



## What is the da Vinci Decathlon?

The da Vinci Decathlon\* is an inter-school academic gala day designed to challenge and stimulate the minds of students. This is a wonderful enrichment activity that will require students to work collaboratively with team mates, as they problem solve and engage in a variety of disciplines, including:

1. Science – students will be provided with higher level scientific concepts and be challenged to apply them
2. Creative Producers – a sub-group from the team will have ten minutes to develop and present a 30-second commercial to promote a particular product
3. English – spelling, word origins, definitions, scrabble, and writing
4. Philosophy – dealing with logic, observations and evidence
5. Mathematics – emphasis on problem solving, number patterns and logic puzzles
6. Engineering Challenge – a building task designed to test creativity and ingenuity
7. Art and Poetry – the team will develop a poem plus a complementary work of art on a given theme
8. Cartography – reading and designing maps
9. Code Breaking – in the spirit of World War II, students will aim to decipher several codes
10. General Knowledge – current affairs, issues, history, science, entertainment, sport and world facts

St Columba Anglican School is proud to be hosting the inaugural Mid North Coast Regional da Vinci Decathlon over three days of competition:

**Years 7 and 8**

**Tuesday 7 May 2019**

**Years 9, 10 and 11**

**Wednesday 8 May 2019**

**Years 5 and 6**

**Thursday 9 May 2019**

**Time** 8.30am until 3.15pm

**Entry Fee** \$200

**Prizes** Trophies and certificates will be awarded to the top teams on each day. All participants will receive a Participation Certificate.

**Entry** Please visit [www.bit.ly/mncdavinci](http://www.bit.ly/mncdavinci) to register your team(s).

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