

KINROSS COLLEGE
PROSPECTUS



OUR VISION

To develop inspired, ambitious and passionate adolescents to work with integrity towards excellence.

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OUR DISTINCTIVE AND INSPIRING SCHOOL

Kinross College is a school like no other. Established originally as a purpose-built middle school in 2002, it now caters for students in Years 7 to 10, making it the only specialist middle school within the metropolitan area.

Proudly an Independent Public School – our College benefits from the support of our local community who are excited about our future and are keen to see our school strive for even greater success.

We are committed to being an effectively functioning and moral community, grounded in sound values that are consistently applied and lived by staff and students in all aspects of the College's activities. With an aim to deliver far more than outstanding academic results and a focus beyond just the achievement of grades — we seek to develop the whole child as a unique and valuable individual. We see our role as an educational community to provide the platform for an adolescent to action their dreams.

As a College community we recognise that every child matters every day and we strive to involve the community at all levels in the education of their children. We understand that genuine and cohesive connections with our community are essential to establishing a positive and supportive learning environment and we embrace the renowned African proverb which asserts that "it takes a whole village to raise a child".

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Dale Beaton Principal



Kinross College (OKC) is located on Falkland Way (off Kinross Drive)

College performance

Visit the College website for the latest Annual Report which details student performance statistics.

https://kinrosscollege.wa.edu.au/about/reports/

ENGLISH

The English curricula provides opportunities for students to sharpen and enhance their reading, writing and critical thinking skills in order to attain their educational, career and personal goals.

Through its core courses, the student-centred program provides a gateway into other College curricula and meets the vast and ever changing needs of our World today. By providing a wide range of courses, infusing the curriculum with multiple cultural and political perspectives and incorporating co-curricular activities as part of the instruction, the English program responds to the needs and goals of Kinross College's diverse student population.

All students in Years 7 to 9 complete a rigorous reading program (CARS & STARS) and Year 7 & 8s complete the Soundwaves Spelling & Grammar program. These programs provide all students with a comprehensive foundation in order for them to participate successfully in the English curricula. Students are placed on their appropriate ability level to assist with remediation, consolidation and extension as required. All students and parents can access current English content from each teacher via SEQTA. This platform informs parents on class and homework requirements and enables easy access to your child's English teacher. All revision, assessments and homework tasks can be viewed via SEQTA.

Kinross College English Department offers a wide range of clubs and activities:

- Essay writing club
- Reading club
- Study skills club
- · Senior book club
- Debating club
- World Scholars Cup Team.

Kinross Extension English Program.

Students develop a range of imaginative, interpretive and analytical compositions, including some which explore the relationships between key modern classic texts and popular culture. These compositions may be realised in various forms and media. Students investigate topics, ideas, engage in independent learning activities and develop skills in sustained composition.

KEA students get the opportunity to enter the World Scholar's Cup, a really great experience. Through this competition students increase their understanding on different subjects and learn how to connect them to each other and to the world. Students participate in a round of debating with opponents from many of the private schools accross Perth. Although this is an academic competition, it does not feel like a competition but more of a celebration. Kinross College has had great success in this competition and had a student win a place and go all the way to Yale University for the final round in 2019.

Explicit Teaching.

Explicit teaching is the preferred instructional practice at Kinross College. It directs students' attention toward specific learning in a highly structured manner. At Kinross College we have adopted this approach to ensure all students have the opportunity to achieve.

Topics and contents are broken down into small parts and taught individually. It involves explanation, demonstration and practice. Students are provided with guidance and structured frameworks. Topics are taught in a logical order and directed by the teacher. This practice is strongly underpinned by higher order thinking skills.

Languages

Students can study French or Italian at Kinross College. The language program is designed to further develop basic aural and oral skills (listening, responding and speaking) in order to communicate effectively in the French and Italian languages. In this program, students are actively engaged in learning by tasks that are "hands-on" and meaningful with grammar and vocabulary explicitly taught. By choosing to study a language, your child will maximise their academic options for post-secondary study.

