



# **GISBORNE SECONDARY COLLEGE**

**VCE PARENT INFORMATION EVENING  
2018**

**Victorian  
Certificate of  
Education**

# PURPOSE OF EVENING

**Introduce families to the key personnel in the Senior School.**

**Provide an overview of our new Senior School Study & Support Program (4SP).**

**Provide information to parents and students about the structure of VCE and how it differs from previous years.**

# SENIOR SCHOOL STUDY & SUPPORT PROGRAM (4SP)

- The core of the Senior School Study & Support Program is to develop 'lifelong learners'. It is an opportunity to support our students to develop the skills necessary to thrive in a knowledge rich, constantly changing world of today and the immediate future.
- The program aims to engage our students with not just subject – specific content and revision skills, but to engage them with learning throughout different stages of their lives. It is about developing the characteristics that will make learning a valued part of their lives when they leave school.

# Year 11 Senior School Program

## Term 1

Week	Session 1	Session 2
1	<b>Introduction to 4SP</b> VCE Requirements/Expectations English/Literature Requirements (TM/WA)	Emotional Landscape in the Senior Years and check MIPs Sheet (mentor groups)
2	Guest Speaker: Past Year 11 Student Goal Setting	<b>SWIMMING CARNIVAL</b> Supervised Study Session
3	<b>SCHOOL PHOTOS</b>	Student Leadership Group/Other Program (TS)
4	Managing My Time (BOM)	Supervised Study Session
5	Study Skills Workshop 1 (Note Taking/Homework Planning) (TS/HU)	<b>CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVITIES (TS)</b>
6	ENGLISH SAC PREPARATION (WA/TM)	<b>INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY ACTIVITIES (TS)</b>
7	<b>ENGLISH SAC</b>	GENERAL MATHS SAC PREPARATION (LJ)
8	<b>GENERAL MATHS SAC</b>	<b>GSC ATHLETICS CARNIVAL</b>
9	Study Skills Workshop 1 (Note Taking/Homework Planning) (TS/HU)	End of Term Celebration/Assembly Awards

# Year 12 Senior School Study & Support Program

## Term 1

Week	Session 1	Session 2
1	Introduction to 4SP VCE Requirements and Resources (AF) English/Literature Requirements (TM/WA)	Emotional Landscape in the Senior Years Check student information form (mentor groups)
2	Careers Dates(KH) - ALL Stress Management (BOM) – In Groups	<b>SWIMMING CARNIVAL</b>
3	<b>SCHOOL PHOTOS</b>	Student Leadership Group/Other programme (TS)
4	Guest Speaker Past Year 12 Goal Setting	Supervised Study Session
5	Time Management (BOM)	<b>CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVITIES</b>
6	Supervised Study Session	<b><i>Further Maths Univariate Data Test</i></b>
7	<b><i>ENGLISH SAC 1 Prep – Lecture WA</i></b>	Student Leadership Group/Other programme
8	<b><i>ENGLISH SAC 1</i></b>	<b>GSC Athletics Carnival</b>
9	Parent – Teacher Interviews	Year Level Assembly (End of Term Celebration)

