

MASON BROWN

PLUMBING

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Senior School Subjects

- Year 10: English, Mathematics: Pre General, P.E. for Boys, Youth Ministry, Materials, VET Building Trades Units 1 + 2 Early Advancement
- Year 11: English, General Mathematics, Physical Education, Product Design & Technology – Materials, VET Building Trades Units 3 + 4 Early Advancement, Youth Ministry.
- Year 12: English, Further Mathematics, Product Design & Technology – Materials, Physical Education, Business Management

Why did you choose these subjects? I chose to do them because I thought I would enjoy them and they could be helpful to me further down the track. They gave me an understanding of where I might want to go or what I might want to do once I left school.

What resources did you use to choose subjects? I spoke to my parents and teachers and they helped to guide me in the right direction. But in the end I chose the subjects that I thought I would enjoy the most.

What do you enjoy about your apprenticeship? I enjoy working outdoors and learning all the different skills needed when it comes to plumbing.

How did your senior school subjects prepare you for your apprenticeship?

- **Product Design & Technology – Materials** helped me not so much with the physical part of my apprenticeship but more so just a general knowledge of mathematics and paperwork associated with all different trades.
- **VET Building Trades** helped me in a similar way to Product Design & Technology but it more so gave me insight into what the theory side of an apprenticeship would consist of, meaning what it would be like to go to TAFE and learn about your trade.
- **Further Mathematics** – has saved me a few times throughout my apprenticeship. It helped fine-tune my mathematics skills and gives you the upper hand on some apprentices who either left school early or chose not to do it.

What advice can you give students considering a plumbing apprenticeship? For anybody looking to try and get an apprenticeship in this industry I would recommend if you can cope with staying at school for the extra year or two you have left at school to complete Year 12. Employers notice the skills and maturity you gain throughout Year 12 and also your Year 12 qualification is a great asset on your resume. Also, it's the best year of your schooling life.

Occupation Information: Plumbing, <http://bit.ly/29LEbOI>