MOAMA ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL

CURRICULUM
As a NSW school, Moama Anglican Grammar School uses the curriculum determined by the NSW Board of Studies & Teacher Educational Standards (BOSTES). BOSTES sets the learning requirements for each stage of school.

The four stages of primary schooling are: Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten), Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2), Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) and Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6). From ES1 to 3, BOSTES require all students undertake studies in:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science and Technology
- Human Society and Its Environment (HSIE)
- Creative Arts
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE).

At Moama Anglican Grammar School, these mandatory requirements take up about 80% of a typical 9 am to 3 pm five-day school week. The remaining 20% of the school week is used for the study of a language (Italian), additional school sport, pastoral care, concert rehearsals, religious education and special projects.

English and Mathematics make up around 50% of class time. This is equivalent to about 12 hours each week. The other subjects are spread across the remaining time.

Our Primary school’s small class sizes ensure that a personalized, differentiated curriculum can be offered to each and every child. Specialised learning support is available to students who need a little extra help as well as an extension program for more able students.

Students in K-6 are fortunate to benefit from specialist teachers in Italian, Music, PE and Visual Art subjects. Classroom teachers provide engaging Pastoral Care programs that all play a unique role in the development of students’ knowledge, understanding, values and attitudes and practical skills that lead to active and fulfilling lives.
YEARS 7—10 CURRICULUM
(STAGES 4 and 5)

In Stages 4 and 5 at Moama Anglican Grammar School (Years 7 to 10), curriculum offerings both broaden and deepen.

All students at Stage 4 follow the same broad pattern of study. Students at Stage 5 are able to choose elective subjects for the first time to begin to follow their own particular interests.

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<th>Key Learning Area</th>
<th>Mandatory Core Courses</th>
<th>Elective Courses Offered at Moama Anglican Grammar School in Years 9 &amp; 10</th>
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<td>English</td>
<td>All students study English, Mathematics and Science in Years 7 to 10.</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>All students complete Visual Arts and Music in Years 7 &amp; 8.</td>
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<td>Science</td>
<td>In Years 7 to 10, all students study History and Geography.</td>
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<td>Creative Arts</td>
<td>All students study a language (Italian) in Years 7 &amp; 8.</td>
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<td>Human Society and Its Environment (HSIE)</td>
<td>All students study PDHPE in Years 7 to 10.</td>
<td>Dance, Drama, Music, Photographic and Digital Media, Visual Arts, Music, Commerce</td>
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<td>Languages</td>
<td>All students study a range of different Technologies (eg Food Technology, Metal Technology) in Years 7 &amp; 8.</td>
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<td>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</td>
<td>Physical Activity and Sports Studies (PASS)</td>
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<td>Technological and Applied Studies (TAS)</td>
<td>Agricultural Technology, Design and Technology, Food Technology, Information and Software Technology, Robotics, Forensic Science</td>
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A common core of subjects at these stages enables the school to offer a broad, generalist curriculum to our students. This enables students to explore their personal interests and offers a solid grounding for more specialised studies in the final two years of school.
Moama Anglican Grammar School offers a wide range of subjects at Stage 6. English and Mathematics (in Year 11) are the only mandatory courses at this stage. Students are able to select from a range of elective subject offerings that suit their own interests and career aspirations.

Subjects offered to date at Moama Anglican Grammar School have included:

- Advanced English, English Extension 1, English Studies, Standard English
- Business Studies, Economics, Legal Studies, Modern History
- General Mathematics 1, General Mathematics 2, Mathematics (2-Unit), Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2,
- French, Italian Extension
- Dance, Music 1, Visual Arts, Textiles & Design
- Community & Families Studies, PDHPE
- Agriculture, Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- Design & Technology (Graphics), Food Technology, Industrial Technology (Multimedia), Information Processing Technology
- VET - Tourism, Equine Studies

Each year these options are determined by student interest and demand, and may therefore vary from time to time. Some courses may be facilitated by distance education.

After the successful completion of Year 12, students are awarded the NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC).

Subject marks obtained by students in their HSC studies contribute to the calculation of an Australian Tertiary Assessment Rank (ATAR). The ATAR is a tool used by most tertiary institutions across Australia to assess student suitability for tertiary study.