# THE ESSENTIALS OF VCE

## Year 11

- Unit 1 - 6 subjects
- Unit 2 - 6 subjects

**Total 12 units**

## Year 12

- Unit 3 - 5 subjects
- Unit 4 - 5 subjects

**Total 10 units**

**Total 22 units**

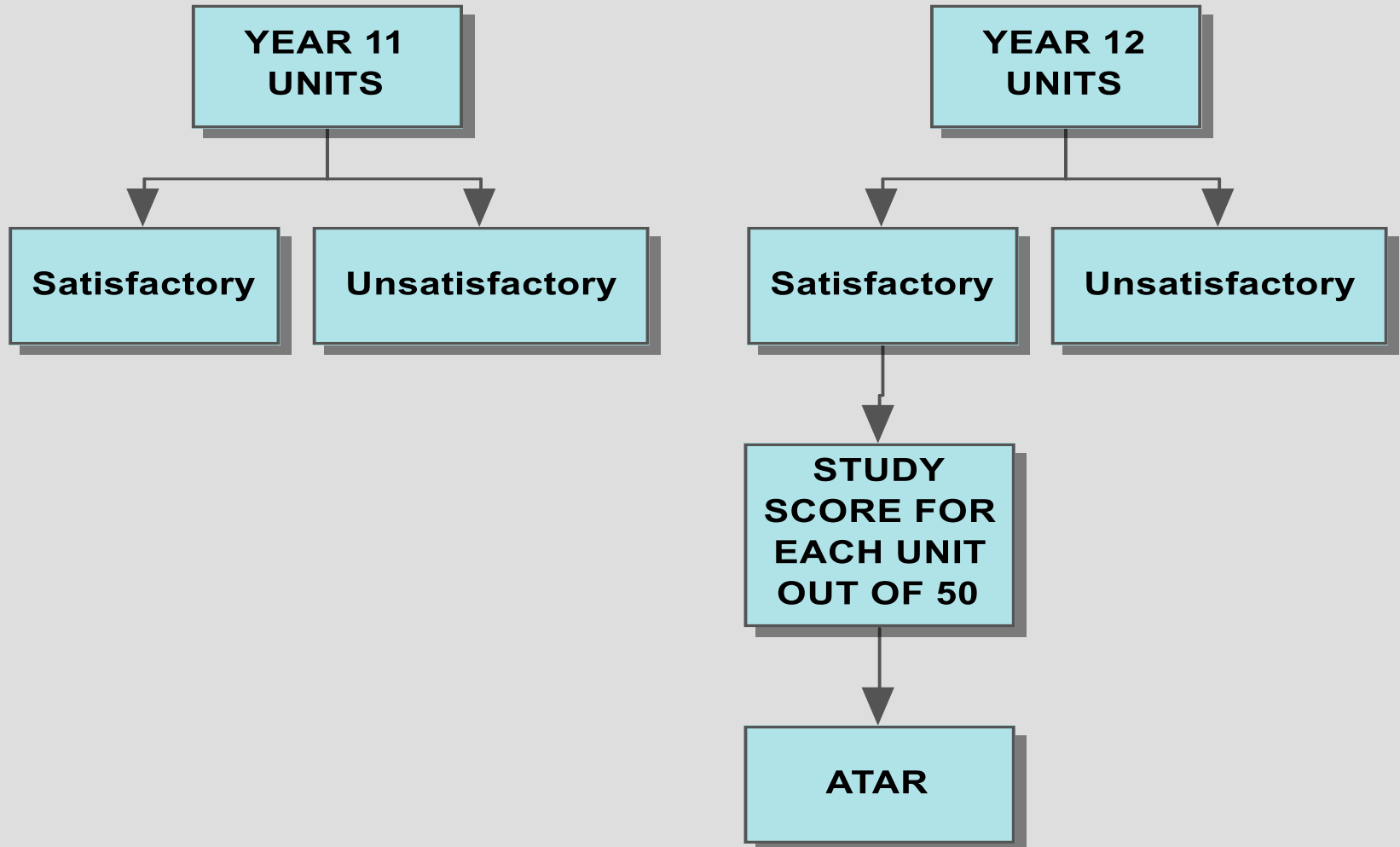
# THE ESSENTIALS

What you need at the end of the Year 12...

- 16 satisfactory units
- At least 3 satisfactory English Group
- At least 3 Satisfactory Unit 3 & 4 sequences other than English Group.
- If you want an ATAR, you need a Unit 3 & 4 English Sequence.