Harry Potter Room.

The English Department created a hugely popular Harry Potter themed reading room which really inspires students to read. This room is used at various times for reading, Book club and even for a Harry Potter sleep over.



MATHS

The Mathematics department provides a supportive and challenging intellectual environment where students are encouraged to develop independence, creativity and excellence in the classroom.

We aim to develop an appreciation and understanding of the role of Mathematics in the modern world and to reinforce problem solving and critical thinking skills to shape exceptional Mathematicians of the future.

We live in a technologically advanced society and just about everything involves maths of some sort. We pride ourselves in giving students an opportunity to make real world connections. A critical element to switching students on to Math is to show them how it is used in their lives. Many children do not understand that the tools they use every day (Facebook, Snap Chat, Twitter, and Instagram) come from Mathematics. We endeavour to help students make this connection through the consistent use of technology.

At Kinross College we use an online program called Mathletics, both in the classroom and at home. This program reinforces current Mathematical concepts. We also make use of other online applications such as Kahoot and Quizlet. Using these platforms helps to engage students in their learning.

We provide an Extension Mathematics program for students who need to be extended and offer an Enrichment Mathematicss elective for Year 9 and 10 students where we cultivate an appreciation of how Mathematics can translate into a career.



Some key features of these Mathematics programs include:

- Having Sum Fun Maths competitions
- ASX share market game
- Elevate Study program
- AMAT Competitions
- Maths Help Classes
- Start Smart Financial Literacy Program

Through maintaining memberships with MAWA (Mathematics Association of Western Australia and AMAT we are provided with numerous new and innovative teaching strategies, ideas and resources.

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

HASS is an eclectic and dynamic Learning Area aiming to support and encourage young people to shape and change the world they live in. We teach students to be active and caring citizens and above all challenge them to question.

Students discover that the global world is intimately connected to their daily lives by studying HASS subjects. The subjects taught within this Learning Area are:

- Civics & Citizenship
- Economics
- Geography
- History
- · Oceanography (elective)
- Ancient History (elective)
- Philosophy (elective)

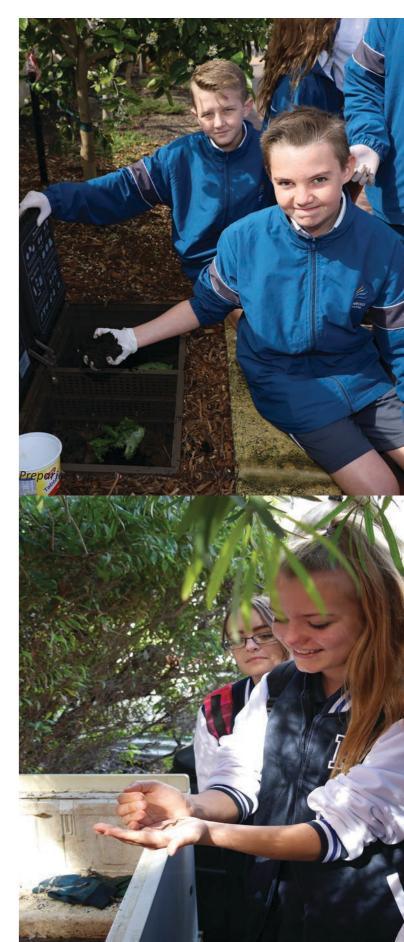
The heart of HASS focusses on the interconnections between human beings and the world in which we live. Students study the past, the present (contemporary issues) from personal to global contexts and consider challenges for the future such as sustainability.

Underpinning the content and concepts embedded within HASS, students develop skills of how to effectively research, focussing on using a range of quality sources and data.

In HASS we ask 'big' questions like:

- Who are we and who came before us?
- How do societies and economies operate and have they changed over time?
- How are people, places, ideas and events perceived and connected?
- How do people participate in society and make informed decisions?

