



# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

**CO-CURRICULAR  
OPPORTUNITIES  
JUNIOR SECONDARY**



*Oz Tag, 2024*



*From the early mornings to the stage at SHINE, 2023*

## **At Kawana Waters State College we know that every student is capable of making their mark on the world.**

The College focuses on developing the skills of resilience, self-responsibility and empathy needed to make a positive contribution to a global society. We do this by providing opportunities for students beyond the classroom. We know that it is often on the football field, on the stage or in the ocean that our young people find their passion and sense of purpose.

We strongly encourage all students to be involved in the school's co-curricular activities and to use these opportunities to set goals, grow their confidence and learn lifelong skills of teamwork and tenacity.

We offer an exceptional performing arts program, a wide range of sporting activities, as well as specialised programs like debating, public speaking and chess tournaments. Outside of the school gates, students can participate in camps, study tours and excursions that help them connect to the natural world and to diverse cultures.

Our students are preparing to make their mark.

*Mr Brett Burgess*  
*Executive College Principal*



# JUNIOR SECONDARY SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

## SPORT AND CO-CURRICULAR

### Sport

#### Representative Sport

As a Coastal District-affiliated school, KWSC students can participate in the QRSS representative sport pathway. This pathway begins with trialling at either the Coastal District or Regional level with progression to QLD representation.

#### Interschool Sport

Held across the year in gala days. Students in Years 7-9 can nominate to participate in both Summer and Winter Sports.

#### Netball Performance Program

The program provides players with the opportunity to further develop their netball skills and fitness, working through elements of skill acquisition, strength and game training.

#### Paddle Performance Program

In partnership with CANU32, this program provides students with the opportunity to further develop their paddling skills with the distinct pathway to elite sport.

#### OZTAG

The QLD All Schools Ozttag Tournament, held on the Sunshine Coast, is QLD Ozttag's premier school based event. Over 280 teams from 80 schools compete in a three day event.

#### Water Polo (Terms 3 & 4)

Water polo at KWSC is a 7-12 sport that plays in the Sunshine Coast Schools Competition. KWSC has a proud tradition of success with championships across all age and gender categories.

#### Volleyball

Volleyball is a lunchtime co-curricular where students develop skills and teamwork, with teams competing at the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup.

### Arts

#### Drama Boot Camp

Through a series of workshops, exercises, and rehearsals, DRX students can hone their talents, build relationships with peers who share similar interests, and gain valuable experience in performance arts.

#### SHINE

Students Highlighting Integrity and Excellence in the Arts (SHINE), is a showcase of our best and brightest in the Arts. A spectacular event not to be missed.

#### Dance X Competition

Students work collaboratively in a supportive environment to compete with and against students from other schools. The competition promotes creativity, teamwork and personal growth enriching school experience for young dancers.

#### Instrumental Music

Students can sign up to participate in a year long program of instrumental music. This opportunity provides students with the performance skills in preparation for public performances and regional eisteddfods.

#### Dance Company

This is an audition only group for all students within the college. This opportunity provides students a space to work collaboratively in a creative space to improve skills and be part of original routines and choreography.

#### Vocal Group

Students can sign up to participate in vocal group during January, which runs weekly throughout the year. Students develop the confidence of voice and work creatively to rehearse performances for the public and school functions.

### Co-Curricular

#### Podcasting Masterclasses

Students take part in a series of masterclasses, increasing in complexity and covering diverse genres. The masterclasses build students' skills in critical thinking, research and interviewing.

#### Languages Speech Contest

The Sunshine Coast Speech Contest organised by the Modern Language Teachers' Association of Queensland, offers students an opportunity to showcase their language proficiency.

#### Write a Book in a Day

This day offers students a twofold opportunity to test themselves under writing pressure, and also fundraise to bring smiles to the faces of young people undergoing cancer treatment.

#### Japanese Immersion Day

This incursion complements students Japanese studies and celebrates Children's day in Japan. This day allows students to communicate in Japanese with people from the Japanese community and promotes greater understanding of cultural diversity and linguistic structures.

