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Subject Selections for Year 8, 2026

Year 8

Maths
(3 lessons)

Science
(3 lessons)

Humanities
(2 lessons)

HPE
(2 lessons)

English
(3 lessons)

Language
(2 lessons)



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Humanities

- History and Geography across the year

Italian Immersion – Humanities deliver in Italian language. Full year subject.
You must also select Italian as your language for Year 8.

Languages

- All students study a language in Year 8.
- You select the language you would like to study in Year 8.



Technologies

- Students study all four technologies across Years 7 and 8.
- You don't need to select these – you will automatically move into a new technology subject each semester.



Choosing electives

Choose subjects that:

- You enjoy
- You do well in
- Will help you achieve your chosen career goals, or keep your career goals open
- Will develop skills, knowledge and attitudes useful throughout your life



Arts Electives

- 2 elective subjects each semester for 2 lessons per week per subject.

Subject
Dance (1 semester only 2 lessons)
Drama (1 semester only 2 lessons)
Music (1 semester only 2 lessons)
Visual Art (1 semester only 2 lessons)
Digital Art (1 semester only 2 lessons)
Dance Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)
Drama Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)
Visual Art Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)
Music Excellence Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)
Advanced Technologies (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)

- Extension subjects (shaded subjects below) will study this for the whole year.

Selecting Electives

- Rank all subjects 1-10 (number 1 is your highest preference)



YEAR 8 SUBJECT SELECTION FORM 2026

STUDENT NAME: Kate Coates CONNECT CLASS: 0082

PARENT/CARER NAME: Mary Coates

PARENT/CARER SIGNATURE: MCoates

2026 YEAR 8 SUBJECT SELECTION NOTES

- All students study Maths, English, Science, HPE, Technology, Languages and Humanities (History and Geography).
- Students study 2 elective subjects each semester for 2 lessons per week per subject.
- More information can be found in the 2026 Year 8 Subject handbook
<https://cairnsshs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/subjects-and-programs>

Language option

All students study a language in Year 8. Select the language you would like to study in Year 8:

<input checked="" type="radio"/> CHINESE	<input type="radio"/> ITALIAN	<input type="radio"/> JAPANESE
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Italian Immersion

Students can elect to study Humanities delivered in Italian instead of History and Geography/Civics. You must also select Italian as your language option above.

I am interested in studying Italian Immersion	
<input type="radio"/> YES	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NO

Centre of Excellence (COE) Program

These occur before school, after school and/or during lunch breaks and may be subject to auditions/trials (some may run during normal school time).

Tick if you are interested in auditioning for any of the COE programs:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> COE Art | <input type="checkbox"/> COE Drama |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COE Dance | <input type="checkbox"/> COE Basketball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COE Soccer (Football) | <input type="checkbox"/> COE Engineering and Aerospace |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COE Young Singers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COE Instrumental Music |

If COE Instrumental Music, please circle area/s: Strings / Brass / Woodwind / Percussion

2026 YEAR 8 SUBJECT SELECTION

- Students must preference every subject (rank subjects 1-10)
- Students who select an extension subject (shaded subjects below) will study this for the whole year.
- Spaces in subjects may be limited, the aim will be to give as many students as possible their first choice.

Subject	Rank all subjects 1 – 10 (Number 1 is highest preference)
Dance (1 semester only 2 lessons)	9
Drama (1 semester only 2 lessons)	8
Music (1 semester only 2 lessons)	1
Visual Art (1 semester only 2 lessons)	7
Digital Art (1 semester only 2 lessons)	2
Dance Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)	4
Drama Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)	3
Visual Art Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)	5
Music Excellence Extension (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)	6
Advanced Technologies (Whole year - 2 semesters, 2 lessons)	10

Advanced Technologies

Students who choose this subject as one of their top preferences can elect this instead of a Arts elective (eg Dance, Drama) or instead of a Technology subject (eg Digital Tec, Home Ec).

Only tick one and only tick if you have nominated Advanced Technologies in your top 4 subjects.	Tick box if interested
I wish to study Advanced Technologies instead of an Arts subject	<input type="checkbox"/>
I wish to study Advanced Technologies instead of a Technology subject	<input type="checkbox"/>



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Year 8 Subject Selection Form for 2026

This subject selection form is for Year 7 students going into Year 8 in 2026

General information:

- All students study Maths, English, Science, HPE, Technology, Languages and Humanities (History, Geography). They are not required to select these subjects as it is done automatically.
- Please see Cairns High website for more information <https://cairnsshs.eq.edu.au/curriculum/subjects-and-programs>.
- For Year 8, students are selecting their Arts elective/s for 2025 on this document.
- Students are also selecting if they would like to study Humanities or Italian Immersion (Humanities in Italian language).
- Students are also indicating their interest in Excellence Programs.

Subject selection online form must be submitted by parent/carer by Wednesday 27 August 2025.