'The calling of the humanities is to make us truly human in the best sense of the word'. I Irwin Miller



SCIENCE

Science is the explanation for everything around us, it explains our whole existence and satisfies our natural curiosity. It allows us to answer questions such as; How does this work and why has it happened?

These are questions that are naturally asked by the curious child and our aim in Science is to make all students become independent and curious learners by understanding that science can offer an explanation to everything around them. Science has three interrelated strands:

- Science understanding
- Science as a human endeavour and
- Science inquiry skills

The combination of these three strands provide our students with understanding, knowledge and the skills needed to view the world around them from a scientific point of view. Students are encouraged to explore science, its concepts, nature and uses through clearly described inquiry processes.

The Science Understanding strand comprises four substrands. The content is described by year level.

- Biological sciences
- Chemical sciences
- Earth and space sciences
- Physical science

Science Exploration & Robotics

At Kinross College we offer Science Exploration as an elective subject for students in Year 9 & 10 and Robotics in Year 10.

Science Exploration offers the opportunity to follow in the footsteps of a scientist or engineer to investigate wonderful theories or concepts. This subject gives students an insight into the life of a scientist which is helpful when considering a career pathway through science or engineering.

Robotics is an exciting elective subject offered to Year 10 students. Student use Lego NXT robots and learn the basics of coding and apply aspects of their Year 10 science



curriculum to engineer and program a robot. Targets are set to complete basic and complex tasks in a series of scenarios based on real life problems faced by the programmers and engineers of NASA's Mars Rover project.

STEM - Science, Technologies, Engineering and Mathematics

At Kinross College STEM activities form part of the integrated curriculum across subject areas in Years 7 to 10. Technologies fosters STEM through explicit learning using coding in Year 7 and 8 and various modern Stem problem solving activities. We have a hands on approach with problem solving using equipment such as Sphero's and mobile robots.

THE ARTS & TECHNOLOGIES

At Kinross College, students have a wide variety of opportunities that allow them to pursue and explore their creative, design skills and interests.

Kinross College is immersed into all aspects of the Arts and Technologies, running pathways through Years 7 to 10 in:

- · Design and Technologies,
- Digital Technologies,
- Performing Arts and
- Visual Arts.

Students have the opportunity to study many subjects within these Learning Areas including:

- Drama
- Food Sciences
- Dance
- TextilesWoodwork
- Music
- Metalwork
- Visual ArtsPhotography
- INIETAIWORK
 Technical Graphics.
- Beauty

We also produce a whole school musical and showcase student work through other events.

These are just a few of the subjects on offer. We cater for all types of students from passionate performers to thoughtful creators.





PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education at Kinross College delivers a diverse program that provides students with opportunities to participate and excel in many activities, either through competitive sport-based options or through fun-based activities.

Courses are designed to incorporate moving your body, understanding movement and learning through movement.

We use activities that are inclusive, help students develop skills, strategies and tactics through Years 7 - 10 in an enjoyable caring environment.

Some of the options open to students include:

- Outdoor Education
- Phys Recreation Aquatic (which includes Bronze Medallion, Surfing and Bodyboarding)
- Invasion sports
- Net and wall sports
- Striking sports
- Target sports
- Phys Ed Studies
- Soccer
- Netball

Other activities that are run across the year include:

- Interschool lightning carnivals
- Whole school Beach Carnival
- Whole School Athletics Carnival