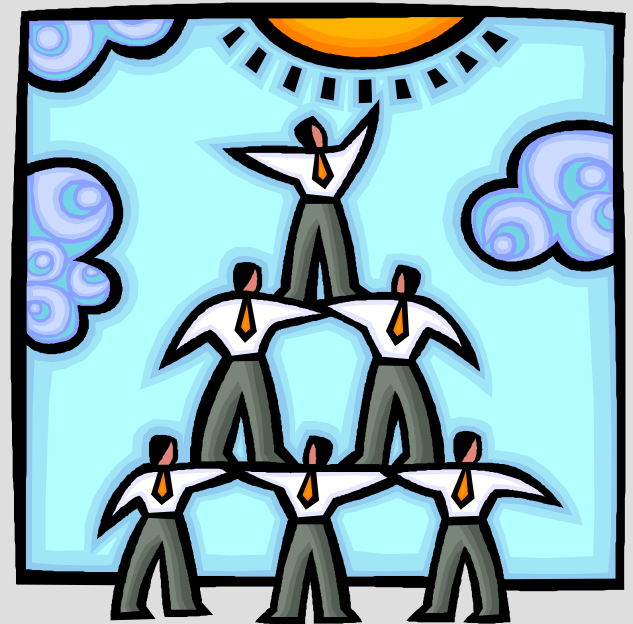
# THE ESSENTIALS OF VCE





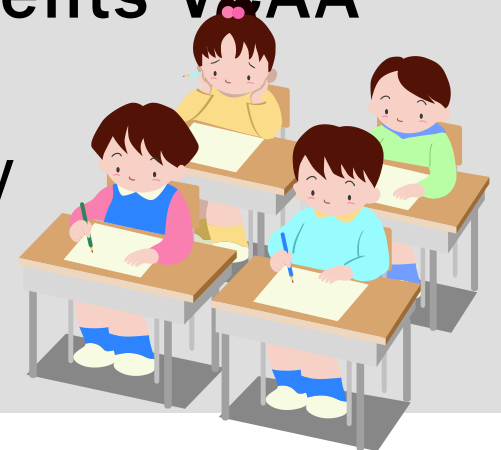
# WHAT MAKES A UNIT SATISFACTORY?

- Complete all set work and meet the outcomes.
- At least 85% attendance  
This includes:
  - days WITH or WITHOUT a MEDICAL CERTIFICATE



# ASSESSMENT

- **School Assessed Coursework (SACs) – school based**
- **School Assessed Tasks (SATs) – school based**
  
- **YEAR 12:**
- **External Examinations - VCAA**
- **Results of these determine a students VCAA study score out of 50**
- **Each VCE subject will have a study score**



# IMPORTANT DATES

- **GAT Date: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June**
- **Collect Assessment Timelines for each Year Level**
- **Exam Dates**

# ATAR

## **The Australian Tertiary Admission Rank**

- **The ATAR is a rank that allows the comparison of students who have completed different combinations of Year 12 (VCE/HSC) courses. The ATAR is calculated solely for use by universities to rank and select school leavers for admission to tertiary courses. Other selection criteria may be used together with the ATAR.**
- **Student ATARs are from 99.95 to 0.05**

# CALCULATING THE ATAR

ATAR is calculated by determining the 'Aggregate' for all Year 12 students who received Study Scores for their subjects.

- Students English Study Score and their next best 3 Study Scores are aggregated.

Primary 4

- English - 35
- Further Maths - 40
- Physical Education - 20
- Biology - 18

- 10% of 5<sup>th</sup>

- 10% of 6th if available

Increment

- Health - 16 (10% = 1.6)
- IT - 16 (10% = 1.6)

Aggregated ATAR = 116.2

Students ranked on aggregated ATAR.

# CALCULATING THE ATAR

Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre  
2016 Aggregate to ATAR Table  
12 December 2016



The table below gives the 2016 ATAR corresponding to the range of 2016 scaled aggregates.

ATAR	Range		ATAR	Range		ATAR	Range	
99.95	211.03	230.00	98.35	186.67	186.97	96.75	178.27	178.58
99.90	207.87	211.02	98.30	186.44	186.66	96.70	178.01	178.26
99.85	206.09	207.86	98.25	186.04	186.43	96.65	177.81	178.00
99.80	204.70	206.08	98.20	185.71	186.03	96.60	177.61	177.80
99.75	202.63	204.69	98.15	185.35	185.70	96.55	177.41	177.60
99.70	201.41	202.62	98.10	185.07	185.34	96.50	177.12	177.40
99.65	200.53	201.40	98.05	184.81	185.06	96.45	176.94	177.11
99.60	199.47	200.52	98.00	184.53	184.80	96.40	176.68	176.93
99.55	198.78	199.46	97.95	184.23	184.52	96.35	176.49	176.67
99.50	197.65	198.77	97.90	183.95	184.22	96.30	176.28	176.48
99.45	196.76	197.64	97.85	183.72	183.94	96.25	176.09	176.27
99.40	196.11	196.75	97.80	183.44	183.71	96.20	175.97	176.08
99.35	195.39	196.10	97.75	183.16	183.43	96.15	175.71	175.96
99.30	194.83	195.38	97.70	182.92	183.15	96.10	175.53	175.70
99.25	194.29	194.82	97.65	182.63	182.91	96.05	175.35	175.52
99.20	193.83	194.28	97.60	182.39	182.62	96.00	175.17	175.34
99.15	193.43	193.82	97.55	182.14	182.38	95.95	174.99	175.16

