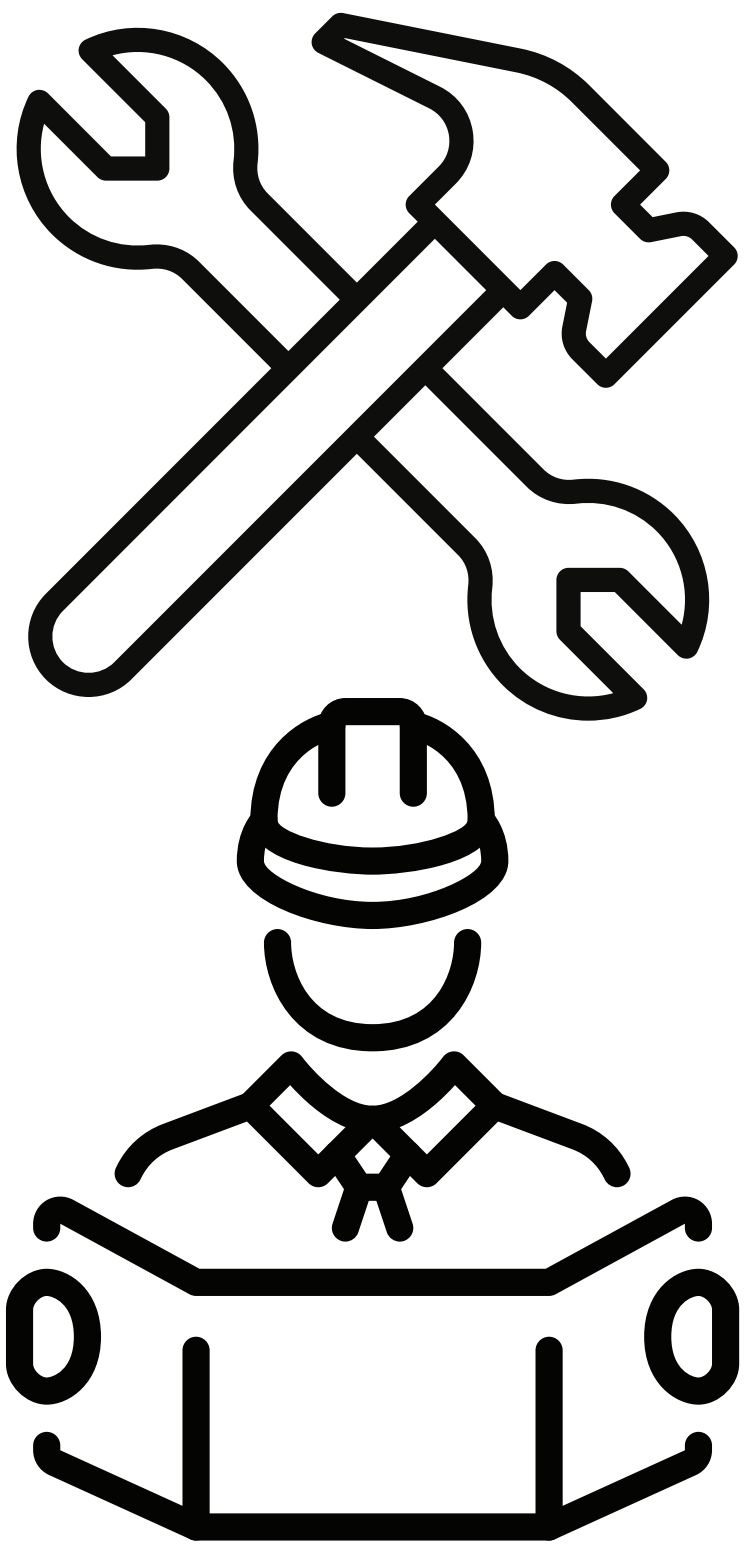
- ♪ Half Year Course
- ♪ Learn an instrument:
Guitar, Keyboard, Voice
- ♪ Digital Music
- ♪ Notation & Theory

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	We offer two different music courses. 09MUS: This is a half year course where you can learn Music through a combination of Guitar, Keyboard, Voice, and Digital platforms. 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!		

TECHNOLOGY



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09JTECH

JUNIOR TECHNOLOGY

FOOD
TECHNOLOGY
CONSTRUCTION
ENGINEERING



WHAT IS 09JTECH? ○ ○ ○

In 09JTECH we get to experience Food and Technology Construction Engineering.

What do we learn and how?

Through mini projects and by working in small groups you will develop basic skills in food preparation and in the workshop.

Where does it take you?

