

A photograph of four Catholic school students sitting outdoors on a bench. From left to right: a boy in a dark blue sweater, a girl in a dark blue blazer with a school crest and a green cross pin, a boy in a dark blue sweater with a school crest, and a girl in a blue and white plaid dress over a white shirt. They are all smiling and looking towards the right. The background shows a school building and trees.

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SYDNEY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Virtues of Leadership



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Student leaders, Nicholas La Delfa & Carla Elasi, Clancy Catholic College

The world is full of advice for leaders and aspiring leaders alike. Thousands of books and articles are generated each year professing to have the answers to leadership challenges both big and small.

Universities run courses specifically designed to turbo charge careers through the very latest in leadership theory and practice.

Conferences and seminars abound with experts regaling attendees with stories about their heroic journey through the peaks and valleys of their varied careers.

While all this is helpful, there are some enduring qualities that will serve any leader and indeed any person and apply equally to both career and life. Known as the cardinal virtues, they are aspirational foundations that can help any leader in almost any situation to make better decisions.

Prudence is foundational to any good leadership and is the gift of wisdom. To be wise is to match goodness with reality and to be endlessly curious about what is right and life giving - truly great leaders, no matter how imperfectly, are always

striving to be prudent. Justice is a concept that is in constant conflict with emotion and relativism. While our legal system is imperfect and ever changing, a system of governance is one of the foundation stones of a just and civil society and forms an essential component of strong leadership. Put simply, a just leader is a fair leader who acts on principles and the truth always.

Fortitude is courage and the willingness to stand up when the going gets tough. There are times when leaders struggle to stand up for what is right, especially when

numbers are stacked against them. To be prudent and just at times like these requires fortitude and the ability to see beyond the most challenging moments and stick to what is right.

Temperance is most often associated with consumption but it is much more than that. Temperance is the virtue of being measured and considered in everything we do and is the opposite of impulsive or reflexive leadership. To be temperate is to be calm and to develop the skill of processing clearly and comprehensively in the most difficult of situations. A temperate

leader shows grace under fire. These classical virtues are made more real and vivid to us through the Christian virtues of faith, hope and charity. In our faith we are most fully realised, and through our belief that we are born in the image and likeness of God we are brought closer to the transcendent and infinite love of God.

Leadership - like life - is a series of hits and misses, triumphs and failures and day to day moments that are as uneventful as they are necessary. Above all, Catholic leadership is a gift that must be examined, nurtured and grown through Christ centred service and personal witness.

All Saints Catholic College



Daniel McInerney

About the Principal

Daniel McInerney joined the All Saints community in 2019 as the Foundation Executive Principal of the new K-12 College. Daniel is committed to instilling the foundations for a community of strong faith and educational excellence. Daniel is a lifetime teacher committed to the vocation of Catholic education and making a real difference in the lives of the people in the ASCC K-12 community he leads.

School profile

All Saints Catholic College is the newest K-12 School in Sydney and the first fully operational Systemic Catholic K-12 school in the Archdiocese of Sydney. We are a dual Campus community with our K-10 Campus being located in the heart of Liverpool and our Senior Year 11-12 Campus located at Casula in a tranquil bush setting bordering the Bellbird Trail. Our history in educating the youth of the Liverpool area has a proud and rich tradition, with the first students beginning way back in 1827.

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Outstanding student leaders

The All Saints Catholic College K-12, Liverpool and Casula communities have a long, proud and rich history; with early beginnings as the third Catholic school in the new colony, we have developed into the first K-12 Catholic systemic school in the Archdiocese of Sydney, with a community of almost 2400 students and staff entering our gates each day.

The school has two campuses (Liverpool K-10 and Casula 11-12) but is known in the local area as 'one school, dual campus, one community.' Critical to the strong culture of the College is the outstanding student leaders who give daily witness to their peers of student excellence in the areas of faith, teaching and learning, wellbeing, and extracurricular life.

