

# YEAR 7 CURIOUS CREATIONS

**SEMESTER 1 - 2025** 

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### What are Curious Creations?

Curious Creations runs every second Friday morning during Periods 1 and 2. Students select their preference from around 10 different courses, detailed in this booklet. They will study one course in Semester 1 and select a different one for Semester 2.

CONTRIBUTION: Some courses have a contribution fee to go towards covering material costs.

HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR COURSE: Bookings for Semester 1 open at 8:30am on Monday 10 February. Students will receive a link via their school email to make their selection. Choose a course that interests you, considering any fees or requirements. Selections must be made by 3.00pm on Wednesday 12 February 2025.

If you need help accessing your email, any teacher can assist you. The library is also available before school and during breaks for support.

Mrs Nicole Mulhearn Year 7 Deputy Principal Whenever you hear about or mention the term 'bush tucker' people are instantly excited!

Seeing bush tucker and being able to pick something raw off a plant and eat it there and then, is something everyone in all Schools should experience.

How exciting is to say we can do that at our school.

But the most important reason for creating a bush tucker garden is to connect to Aboriginal culture. Learning about and connecting to Country, the flora and fauna is at the heart of our culture. From planting, harvesting and tasting bush tucker, to storytelling, watching wildlife and cooking demonstrations, this course can make bush tucker gardening a fun and interesting place to learn about indigenous culture and healthy eating!

Students should make sure they advise the teacher if they suffer from any food allergies or intolerances that the school is not already aware of.

Ms Goolagong

Art Connect \$10.00

Immerse yourself in the world of art and let your creativity shine in the art studio. The *Art Connect* program offers an exciting opportunity to express your ideas through a variety of artistic activities. You'll have the chance to draw, paint, design, and create, experimenting with different techniques and processes to build your confidence as an artist.



Throughout the program, you'll participate in taster lessons

that introduce you to art styles and methods from diverse cultures. This hands-on experience will help you develop foundational art skills while encouraging personal expression and creative exploration. You'll work with various materials, including pencils, paints, clay, and even photography, as you discover new ways to bring your ideas to life.

In addition to creating individual projects, you'll learn about inspiring artists and their work, gaining insight into different artistic traditions. You'll also create your own art book to document your progress, collect examples, and showcase your unique artistic journey.

Ms Lyttle

Are you prepared to unleash your creativity with LEGO?

Get ready to dive into an exhilarating journey where engineering meets creativity in our "Engineering with LEGO"



unit! During the course you will explore fundamental engineering principles, unleash your storytelling talents, and tackle exciting building challenges. Imagine constructing the strongest bridge, designing a thrilling pinball machine, and even creating your own LEGO album cover! Each activity is designed to inspire your imagination while honing your teamwork and problem-solving skills.

You'll not only build incredible structures but also learn how to make your designs stronger and more effective. From testing the speed of your LEGO cars to constructing the tallest tower, every lesson will immerse you in hands-on learning that blends fun with essential engineering concepts. So, gather your creativity and collaborate with your classmates as you embark on this unforgettable LEGO adventure, where every brick you stack brings you closer to becoming a master engineer!

Ms Lenskyj

# Fiction Addiction NIL

Are you ready to escape into worlds beyond your own? Do you love stories that transport you to exciting, mysterious, or magical places? Then Fiction Addiction is the curious creation for you!

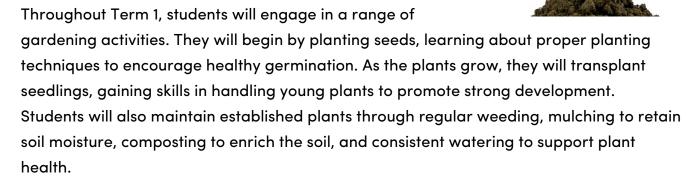
In Fiction Addiction, we dive deep into the heart of fiction, exploring novels that captivate and challenge your imagination. We will journey into magical worlds, build our reading skills, connect with fellow book lovers and be inspired to create our own stories.

