

First Nations Support at St Augustine's College

A PREP-YEAR 12 CONTEMPORARY CATHOLIC COLLEGE IN AUGUSTINE HEIGHTS (YUGGERA COUNTRY)



St Augustine's College acknowledges the Jagera peoples, of the Yuggera Nation, as the traditional and continuing custodians of this region. We pay our respects to Elders; past, present, and emerging and recognise the important contributions they make to our College community. The Yuggera hold the dreaming beliefs and songlines of this country and their presence will forever be found, in this land, and in its' people. We play and learn on Jagera country.

How does St Augustine's College Support First Nations Students & Families?



- Deadly Crew Pastoral Support for First Nations students - with an aim to build a feeling of welcome, belonging & inclusiveness within the College & wider community.
- Engagement with support networks such as KAMBU/IUIH, Deadly Choices, Yourtown, Ngutana-Lui Cultural Centre etc.
- Cultural learning through Ngutana-Lui programs & Elder visits.
- Community connection with Come & Yarn morning tea & NAIDOC Week events for families.
- Physical Acknowledgment of Country & physical displays of respect throughout the College with Deadly Crew & Elder consultation.
- Access to QATSIF and Pathways support/opportunities.
- Dedicated Student Leadership positions - First Nations Student Ambassadors.

How does St Augustine's College support the Education of all students about First Nations peoples, cultures & histories?

- All students and families are exposed to learning about First Nations culture & histories through the embedding of First Nations perspectives, sciences, knowledge, & histories throughout the curriculum.
- Celebration of National Reconciliation Week & NAIDOC Week
- Marking of National Sorry Day & StAC Raise Your Hand in Solidarity Display
- Acknowledgment of Country at all assemblies and College events
- Camp immersion programs - Matthew Burns, Quandamooka Educator
- Ngutana-Lui immersions for selected year groups
- Classroom cultural teaching through in-culture delivery of curriculum where possible



First Nations Student Support Staff

"Gurumba bigi everyone - my name is Rosie Dwyer and I am the First Nations Support person at StAC. I'd like to say a huge thank you to the families and students of St Augustine's College for accepting me in this role. Being involved with Deadly Crew and engaging with StAC families has definitely been the highlight of my 25+ year teaching career. Every day I learn something new, and every year we build upon our support and build better relationships within our College. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with the First Nations students and families at StAC and privileged that even though I make mistakes, families will let me know and point me in the right direction again. Partnerships and respect brings success."