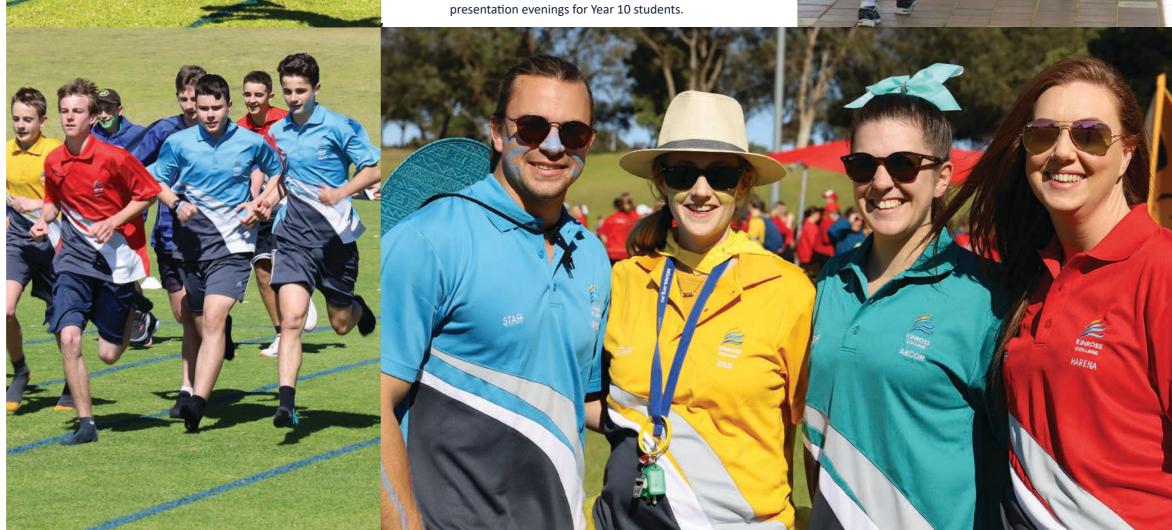
STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Student support at Kinross
College is provided by Student
Services which consists of
an extensive team of staff
who provide pastoral care
and manage any special
requirements or programs
of support for individual
students.

The team consists of two Student Services Managers, four Year Coordinators, a Learning Support Coordinator, a School Psychologist, Education Assistants, a Community Health Nurse, a Chaplain and an administrative support team all housed in a new, purpose-built facility.

This team manages behaviour, pastoral care, attendance, uniform, reward, recognition and special events. A few of these special events include: Transition/orientation day for Yr 6 students, House Challenge day, Colours and Honours award ceremonies, the Year 10 dinner dance and presentation evenings for Year 10 students.





PROGRAMS

KEA - Kinross Extension and Acceleration program



The KEA Program caters to the needs of talented and gifted students. Earning a position in the program is the key to your child excelling and engaging throughout Years 7 – 10. If your child earns a position in the program they will be grouped with like-minded students and taught a specialised program that will prepare them for Years 11, 12 and University. As part of the KEA class, in selected year groups, students have opportunities to participate in excursions such as Scitech Innovation Festival, ECU Science Cafe, Explore ECU and compete in the World Scholar's Cup as mentioned on page 6 of this brochure.

MUSIC PROGRAM



Kinross College runs a contemporary music program which comprises of the following opertunities:

- General Music (elective subject)
- Music Enrichment (audition based)
- Instrumental lessons
- Vocal group
- Contemporary ensemble

ACADEMIES

SOCCER ACADEMY



At Kinross College we recognise the very strong skills and commitment to soccer in our region and have developed a selective Soccer Academy through the lead of Peter Scrivens, Head of Physical Education, and partnered with professional coaches.

For further details please make contact with Mr Peter Scrivens via email: peter.scrivens@education.wa.edu.au

BASKETBALL ACADEMY



Kinross College offers a Basketball
Academy to give both male and female students the opportunity to develop advanced core basketball skills and to pursue personal excellence in their chosen sport. These students receive professional and elite coaching under the direction of Adam Gunnis, State coach and specialist Basketball Physical Education teacher and in partnership with external professional organisations and networks.