Whether you're an avid reader or just looking to discover your next favourite book, Fiction Addiction will help you see literature in a whole new light. Join the club, feed your imagination, and indulge your love for fiction – because once you're hooked, there's no turning back!

So, are you ready to get addicted?

Miss Koulouris

Students will maintain and utilize existing garden beds to grow a variety of plant species, including those used as ground covers, for decorative purposes, and in food preparation. This hands-on experience will help students develop practical gardening skills, enhance their understanding of plant care, and foster an appreciation for sustainability and the natural environment.



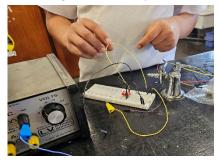
As the plants reach maturity, students will participate in harvesting, experiencing the full growth cycle from seed to table. Additionally, basic landscaping activities will enhance the garden's appearance and functionality, promoting creativity and teamwork.

Mrs Hermens

iStem \$15.00

Get ready to dive into the exciting world of Science and Engineering with hands-on challenges that will test your creativity, design skills, and teamwork!

Working in teams, you'll brainstorm, plan, and build projects while learning about science,



engineering, and design principles. E ach challenge will push you to think critically and innovate. After building your projects, you'll compete in friendly contests to see how they stack up against others.

Join us for a journey where imagination meets engineering and discover how fun science can be!

Mrs Gray

Loom Knitters Club \$10.00

Looking for a creative outlet to unwind and make something unique? The Loom Knitters

Club is where you can learn to craft everything from cozy beanies to scarves and bags using circular looms. Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, this curious creation offers a relaxing and supportive environment to explore the art of circular loom knitting.

Why join the Loom Knitters Club? We will create with purpose, making gifts for yourself and others. You may also choose to create baby beanies to donate to the NICU. We will share ideas and inspiration with fellow knitters and build a community of like-minded creators.



Knitting offers a peaceful, focused way to take a break and tap into your creativity.

Ms Sheehan

Makin' It! \$20.00



To win, you need to get crafty!

This Curious Creation invites students to compete for the title of Master Maker. Each lesson, participants will undertake a Fast Craft mini project.

Students, referred to as Makers, will have two hours to design an item inspired by a mystery theme. At the conclusion of each lesson, one Maker will be recognised as the winner of the Fast Craft challenge and will earn

a Makin' IT Patch.

The Maker who accumulates the most patches by the end of the Semester will receive the prestigious Master Maker Patch along with a grand prize.

Mrs Mulhearn

Musical Theatre NIL

Step into the spotlight and join an exciting adventure into the world of musical theatre! This course is designed specifically for Year 7 students who want to explore the magic of singing, acting, and dancing. Whether you're a seasoned performer or just starting out, there's a place for everyone on stage.

Each week, you'll dive into a new area of musical theatre. You'll kick off by discovering the history of musicals and sharing your favourite shows. In the following weeks, you'll learn acting techniques to bring characters to life, participate in vocal warm-ups, and develop your own dance routines. By the middle of the course, you'll combine singing, acting, and dancing into a polished performance, with a focus on building confidence and stage presence.

As the final performance approaches, you'll rehearse with your fellow students, perfecting your character and performance. You'll even get the chance to wear costumes and props during the dress rehearsal, feeling just like a professional performer.

By the end of the course, you'll be ready for a grand finale in front of an audience of friends and family. This journey promises to be filled with creativity, fun, and lasting memories. Ready to take the stage? Let the adventure begin!

Mrs Howard

Pantry Basics \$25.00

This engaging and hands-on program introduces students to fundamental cooking techniques while fostering creativity, teamwork, and an appreciation for healthy eating. Throughout the course, students will develop essential kitchen skills, explore a variety of recipes, and gain confidence in their culinary abilities. They'll learn about kitchen safety, hygiene, and the importance of using proper equipment.



Students will be introduced to a range of recipes that showcase both sweet and savory dishes, while also gaining an understanding of nutrition and the cultural significance of various foods. This program encourages personal expression and creativity in the kitchen, helping students develop lifelong cooking skills.