#### Sunshine Coast Chess (Teams)

This competition invites teams of students from schools on the Sunshine Coast to compete in an intellectually stimulating competition.

#### Debating

Debating offers students an excellent opportunity to develop skills of communication. It elevates critical thinking skills and promotes knowledge across several disciplines outside regular subject. Students compete in the Sunshine Coast Schools Debating.

#### Beyond the Book

This virtual and in-person literature festival allows students to meet authors and illustrators and to explore literature in a fun, engaging way.

#### Sunshine Coast Chess (Individual)

This competition invites teams of students from schools on the Sunshine Coast to compete in an intellectually stimulating competition.

#### Australian Mathematics Competition

This test is administered during class time for students who are highly skilled at Mathematics, and students are either offered or nominate to compete in the competition.

#### Library and Literacy Week

Kawana Library and Literacy Week offers students unique opportunities to weave words into magic. The week will feature visits from Josh Donellon, Nic Earles and nationally acclaimed 'Poetry in Action'.

#### QAMT

Year 7 and 8 Students Only are invited to compete in the Queensland Association of Maths Teachers Competition.

### Tutoring

#### Think Tank

Tuesday Afternoons - 3:00 - 4:00pm CO block. All Junior Secondary students are welcome to revise any curriculum work.

#### Maths Tutoring

Thursday Afternoons - 3.00-4.00pm in V Block - All students welcome.

#### Japanese Tutoring

Thursday Afternoons - 2.50-3.50pm in BU3 - All Japanese students welcome.

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Camps and outdoor education help develop students' confidence and resilience to deal with unfamiliar territory. The lessons learned whilst in nature, disconnected from devices and the comforts of home, can often remain with students well beyond highschool.

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Ms Amy Ferrington  
Deputy Principal



# TRIPS AND CAMPS

## Year 7 Cohort Camp

At Year 7 Camp in Cambrook, students who display the REDE values will be invited to experience cabin and tent camping as well as a range of challenging physical activities in nature. Through these challenges, students build courage, compassion and a sense of responsibility.

**When: Annually, Term 2**

**Who: All Year 7 students**

## Year 8 Rite of Passage Sleep Over

At Kawana Waters State College (KWSC), our Year 8 Rite of Passage Program is an annual initiative that supports students as they transition into adolescence, encouraging reflection, personal growth, and responsibility. Drawing on the tradition of rites of passage, significant milestones that mark important life transitions, the program provides students with a shared experience that builds identity, confidence, and a sense of belonging within our school community, in partnership with families and staff

**When: Annually, Term 3**

**Who: All Year 8 students**

## Year 9 Cohort Camp

At Year 9 Camp in Emu Gully, students who display the REDE values will be invited to experience a leadership and team building program based on the character values of courage, mate ship, sacrifice and perseverance.

**When: Annually, Term 3**

**Who: All Year 9 students**

## Australian Dance Festival

ADF is an incredible feast of all things dance where students have the opportunity to learn routines from national and international choreographers. They will be rubbing shoulders with the best on the dance floor with over 1000 other dance students in attendance.

**When: Biennial, Term 4**

**Who: Year 7- 9 Dance POE students**

## Aquatics Excellence Camp

This aquatics camp develops high performance surfing skills, competition strategy and builds a team atmosphere amongst the junior secondary students in the Aquatics Excellence program.

**When: Term 3, Annually.**

**Who: Aquatics Excellence.**

## Football Excellence Europe Trip

Experience the thrill of football like never before with our exclusive two-week tour through the UK and Spain, where you'll witness top-tier matches, explore iconic stadiums and immerse yourself in the heart of European football culture.

**When: November/ December, Biennial.**

**Who: Year 9 and 10 FEX students**



*Year 9 Sunshine Coast Futsal Championship Winners*

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Participation in sport at the secondary level is not just about scoring goals or winning matches; it's about shaping character, fostering teamwork, and nurturing resilience. Through sport, students learn invaluable life lessons that extend far beyond the playing field, preparing them for the challenges and triumphs of the future.

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Mr Chris Allum  
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