For further details please make contact with Mr Adam Gunnis via email: adam.gunnis@education.wa.edu.au







ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The student council offers leadership experience and opportunities for students in Years 8-10, who are willing to take on extra responsibilities with a desire to experience the role of a leader within the College. Students are asked to self nominate and apply for these positions in Term 4, for duty in the following year. Students follow a selection process that requires them to demonstrate their commitment and aptitude for a position in the Student Council. The council forms one TAG group encompassing all leadership students across the three year groups. The timetabled TAG lessons are used to learn and practice leadership, group work skills and to plan, organise and manage events for the student body and college. Other in-school leadership opportunities exist through Sports Captainship and Police Ranger cadets program.



POLICE RANGER CADETS

The Police Ranger program offered at Kinross College, in conjunction with Cadets WA, offers students in Years 8-12 amazing opportunities to develop an array of self-management, interpersonal and outdoor skills, along with knowledge of the WA Police Force. The program has a strong focus on leadership development and allows students to forge friendships and build confidence and resiliency, while maintaining respect and discipline within a ranking system. Our partnerships with Cadets WA and the Department of Communities allows us to offer this program at a heavily subsidised cost.





ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES CONT'D

SCHOOL PRODUCTION

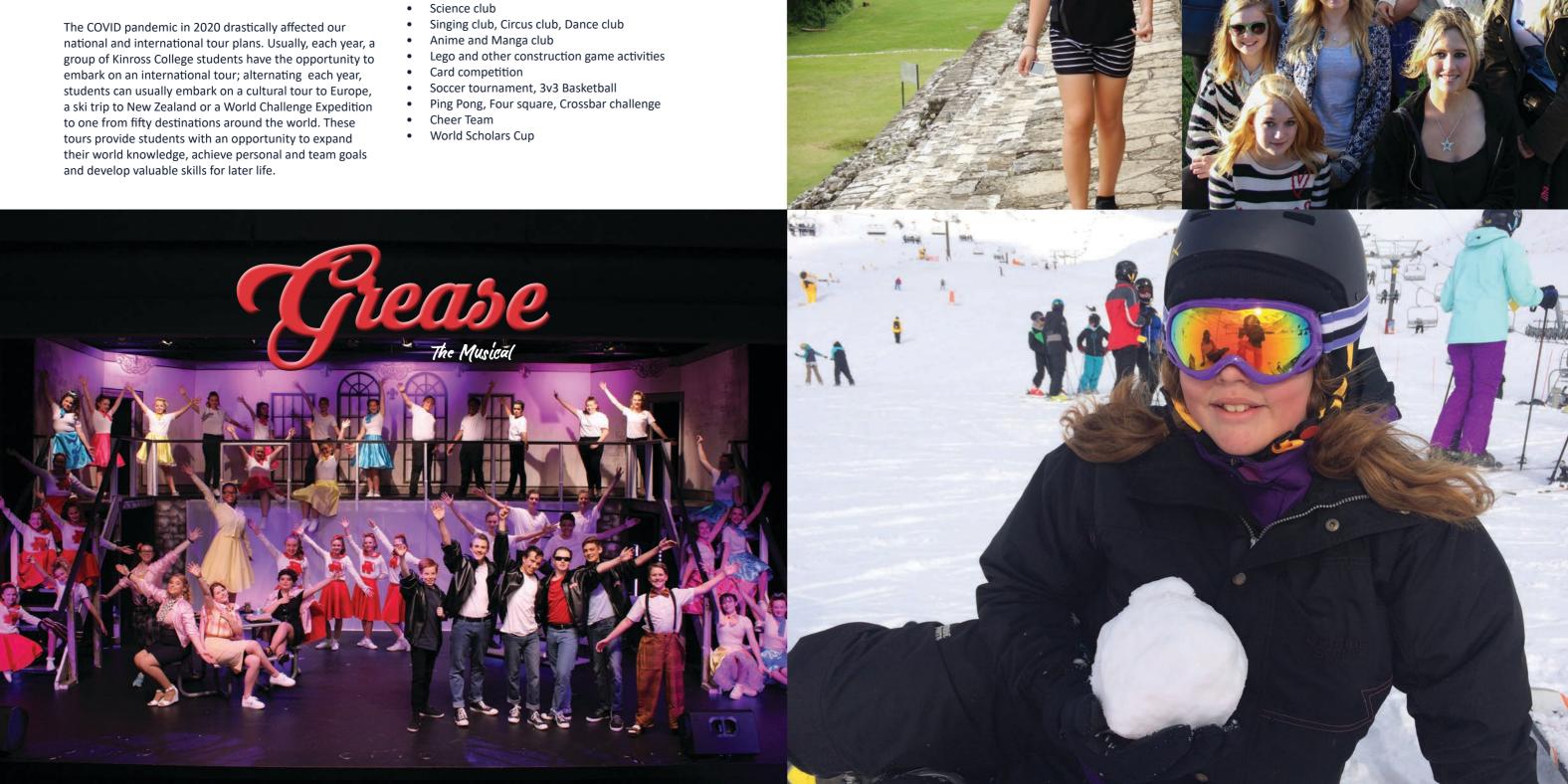
Every second year a major school production occurs involving all year groups where GREASE was the word for 2019!