# ATTENDANCE

- **85% attendance is required in all subjects.**
- **This includes:**
- **DAYS WITH OR WITHOUT A MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.**

# REDEMPTIONS

- These are applicable if a student is absent (without a medical certificate) or does not complete a SAC to a satisfactory standard.
- Contacted by the subject teacher.
- Letter sent home of the time the student has been allocated to re-sit the assessment task.
- The 'redemption' task will be given a score of 'zero' as the student is only sitting the task to receive a 'satisfactory' or 'not satisfactory'.



# MAXIMISING STUDY SCORES

## 1. Attendance in class

- On time
- With all materials

## 2. Complete work

- On time
- Learn from feedback

## 3. Be prepared and plan ahead

- SAC Schedule
- Timetable yourself – work, study, sport, etc

# MAXIMISING STUDY SCORES

## 4. Take advantage of staff and peers

- Ask questions in class, participate.
- Seek help outside class.
- Work with others to study together.
- Use Study Periods – they are not spares or frees.

## 5. Divide your time at home between Homework and Study

- Homework – set work by the teacher.
- Study – self-directed, revision and preparation.

# MAXIMISING STUDY SCORES

## **6. Attend revision sessions**

- Your teachers will run many of these. Attend them.
- External revision lectures – offered by a range of private companies – costs vary. Conducted by VCAA Examination Assessors. Provide insight into how exams are marked, what assessors focus on, what students did wrong last year, etc.

## **7. Unit 3/4 Trial exams held in September/October Holidays**

- Compulsory – one of the last chances for your teacher to see how you are going, identify weaknesses and provide a study plan for you.

# BALANCE

- **School life**
- **Home life**
- **Work life**
- **Social life**
- **Future life**
- **Personal life**

# SUPPORT SERVICES

BELINDA  
O'MEARA  
WELLBEING  
COORDINATOR



# CAREERS FOR VCE STUDENTS AT GISBORNE SECONDARY COLLEGE

KERRY HUKE  
CAREERS  
DEVELOPMENT  
COORDINATOR



# **OUTLINE OF SERVICES PROVIDED TO VCE STUDENTS.**

- **Year 11's Caulfield Careers Expo  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**
- **Year 12's TIS (tertiary information  
session) Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May**
- **One on One appointment times**
- **Term 2 university visits**
- **Career Planning Workshops**
- **VTAC information night (August)**

# HANDY HINTS FOR VCE STUDENTS:

- Familiarize yourself with VCE requirements early.
- Develop your study skills and time management skills.
- If you have an issue, deal with it straight away, don't leave it.
- Take advantage of the Work Experience program to explore jobs of interest.
- Begin pathway Planning early. Leave as much time for study as you can. See Ms Huke for assistance to begin this process.
- Attend speaker program, Career Expo's organised through Careers.
- Attend Open days.
- Register with the Careers Website, read the Careers News every week on line.
- **MUST DO.** Attend the VTAC info.night in August
- Develop and nurture your support systems.
- Develop a balanced routine and stick to it.
- Reward yourself.





# **OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED TO VCE STUDENTS.**

- **Access to a wide range of publications, course brochures and Handbooks in the Careers Office/Study Centre.**
- **Assistance to all Year 12 students in both the VTAC selection process and options once their enter score is known.**
- **Ongoing support for all students once they have left school until they establish themselves in either further study or employment.**

**TOOLS FOR THE JOB?**

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You can use this site to locate University, TAFE and any other type of course across Australia, get information about the VCE, search for job vacancies and much more. Feel free to drop into the Careers Office if you have any questions.



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## Exploring other course options

Think about **supplementary offers**, **changing preferences** or **exploring pathways**.

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## Offers 2016

To access offers, login to your user account with your VTAC ID and PIN.

View a list of courses that are unlikely to make any offers in future offer rounds.



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View your offers and ATAR.

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