Requirements for each lesson in this topic:

oxdot Enclosed leather shoes oxdot Apron

✓ Hair net✓ Container (to take food home)

We hope parents will support their children's culinary journey by discussing the dishes prepared and fostering a love for cooking at home. We look forward to a fun, educational, and rewarding term ahead, where students will discover the joy of cooking and gain valuable skills for the future.

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Miss Stubbs

### **Sporting Spartans**

NIL

Are you a Year 7 student who loves sports, thrives on physical activity, and enjoys friendly competition? Then Sporting Spartans is for you!

Join dynamic teams where teamwork and sportsmanship shine. You'll compete in exciting sports like Oztag, Netball, Soccer, Volleyball, Vortex Endzone, and Frisbee.

But that's not all! You'll be coached by skilled VET Sports Coaching students who'll help you sharpen your skills, boost your strategies, and grow as a team player.

Last year, over 80 students battled it out, with the Max Mavericks and Tayla Tigers claiming victory. Now it's your turn—will your team be the 2025 champions?

Don't miss this chance to challenge yourself, make new friends, and have a blast. Join the Sporting Spartans today and let the games begin!

Miss Gillingham and Mr Moon

# The Beauty Blueprint

\$25.00

Discover the true essence of beauty in The Beauty Blueprint, an inspiring and creative course that goes beyond appearances to explore what makes us feel beautiful. Through themes like self-expression, confidence, and well-being, you'll gain a deeper understanding of how beauty comes from within just as much as it does from the outside.

The course takes you on a journey through time, examining beauty standards from different cultures and eras. You'll explore the elegance of ancient Egypt, the traditions of classical China, the artistry of the Renaissance, and the glamour of 1920s Hollywood. Along the way, we'll discuss how beauty ideals have evolved and how factors like media, cultural traditions, and the cosmetic industry continue to shape the way we perceive beauty today.

To bring these ideas to life, you'll engage in hands-on activities that connect historical beauty practices with modern self-care. Create natural lip balms with essential oils, exfoliating sugar scrubs, and soothing herbal bath salts. You'll also craft hydration hair

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masks using simple, nourishing ingredients and even make your own natural kohl eyeliner inspired by ancient Egyptian techniques.

The Beauty Blueprint is more than a course—it's a journey to discover what beauty truly means to you.

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Miss Barrett

# **Timber Toy Making**

\$10.00

Are you interested in woodworking? Do you want to create something with your hands out of timber? If so, Timber Toy Making is the perfect activity for you. Throughout the term, you will learn how to measure, cut, and sand timber pieces, as well as how to use a variety of hand tools and machinery with confidence.

As you develop your skills, you'll gain self-assurance in handling these tools and work towards assembling your very own timber toy. By the end of the course, you'll have the satisfaction of taking home a toy car that you crafted yourself, all in a safe and enjoyable environment.

WHS requirements for each lesson in this topic:

☑ Enclosed leather shoes

☑ Safety Glasses

Mr Warren

### Web Wizards: Unlocking the Magic of HTML

NIL

In this exciting unit, students will embark on a thrilling adventure into the world of web development! As aspiring web wizards, students will learn to harness the power of HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) to create their own vibrant and interactive web pages.

Throughout the unit, students will explore the fundamental building blocks of HTML, mastering essential tags and elements that bring their digital creations to life. They will dive into the intricacies of text formatting, image embedding, and creating links that connect their pages to the vast world of the internet. With hands-on projects, students will work collaboratively to design and build their own personal web pages, showcasing their creativity and unique perspectives.

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Beyond the technical skills, students will also engage in critical discussions about digital citizenship, exploring the responsibilities that come with creating and sharing content online. By the end of the unit, students will not only have a solid understanding of HTML but will also be equipped with the knowledge to navigate the digital landscape safely and ethically.

Join us on this magical journey as we transform ideas into reality and unleash the web wizards within! Get ready to code, create, and captivate!

Mr Cocking