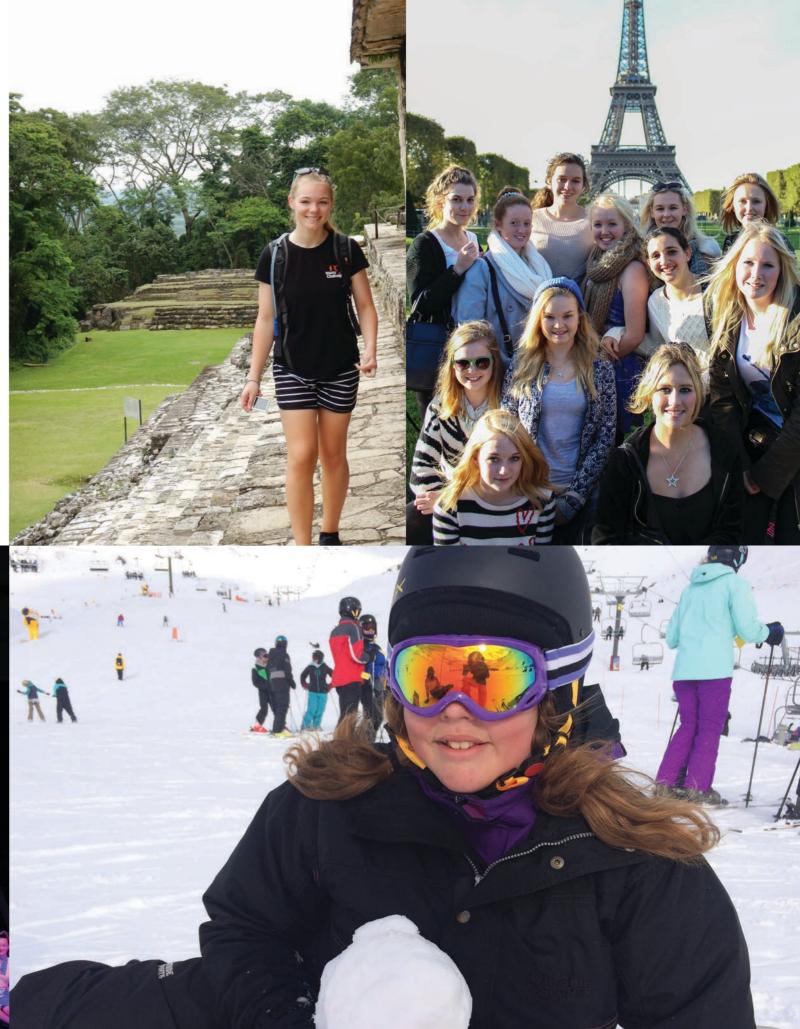
TOURS

CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Students have the opportunity to take part in a vast array of activities, some before or after the school day and others during recess and lunch-times. At the moment these include:

- Maths help, Chess Club, Gaming Club
- English tutoring, Book club







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