

2021 Co-curricular Handbook



Choosing a Co-curricular Activity

1. Rationale

Hume Anglican Grammar offers a Co-curricular program to provide students with opportunities to further their learning and social skills.

Co-curricular activities may therefore be:

- curriculum-related (an extension of a particular learning area)
- have a focus upon service
- the environment and how we utilise our resources or
- the development of social or life skills

2. Purpose

The principal purpose of the various activities offered to students is to enrich learning opportunities beyond the classroom. Co-curricular activities complement our curriculum learning areas and also the School's Vision – 'we want to inspire in our students a love of learning, and through a rigorous and rounded educational experience, to provide them with the means to achieve a fulfilling life.'

Hume Anglican Grammar expects that students will attend each scheduled session for the Cocurricular activity that they have committed to and that the usual expectations regarding behaviour and demeanour are followed. Our school is committed to promoting the safety and wellbeing of all children. Therefore, all staff, volunteers and contractors involved in offering an activity are required to observe child safe principles and expectations for appropriate behaviour towards and in the company of children. They must comply with the relevant school policies – for example Child Safety Policy, Child Safety Code of Conduct, Staff Professional Expectations Policy, Volunteer Policy.

3. Student involvement

Being involved in Co-curricular activities is a growing area at Hume Anglican Grammar and therefore all students (P– 12) are encouraged to consider how they could participate in some aspect of school life outside the classroom during the year. Some students and/or parents might think that their schoolwork may be their priority and therefore this would preclude them from being involved in co-curricular activities, however, research shows that students who have a full life outside the classroom tend to perform better academically. The aim is to get the balance between classroom commitments and co-curricular correct for the individual.

The School is aware that some students are already very busily engaged in activities outside of the School and so our recommendation is that students ensure that they only participate in Cocurricular activities that will fit in with their overall weekly commitments. However, if a student commits to a term activity such as Garden Club, a musical ensemble or a sporting team, they have a responsibility to their fellow students and the staff concerned to fulfil that commitment for the length of the activity. In order to assist students with their personal organisation, information about the timing and details of Co-curricular activities will be shared with students at the beginning of each semester. Updates will be published in School Bulletins, the eNewsletter and displayed in key locations around the School. These updates will include the venue for each activity and the initials of the Teacher-in-Charge (TiC).

Once a student has chosen their activity/activities, they must remember the following:

- a. Honour your commitment to the activity by attending on time and doing what is required.
- b. <u>Never give up</u> an activity without giving it a fair go.
- c. Any <u>commitment</u> to a <u>team</u> should be for the <u>full program</u>.
- d. <u>Speak</u> to the TiC if problems arise.
- e. Give the activity your best at all times; try to make it work.
- f. Have fun!

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Co-curricular Activities

Community Service	Clubs & Societies	Performing Arts
 Aged Care Project (Secondary) Garden Club (Primary)* Secondary School Garden Sustainability Duke of Edinburgh Award Community Crusaders Design & Repair Cafe 	 Italian Club History Club Aim High (Secondary) Lego Club (Primary) – MR Lego Club (Primary) – DB Drawing and Animation Club Folio Club Art and Craft Clubs (Primary) Secondary Robotics Club Chess Club Environment Group Languagenut Primary DB Debating Primary School Art and Craft Clubs Just Dance Club Primary MR Knitting Club LGBTQIA+ Support and Allies Group 	 Primary Performance Choir Primary Singing Club Primary Production Primary Just Dance Club Secondary Bands/Ensembles Secondary Dance Groups Years 7-9 Drama Club Drama Club Galway Arts Workshop Secondary Production 2021 Band Program Drama Theatre Sports Drama 12 Angry Jurors Year 7/8 Choir
Miscellaneous	Primary Sport	Secondary Sport
 Chill Out Zone (Primary) Galway Debating (Secondary) Duke of Edinburgh (Years 9-12) Italian Study Tour 2021 Galway STEM Maths Help Sessions Galway Leadership Workshop Open House – Visual Arts, Media and VCD School Quiz Running Club Year 12 English Group Sydney Arts Tour Student Environment Group Micro-aerial vehicle (MAV) Design Build Fly Yearbook Committee Creative Writing Group 	 Advanced swimmers' squad* Possible trainings associated with some of the Year 5/6 Friday morning representative sporting teams (TBA) Following the Upper Primary and Secondary Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country carnivals, selected students will be invited to participate in training in preparation for district, regional and potentially State competitions	 Girls' Basketball# Boys' Basketball# Girls' Volleyball# Boys' Volleyball Boys' Basketball (9-10) Girls' Soccer Boys' Soccer Girls' AFL Boys' AFL Girls' Cricket Boys' Cricket Girls' Netball (7-8) Girls' Netball# Swimming Squad St John's Exchange Sporting Events Following the Secondary Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country carnivals, selected students will be invited to participate in training in preparation for district, regional and potentially State competitions

NB: Year 5 and 6 students will all have the opportunity to participate in the Year 5/6 sport program on Friday morning during most of Terms 1 and 2. Some students will represent the school locally in interschool competition, while other students will play sports at school during this time.

Secondary students will have the opportunity to nominate for selection in a range of sporting teams, that will compete in the School Sports Victoria 'knockout' competition.