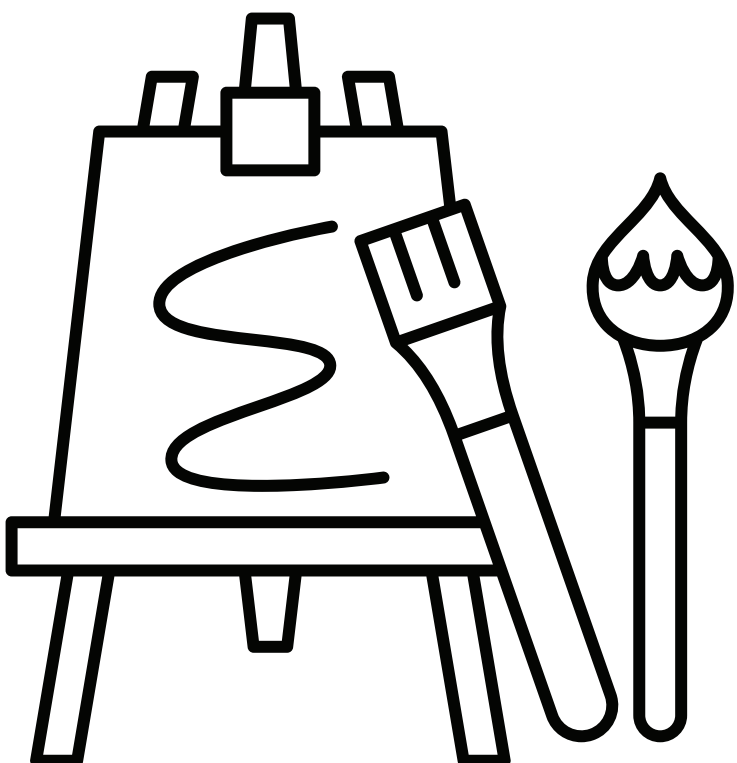
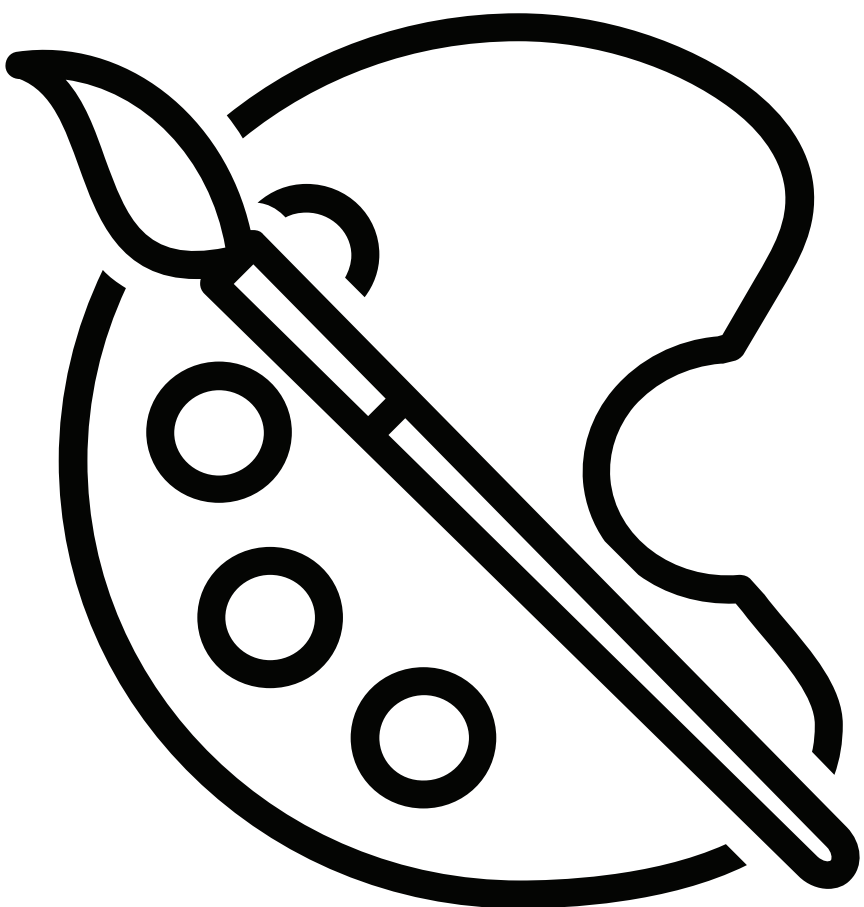
10 TEF - If you are more interested in Food Technology

10 TCE - If you are more interested in Technology Construction Engineering



Course Name	Junior Technology	Course Code	09JTECH
Description	What is 09JTECH? In 09JTECH we get to experience Food and Technology Construction Engineering. What do we learn and how? Through mini projects and by working in small groups you will develop basic skills in food preparation and in the workshop. Where does it take you? 10 TEF - If you are more interested in Food 10 TCE - If you are more interested in Technology Construction Engineering		

VISUAL ARTS



09ART MAHI TOI

Explore six creative units throughout the semester

01



Drawing & Mark Making

Build confidence with drawing, observation, and expressive marks.

02



Printmaking

Experiment with collagraph, monoprint, and block printing.

03



Painting

Explore watercolour, acrylic, colour, and visual storytelling.

04



Sculpture

Create clay forms using relief, texture, and meaningful pattern.

05



Design & DVC

Learn design principles, typography, digital tools, and drawing for design.

06



Photography

Make your own camera and explore light through pinhole photography.

Course Name

Year 9 Art

Course Code

09ART

Description

This is a half-year course where aakonga explore a wide range of art-making processes, including drawing, printmaking, painting, sculpture, design, and photography. Aakonga will experiment with different materials, techniques, and artist models while building confidence and discovering their own creative strengths. Whether you already love art or are just giving it a go, this course is about trying new things, developing skills, and finding out that art is for everyone.

