



Feeding our Future - Year 4

Overview

Wanted – Worker Bees! The hive at Currumbin Valley Camp are seeking worker bees to help with the design and implementation of sustainable, organic and bee-friendly veggie gardens!

Worker Bees must:

- become experts in organic gardening and establish an organic garden bed
- design and construct bug and native bee hotels and participate in a local revegetation project
- investigate local environments, bush tucker and native plants and gain an understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives and connections to country

Feeding our Future is a two-night residential camp with a strong sustainability focus. Students will investigate and participate in aspects of food production from farm to plate. This will include soil health and the role of insects in pollination, organic farming and the ethics of care, respect and responsibility to the land. Students will be invited to become environmental champions, active and informed citizens and change the world through food.



Curriculum Intent

Cross-curriculum Priorities

Sustainability

(Systems and Futures)

OI.2: All life forms, including human life, are connected through ecosystems on which they depend for their wellbeing and survival.

OI.7: Actions for a more sustainable future reflect values of care, respect and responsibility, and require us to explore and understand environments

OI.9: Sustainable futures result from actions designed to preserve and/or restore the quality and uniqueness of environments

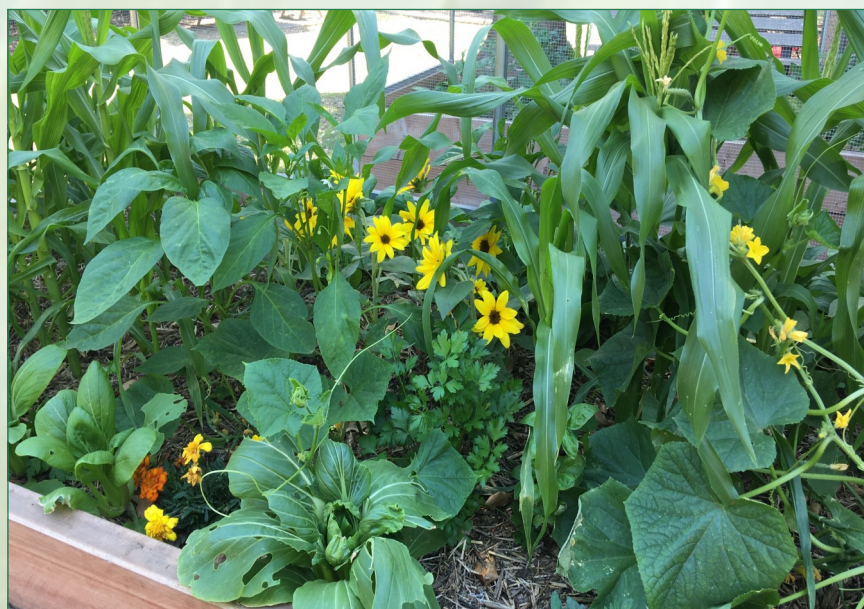
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures

Science

Living things depend on each other and the environment to survive (**ACSSU073**)

Health and Physical Education

Explore how participation in outdoor activities supports personal and community health and wellbeing and creates connections to natural and built environments (**ACPPS059**)



Camp Activities Overview

Connecting to Country

In this session, students will be immersed in the nearby Mt Cougal section of the Springbrook National Park. Using the true story of an Indigenous boy who went to 'bush school' one day with his uncles, the students will be 'going to school' in the national park. Through the use of story thread and imagination, creek hopping, ochre painting, bush tucker, exploring water holes and the practise of mindfulness and attentiveness in nature, students will delve into the interconnected nature of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and their special relationship with country.

Native Environments

This session will look at pollinators, particularly native bees and the role they play in the environment. Globally there is a decline in bee and pollinator populations and in this session students will get hands on to help the bees out! They will learn about native bees and then design and build a 'hotel' specific to their needs using natural and recycled materials. Students will also work on a native plant revegetation project along our campus creek bank in order to establish habitat and food sources for our declining bee population.

Organic Farming

In this session we will leave the Valley Campus and travel a short distance to a nearby organic farm. This family owned and operated farm has a rich history in the Currumbin Valley and on arrival, students will be met by the farm owner and given a crash course in organic farming. As a part of this session we will also learn about the many benefits of organic farming and why pesticide-free farming offers many advantages to people and wildlife alike. Students will then return to camp and using their newly acquired knowledge set up their very own organic garden bed.

Sample Program

DATE	DAY PROGRAM			NIGHT PROGRAM
DAY 1	10.00am - ARRIVAL / MORNING TEA / TEACHER BRIEFING / INDUCTION & SITE ORIENTATION / CABIN ALLOCATION			7.00pm – 9.00pm NIGHT WALK (Run by centre staff) CAMP FIRE (Run by visiting staff)
	11.00am MEET YOUR MENTOR / GROUP INGREDIENTS			
	12.00pm - LUNCH 1.00pm - AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES			
	Connecting to Country	Native Environments	Organic Farming	
	4.00pm - RECREATION TIME / SHOWERS 5.30pm - DINNER			
DAY 2	6.45am - MORNING FITNESS SESSION 7.30am - BREAKFAST 8.30am - MORNING RELECTION / ACTIVITIES			7.00pm – 9.00pm MOVIE NIGHT (Ratatouille) Run by visiting staff
	Organic Farming	Connecting to Country	Native Environments	
	12.00pm - LUNCH 1.00pm - AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES			
	Native Environments	Organic Farming	Connecting to Country	
	4.00pm - RECREATION TIME / SHOWERS 5.30pm - DINNER			
DAY 3	6.30am - BELONGINGS PACKED AND TAKEN TO DEPARTURE AREA - CLEANING OF ACCOMMODATION 7.30am - BREAKFAST 8.30am - MORNING ACTIVITIES			<div>IMPORTANT NOTE: Shaded programming areas are the responsibility of Visiting Supervisors. The above examples are a guide only.</div>
	Country Kitchen – Recipe Design	Wellbeing and Nature Play	Bees-wax Wraps and Calico Bags	
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	Camp Reflection	Camp Reflection	Camp Reflection	
	12.00pm - LUNCH 1.00pm - DEPART			