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INTRODUCTION

Fashion and Design was established at Kent Street in 1991. The course was developed to encourage creativity in young men and women. The course also provides them with both general vocational skills and skills related to employment in the fashion and design industry.

The course has a strong basis in technology and the concept of problem solving and the design processes that lead towards creative output. These are skills that are particularly relevant to education today.

Fashion and Design at Kent Street combines the expertise of two Learning Areas of the school. The Art Department provides the link with ‘The Arts’ Learning Area and the creative basis of the course. Home Economics belongs to the ‘Technology and Enterprise’ Learning Area of the curriculum and as such, provides exposure to a range of different technology processes in all practical projects. Combined, the two Learning Areas provide a well-balanced and varied approach to the teaching of Fashion and Design.

The course also provides the opportunity for students to develop connections with both the fashion industry and further educational institutions, such as TAFE. The possibility of work experience in the area of fashion and design in upper school exists through Workplace Learning.

Students who enrol in the Fashion and Design Program will gain a strong general education, as well as the opportunity to extend themselves in an area of interest. The program does not train students for one specific job but rather provides the knowledge and transferable skills which will be broadly applicable and generally used for students who may wish to pursue a career in the fashion, design or related industries.

The Fashion and Design Program offers students access to a course that, while vocationally useful, is enriching in personal development, in both aesthetic and practical ways through its provision of life skills. These advantages are in themselves reason enough for the young men and women to find enrolment in the Approved Specialist Fashion and Design Program at Kent Street, a valuable and enriching aspect of their education.
Fashion & Design Students

Fashion & Design students commute daily from across the metropolitan area, with a number travelling from as far as Wanneroo in the North, Mandurah to the South and Mt. Helena to the East. Bus services to the school are regular and take about 10 minutes from the city centre.

A number of students come from country areas in order to study Fashion & Design. Whilst some of these students board with friends or relatives in Perth, the majority stay at the Rotary Residential College which is situated next to the school campus and provides high quality student accommodation.

Fashion & Design Staff

Currently there are two Art teachers and two Textiles teachers delivering the Approved Specialist Fashion & Design Program.
ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES OF THE PROGRAM

The aim of this program is to provide students with the creative problem solving and technical skills related to work in the fashion and design industry. Students in the program will develop:

- Competency in basic design principles and their application
- Knowledge of and ability to use textiles and textile processes in a creative manner
- A high level of competency in garment construction
- A fashion perspective, both historical and contemporary
- Exposure through work placement
- Experience in the presentation of their work through exhibition, parading, competitions
- Confidence, self esteem, initiative and maturity

Pictured below: Successful Fashion and Design applicants proudly show the certificates they receive at the start of the year.
HIGHLIGHTS

- Annual Fashion & Design Showcase
- Apex Teenage Fashion Award
- Stockland Retail & Marketing Opportunities
- Exhibitions
- Camp
- Incursion with Designers
- Interstate Fashion Tours
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Fashion and Design at Kent Street offers a program of study through Years 7 to 12 from 2015.

The next few pages provide an overview of the themes and content teachers base their programming on for lower school students. It is general enough to provide flexibility for teachers, enabling them to draw on their particular areas of expertise whilst meeting the needs and interests of our Fashion and Design clientele.

YEAR 7 and 8
- Art Themes
  - Introducing Design
  - Discovering Textiles
- Textile Themes
  - Clothing Decisions
  - Creativity with Textiles

YEAR 9
- Art Themes
  - Textiles & the Environment
  - Design for the Individual
- Textile Themes
  - Technology & Fashion
  - Creativity with Clothing

YEAR 10
- Art Themes
  - Applying the Design Process
  - Understanding the Textile Process
- Textile Themes
  - Applying the Elements and Principals of Design
  - Vocational Clothing
ENROLMENT

Students wishing to enrol into Fashion and Design at Kent Street should complete the APPLICATION forms for entry into the Fashion & Design Program.

Entry Requirements

In order to be granted a place in the Fashion and Design course students should be able to demonstrate:

- Portfolio
- Creativity Test

School reports, references and personal qualities of the applicant will be considered in determining acceptance into the course. Please enclose a copy of the last 2 school reports with your application form.

Country Students

The Rotary Residential College is situated adjacent to Kent Street SHS and provides accommodation for country students. The College is operated by Rotary International and enquiries should be made on (08) 9470 4177. Country students boarding in Perth to study Fashion and Design may qualify for financial assistance from the Isolated Student’s Allowance. Applications are made to the Commonwealth Department of Education, 251 Adelaide Terrace, Perth.

Scholarship

The Jean and Peter Stokes Scholarship is offered to a Year 10 student who has a keen interest in the field of Fashion and Design. The scholarship is worth $1000. The successful applicant must be prepared to enroll in Fashion and Design at Kent Street in Year 11 and 12.
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Year applying for: Year 7 [ ] Year 8 [ ] Year 9 [ ] Year 10 [ ] Year 11 [ ] Year 12 [ ]

APPLICANT DETAILS
Full name of applicant: ____________________________
Date of Birth: ____________________________ Phone No: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
Town / Suburb: ____________________________ Postcode: ____________________________
Pre-existing Medical Conditions: ____________________________
Has your child been suspended during the past 2 years? [ ] No [ ] Yes

CURRENT SCHOOL DETAILS
Current Year Level: ____________________________
Name of Current School: ____________________________
Name of School Principal: ____________________________ Name of Class Teacher: ____________________________
Address of Current School: ____________________________
Town / Suburb: ____________________________ Postcode: ____________________________ School Phone No: ____________________________

PARENT / CARER DETAILS
Name of Parent / Carer: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
Town / Suburb: ____________________________ Postcode: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________
Home Ph: ____________________________ Work Ph: ____________________________ Mobile: ____________________________

APPLICANT’S INTERESTS and/or EXPERIENCE in SPECIALIST AREA (IF APPLICABLE)
____________________________________________________

TERM ACCOMMODATION
Will you be seeking term accommodation at the Rotary Residential College, situated on the grounds of Kent Street Senior High School?
[ ] No [ ] Yes

LOCATION FOR SITTING ENTRY TESTS FOR SPECIALIST COURSES
Applicants from the Perth metropolitan area are expected to sit their entry tests at Kent Street Senior High School on the advertised date. If you are unable to do this due to distance or other extenuating circumstances, where would you prefer to sit your entry tests and whom should we contact to make the necessary arrangements to supervise you? Please note that the applicant must arrange for a suitable supervisor such as their current teacher.
Place: ____________________________ Name of Supervisor: ____________________________
Supervisor’s Position: ____________________________

PARENTS – PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF THE APPLICANT’S TWO MOST RECENT SCHOOL REPORTS
Please return this application form, together with the applicant’s two most recent school reports to:

Enrolment Officer
Kent Street Senior High School
89 Kent Street
EAST VICTORIA PARK WA 6101

Acceptance into the course is subject to a satisfactory performance in the entry tests, favourable school reports, appropriate behaviour and places being available. You will be notified of your acceptance or otherwise by mail early Term 3.