KINGSCLIFF HIGH SCHOOL
Subject Selection Information

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ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH ENDEAVOUR

Faculty: Science

Subject: Marine Studies

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Classification of the Course:

Content Endorsed Course

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Nature of the Course

Marine Studies provides an educational context, linked to the needs of a significantly coastal and waterways-based population, fostering links to tertiary study and vocational pathways.

Further, this course brings a wide range of marine-based leisure experiences to students in a safe setting. Marine Studies provides for both practical and theoretical learning and students' acquire skills to solve real life problems.

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Nature of the Course

Through Marine Studies students will develop:

- knowledge, understanding and appreciation that promote sound environmental practices in the marine environment
- the ability to cooperatively manage activities and communicate in a marine context
- an ability to apply the skills of critical thinking, research and analysis
- knowledge and understanding of marine industries and their interaction with society and with leisure pursuits
- knowledge, understanding and skills in safe practices in the marine context.

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Nature of the Course

The following core modules can be covered in Year 11 and Year 12:

- Marine Safety and First Aid
- The Marine Environment
- Life in the Sea
- Humans in Water
- Marine and Maritime Employment

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Nature of the Course

There are a number optional modules covered in Year 11 and Year 12. These may include:

- Skin Diving and Diving Science (opportunity to participate in PADI Dive Course)
- Marine Archaeology
- Life in the Sea
- Coral Reef Ecology
- The Marine Aquarium
- Boating and Seamanship (opportunity to achieve a boat licence)
- Local Area Study
- Personal Interest Project
- Aquaculture

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HSC Exam: No

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Internal Assessment Structure

The Year 11 Marine Studies assessment program is:

- Practical Task
- Research Task
- Yearly Examination

The Year 12 Marine Studies assessment program is :

- Half-Yearly Examination
- Research Task
- Personal Interest Project
- Yearly Examination

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Subject Contribution for the Course:

$50 per year

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Skills Required for this subject and/or any Prerequisites:

- Students selecting this course should be interested in aquatic environments, including the marine environment
- Students should be prepared to undertake water activities such as snorkeling that will require skill assessment

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Career Opportunities

- This course provides a general overview of the marine environment
- Students are provided with opportunities to develop and expand their skills to build their understanding and knowledge of environmental interactions in aquatic environments
- There is potential opportunities for students to gain a PADI open water diving certificate and a boat licence

If you would like to know more

If you would like to know more about Marine Studies:

- Talk to Mr Jovaisa, Mr McLean or Mrs O'Keeffe, Head Teacher Science