Mitchelton SHS Excellence Program

Imagine: Business, Technology and Innovation

Description of Program

Imagine is the subject that is designed to build a skill set in our students that gives them the tools to navigate their world more effectively. As well as challenging how they think, Imagine aims to develop skills for now and in a world with changing employment opportunities and knowledge. The Imagine program challenges students through the use of design thinking to become confident in their ability to inquire, investigate, communicate and evaluate. Through community links and the practical application of skills, students gain leadership skills alongside strategies to make them effective learning partners. Through multiple opportunities students build their entrepreneurial skills as well as learn about the practical requirements of entering into the world of Business.

Course Aims

- Develop skills in technology and business
- Improve problem solving skills
- Build foundation for studies in Business, Humanities
- Raise awareness of personal skill sets
- Develop ideas and plan through to completion
- Extend evaluative, analytical and production skills
- Build student competency in technology through real world applications

Benefits of Program

- Build student confidence through skills development that can be applied in other subjects and beyond the classroom
- Gain the skills to use laptops more effectively
- Encourage independent thought and reflection
- Problem solving for skills growth
- Real world application of skills through competitions and community links

Future Pathways

The Imagine Program provides students with opportunities to participate in activities that expose them to the skills needed to develop and run a small business. Students are exposed to a number of competitions that develop their inquiry and presentation skills that would be beneficial to those students choosing a tertiary pathway. Through the Imagine Project, students are encouraged to learn about anything that they are interested in, with the goal that they develop a love for learning and developing their passions, which may unlock a future career path that may not exist within traditional schooling. Students also learn valuable teamwork skills through problem solving challenges, which will build their communication and leadership skills for the workforce.