

KSS Year 8 Course Outlines for SEM 1 2024

Below are the course options for Semester 1, 2024. Year 8 will need to follow the instructions to determine what they need to select. Please do not choose the same preference for all 3 options. If a student does this it is unlikely they will receive a class they are hoping to be in.

The form for year 8 preferences will be emailed to their student emails in Week 5.

Electives

Design and Technology - Fast and Curious

What makes something fast? What makes a car go anywhere in the first place? Take the workshop skills you have to the next level whilst finding out. Use new tools and bigger machines to do cooler stuff. Get ready for the job site by exploring Workplace Health and Safety principles. Get the pen and the pad ready to design and manage your own project. Investigate the engineering behind modern vehicles, Then it's Ready, Set, Go on the design and construction of a CO2 powered race care. Have you got what it takes to be the fastest down the building 4 corridor?

Visual Arts

In this course students will have the opportunity to produce their own original artworks and explore a variety of techniques and topics relating to the Visual Arts, which can lead to independent artistic expression, whilst working in a creative art studio environment.

Students will experiment and develop their own creative skill and technique in the areas of drawing, painting, mixed media, and a mini 3D project. They will also be investigating contemporary and historic art research projects, art theory and appreciation.

Music

This unit is designed to deepen students' understanding and appreciation of music, focusing on practical music-making in groups. Students will have the opportunity to practise and perform music in a variety of styles, both in a band setting and individually. They will explore creating new music through improvisation and composition. They will analyse and interpret the use of the musical elements and stylistic features from various styles of music, exploring connections and different viewpoints to enrich their own music making.

Food and Fashion

In this course students develop their knowledge of food safety and hygiene, food preparation and nutrition. Students are encouraged to make wise decisions in regard to food and health, whilst producing nutritious and appetising meals including foods suitable for Breakfast, Lunch and Dinners, not forgetting yummy snacks.

Textiles will give students the opportunity to be creative and develop a range of skills using fabrics and other textile materials. They learn to care and operate sewing equipment and learn basic sewing techniques to make simple projects. Students develop an understanding of natural and man-made fibres and the production processes used in the fashion industry.

Intro to dance

In this course students are introduced to the fundamentals of dance. They will get the opportunity to explore a range of dance styles. Students will be introduced to all production elements that go into creating a dance. They will use this knowledge to create a one minute dance.