GENERAL MATHEMATICS



General Mathematics is designed for students who want to extend their mathematical skills. It incorporates a more detailed approach that equips learners for their needs as future citizens, preparing them for tertiary studies, vocational education or work in a complex and rapidly changing world.

Students undertaking this subject will further develop future focused skills as critical and creative thinkers, innovators and problem-solvers in an ever-changing world. They develop their ability to take initiative and promote curiosity in an increasingly complex and data driven world. Learning reinforces prior knowledge and continues to develop key mathematical ideas.

Students in Year 11 and 12 study:

- Money, measurement and relation
- Applied trigonometry, algebra, matrices and univariate data
- The use of matrices and networks to model and solve authentic problems
- Bivariate data, sequences and change and Earth Geometry
- Investing and networking

Topics are developed systematically, with increasing levels of complexity and connection as skills in patterns, order and generality and uncertainty are investigated.

Problems are explored and solved through observation, reflection and logical reasoning using a concise communication system involving written, symbolic, spoken and visual components.

A real-life application of the finance topic assists students to become well-informed consumers of loans, annuities and perpetuities to assist them in comparing products for best purpose, managing money and compound interest. It also contains foundational statistic topics that will equip students with knowledge to apply formulae to spreadsheets.

Emphasis is placed on the mastery of content, ensuring key concepts or procedures are confidently applied. This assists students to make connections between related concepts in both complex familiar and complex unfamiliar situations.

Career Opportunities:

- Business, e.g. trades, nursing, tourism and hospitality
- Commerce, e.g. administrative roles
- Education
- Finance
- IT
- Social science
- The creative industries

