



SANTA MARIA
COLLEGE

Enhanced Learning Program

At Santa Maria College we believe all students can, and should, be challenged. All students should have access to innovative programs that go beyond the curriculum and, connect learning to life. That is why we developed our Enhanced Learning Program.

The Enhanced Learning Program is a suite of carefully crafted, challenging learning experiences that are scoped and sequenced across Years 5 -10.

Each one adds to a student's skill set as well as their understanding of the world beyond the school walls.

Each year, every student participates in a learning experience that is designed to highlight a particular set of skills. Those skills link back to our Connecting Learning to Life (CL2L) key attributes.

Fearless5

DESIGN THINKING
YEAR 5



Fearless5 is about problem solving. It is designed to develop courageous and resilient learners who take risks, learn from their failures and show initiative in their learning. Students experiment with, and find, new ways to design and create set projects. They evaluate their choices, modify their designs and use design-thinking processes to develop skills in reflective problem solving.

**#resilience #problem solving
#initiative**

Spark6

TECHNOLOGY THINKERS
YEAR 6



This program is part of the Digital Technology curriculum. It is aimed at developing creative, critical thinkers who can use initiative to design and develop new ideas, critique their work and justify their results. Students use a range of technologies and software to help them explore their world, create animations and build models.

**#creativity #critical thinking
#initiative #ict capabilities**

Seek7

SUSTAINABILITY SOLUTIONS
YEAR 7



The aim of this four-day learning experience is to stimulate curiosity and encourage the exploration of ideas in a structured process to answer today's big questions. Students participate in workshops and develop strategies to effectively collaborate, analyse information, solve problems and to support sustainability and stewardship.

**#curiosity #creativity
#collaboration #initiative
#stewardship #problem solving**

Explore8

INNOVATIVE IDEAS
YEAR 8



Year 8 students are immersed in this cross-curricular program for up to two weeks. The focus is curiosity, problem solving, initiative and creativity. Students engage with guest speakers and the design thinking process. They develop a personal project where they innovate to create a solution to a problem they identify in our community. The culmination of Explore8 is an exhibition of each student's project.

**#curiosity #creativity
#problem solving
#initiative #compassion
#confidence**

Strive9

SOCIAL ACTION
YEAR 9



Strive9 is a Homeroom based Social Action project. The key element of this program is 'action', with students sharing their gifts and talents to make a difference in the world. It is about students acknowledging their role in their local and global communities, and embracing the opportunity to act collaboratively to make a difference.

**#compassion #collaboration
#emotional intelligence
#initiative #resilience #financial
literacy #confidence**

Future10

FUTURE SKILLS
YEAR 10



Future10 is designed to equip our Year 10 students with valuable skills for the future, particularly financial literacy. External presenters discuss a range of financial concepts including smart spending, credit, risk and return and budgeting. Additional workshops include topics such as finding your purpose, embracing new opportunities and wellbeing. This final Enhanced Learning Program has a focus on celebrating the end of Year 10 and looking forward with confidence to Years 11 and 12.

**#financial literacy
#emotional intelligence
#respect #compassion**