



CHILD STUDIES

- ▶ Child Studies can be studied as an elective in year 9 and in year 10.
- ▶ In Child Studies we learn about child development from preconception through to and including the early years (0-8 years).



TOPICS THAT WE STUDY INCLUDE

Year 9 and 100 hour students

- ▶ Preparing for parenthood- in this unit we explore the preparation required before becoming a parent.
- ▶ Conception to birth- In this unit we explore conception, contraception, pregnancy and birth.
- ▶ Newborn care- In this unit we focus on the care of newborn babies. The students have hands on experience with our electronic babies.
- ▶ Family Interactions- In this unit the rights of the child and the families they belong to are our focus.



Year 10 (200 hour) students

- ▶ Toddler entertaining- in this unit we explore stages of development and play based learning. Students are involved in project-based learning where they create a toy, book, song, dance etc to teach and entertain a toddler. Students gain real life experience with excursions to Kingscliff TAFE childcare centre-Jindi play session.
- ▶ Culture and children- we explore different cultures and activities that can be used with children from different cultures in a childcare setting. The focus of the unit is local Bundjalung culture.
- ▶ Careers involving children- Project-based learning is the vehicle for students to explore occupations that work with children. The students create a stand for a career's expo for an occupation of their choosing.



- ▶ Feeding little ones-In this unit students explore breastfeeding/bottle feeding, weaning, introducing solids, nutritional needs of toddlers, allergies and party food. Students have practical experience making healthy snacks and birthday cakes.
- ▶ Safety-students investigate childhood disease and immunisation, physical and mental health of children, injuries and first aid.
- ▶ Every child is different-this unit explores the diverse needs of children, including disability and high potential. Students gain practical experience learning the basics of AUSLAN and creating enrichment activities for children.



WHO IS CHILD STUDIES SUITED TO?

Child Studies provides a foundation for a wide range of study options in and beyond school and a range of vocational pathways that support and enhance the wellbeing of children. Study of this course will also support young people engaged in voluntary caring, supervision and child support roles and in formal work opportunities such as childcare, health and education.

