

## Wirraway Homestead Youth Centre : Integration with School Curriculum

Wirraway camps cross the boundaries of curriculum, focussing on the Health and Physical Education and Studies of Society and Environment areas. The table below is a summary of some of these connections. Wirraway uses exciting activities as a basis for development of life skills, human movement, participation, group dynamics and co-operation, self awareness and introduces an understanding of a Christian belief system.

Activity	Description	SOSE	Health & Physical Development	Other	Key Competencies
Horse Riding	Wirraway has trained instructors who teach horse riding skills for students from beginners through to competent riders		physical activity movement & participation , safety		4,6
Archery	Archery is taught and develops eye/hand co-ordination, concentration, working with others, safety		physical activity movement & participation , safety		4,6
Flying Fox	A thrilling ride, requiring courage and co-operation, teamwork to return mechanism for next ride		physical activity movement & participation , safety		4,6
Trampolining	Physical co-ordination, co-operation with others, recognition of rights of others		physical activity movement & participation , safety		4,6
Ropes Course	A low ropes course is used as an opportunity to teach co-ordination, healthy competition and safety		Physical activity movement and participation, safety		6
Climbing wall	A wall with 5 different levels of climbing. Belaying for older students, for young students Wirraway staff will belay.		Human Relations Physical activity	Teamwork, trust	4
Pipehenge	A daytime astronomical observatory, discussions of movements of earth and planets, position of sun	Natural & Social Systems Resources Investigation,		Science: Earth & beyond	1,2,5,6

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<b>Mini Golf</b>	Free time activity and organised competition in pairs		Physical activity, co-operation, teamwork Scoring Systems		4
<b>Creek Project</b>	Wirraway is developing an Environmentally friendly area along the creek. Students can choose their focus from the following: revegetation/ecosystem appreciation/ sketching /ropes course	Natural & Social Systems Resources	Physical activity	The Arts: visual art Science: Earth & beyond	1, 2, 4
<b>Trust Games</b>	Activities which require students to work with another person and trust them		Human Relations	Team work	4
<b>Bunkhouse community</b>	Students need to develop a feeling of community with others, co-operate & take pride in their environment	Culture	Human Relations Conflict Resolution		2,3,4,6
<b>Work groups</b>	Students learn to work as a team for dishes groups, bunkhouse neatness, activity groups etc.		Human Relations Conflict Resolution	Team work	4,6
<b>Christian Program</b>	Non-denominational presentation of a belief system informs students of a Christian view of spiritual basis for lifestyle	Culture: belief systems	States of Health Identity Community Practices		1,2
<b>Night hike and games</b>	Evening programs include a night hike through the bushland and indoor games providing social interaction		Physical Activity		4
<b>Quiz</b>	Students work on solving word problems with Wirraway related clues: teamwork, vocabulary, collecting information, lateral thinking, numeracy skills	Investigation, participation		English: language	1,4, 6

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