Parent/Carer First Name *

Parent/Carer Last Name *

Parent/Carer Email *

Child's First Name *

Child's Last Name *

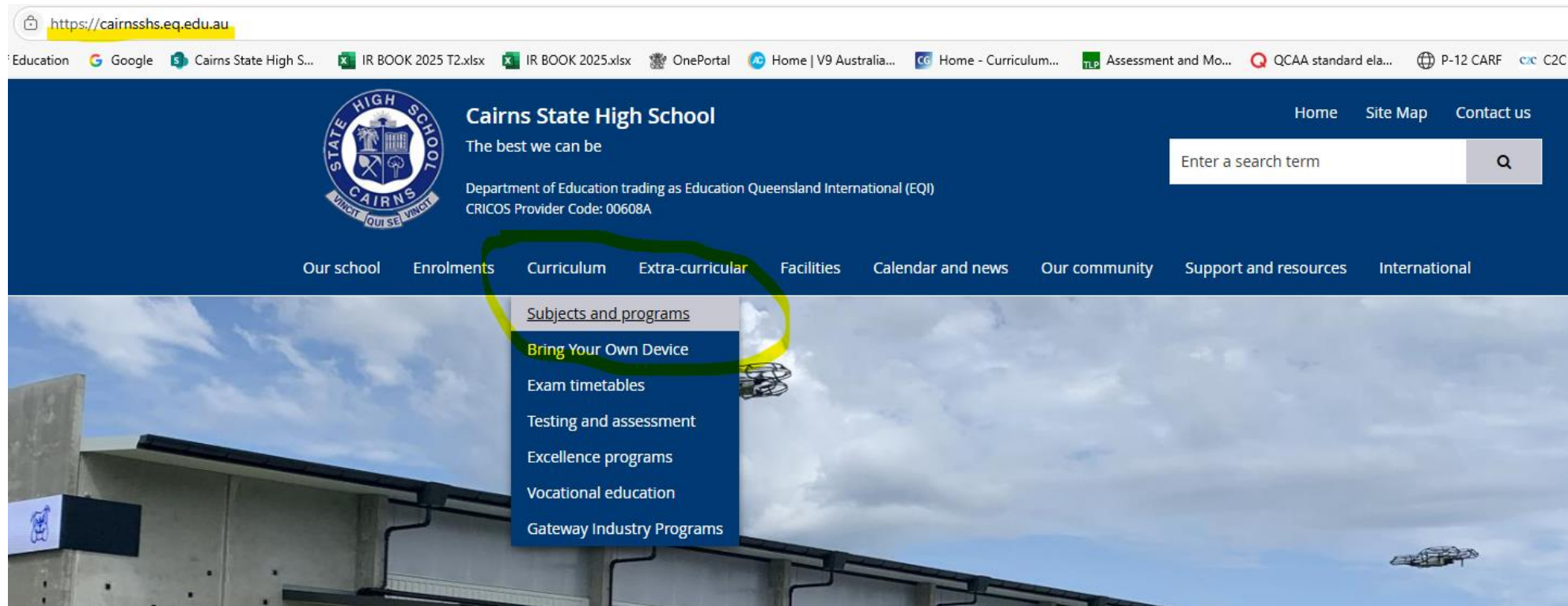
Is your child continuing at Cairns State High School in 2026 *

Please Select

If you indicated your child is leaving Cairns SHS or possibly leaving, please provide some details. Then we can follow up to assist with transition to a new school.

ITALIAN IMMERSION HISTORY/GEOGRAPHY


More information?



The screenshot shows the website for Cairns State High School. The browser's address bar displays <https://cairnsshs.eq.edu.au>. The top navigation bar includes links to Education, Google, Cairns State High S..., IR BOOK 2025 T2.xlsx, IR BOOK 2025.xlsx, OnePortal, Home | V9 Australia..., Home - Curriculum..., Assessment and Mo..., QCAA standard ela..., P-12 CARF, and C2C. The main header features the school's crest, the name 'Cairns State High School', the motto 'The best we can be', and the text 'Department of Education trading as Education Queensland International (EQI)' and 'CRICOS Provider Code: 00608A'. A search bar is located on the right. The main menu includes 'Our school', 'Enrolments', 'Curriculum', 'Extra-curricular', 'Facilities', 'Calendar and news', 'Our community', 'Support and resources', and 'International'. The 'Extra-curricular' menu is highlighted with a green circle, and its dropdown list is visible, containing 'Subjects and programs', 'Bring Your Own Device', 'Exam timetables', 'Testing and assessment', 'Excellence programs', 'Vocational education', and 'Gateway Industry Programs'. The background of the website shows a building and a cloudy sky.

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Unlocking potential

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Paper version of subject selection due to main office
Wednesday 27 August (Wednesday Week 7)

Electronic version of subject selection due (Schoolzine email
to parents) Wednesday 27 August (Wednesday Week 7)

