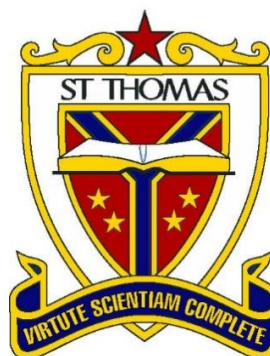


The Hydra Option



The mission of the Hydra Programme is to provide all students (Years 7 to 11) with an opportunity to engage in meaningful project work. This work is to be conducted in student's own time with a staff member available to provide regular guidance and support.

Once selected, students will be provided with a generalised school based criteria of project requirements, decide on an achievable project and time frame, present the project to the Principal and her nominees for agreement. There is also the requirement of on-going reporting by the project team.

Projects will need to be profit driven but also have regard to the special character of the College. The length and scope of each project will be jointly agreed between students and management of the College.

Students will need to agree to:

- Regular attendance at lunch time based meetings (3x per week) and provide a commitment to working outside of standard school hours;
- Make full contribution to discussions and fulfilling agreed task;
- Participate in regular individual and group reflections;
- Agree all profits from the project be provided to an agreed community based purpose.

The benefits of this unique opportunity will include being part of age diverse project team, building on 21st Century teaching and learning as practiced at the College. Giving students the chance to acquire new skills, understanding and to gain experience which can be evidenced for student's future life journey. There is also the characteristic of engagement with the local community, in an outward looking approach, in a safe manner while making both a societal difference and profit.

There may be some limitations of student numbers due to the initial resources available to Hydra.

I agree to participation in the Hydra Programme on the above express terms:

Student Name: _____

Signature: _____

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____