College Principal Mr McInerney summed this up at

the Leadership Investiture when he said; *In its simplest form, leadership is taking responsibility for making a positive difference in our and other people's lives. Student Leadership provides a means of expressing student opinion and enables students to raise issues concerning their involvement in the life of the College. The SRC of 2023 is an outstanding group of student leaders who will bring energy to the focus of students' voices and, in doing so, will strongly advocate for student agency. Without a doubt, I am certain that the leaders of 2023 leaders will positively influence the culture of the College and the lives of the students they lead. Together, we pray for them and wish them every success in the journey ahead.*

Mr Daniel McInerney
Principal, All Saints Catholic College K-12



All Saints Catholic College 2023



**Year 10 SRC students: Back row: Jake Barrett, Liam Doel, Andrew Mogan, Elijah Agyapong.
Front row: Evangeline El Azzi, Shanaiah Misquitta, Gianna Hamilton, Stephanie Kocet, Coreena Nicdao, Sienna Santa Maria**

All Saints Catholic College is a proud Catholic community, founded on the traditions of the Sisters of Charity and the Patrician Brothers. All Saints offers leadership opportunities in many areas such as the Student Representative Council, sport, social justice and peer support. The College is committed to equipping students with the confidence and abilities that will enable them to succeed in their time at school and beyond.

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'Inspired by Christ'

Aquinas Catholic College



James Clancy

About the Principal

Commencing as Principal in 2019, James Clancy is a highly effective and contemporary Catholic leader, with more than 30 years' experience in Catholic Education. He is committed to ensuring students receive a faith-based education that places an emphasis on academic achievement and challenges students to pursue excellence in all facets of school life.

School profile

Aquinas Catholic College is a Year 7 to Year 12 co-educational Catholic College. Our 'ASPIRE' touchstones encourage all students to achieve their best in everything, whilst our Enlivened Learning philosophy fosters a growth mindset in uniting faith, wellbeing and learning. The College continues to build on its strong foundations in supporting every student on their journey to becoming confident, capable and respectful citizens. We have an aspiration that our graduates pursue their dreams, make positive contributions to the local and global community.

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Leaders of Community, Faith and Future

Providing students with opportunities to use their individual gifts and talents in a purposeful way is what defines leadership at Aquinas Catholic College Menai. We're committed to enabling our students to develop relationships that allow them to work positively and meaningfully with their peers, throughout their schooling and beyond.

Our students strive to model servant leadership, by inspiring each other to aim for their personal best and seek opportunities to effect positive change in the lives of others in and around our community. Whether it be through leading school assemblies, providing motivation and inspiration at carnivals, raising awareness and fundraising, serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, contributing to school forums, coordinating our Feast Day celebrations or mentoring students from Holy Family Catholic Primary School,

our leaders enrich the lives of individuals, build better communities and ultimately contribute to a more just and caring world.

We encourage a culture of leadership through a variety of experiences. Leadership opportunities arise through the co-curricular program including sport and cultural activities, the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, Peer Support Program, social justice and community service initiatives, as well as election to student leadership roles. Each of these experiences emphasise teamwork, taking initiative and developing responsibility.

This year we have a group of fine young men and women who have willingly put themselves forward to serve our College community. We are supremely confident they will be excellent representatives of whom we can be very proud. Congratulations to all of our leaders.



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Catholic College Menai

2023 College Leaders



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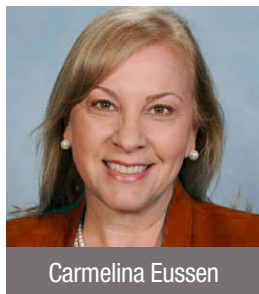


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Casimir Catholic College



About the Principal

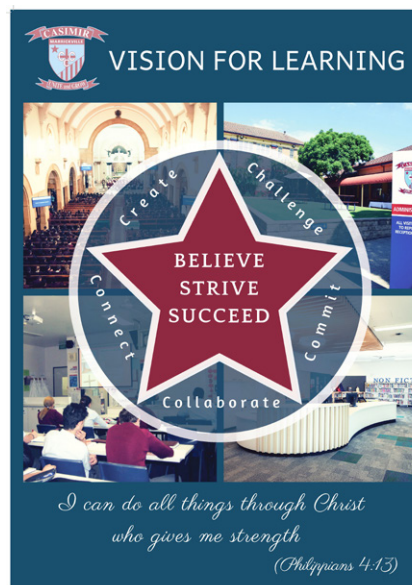
As Principal of Casimir Catholic College, it is my pleasure to welcome you to our school. We are delighted to have the opportunity to share our ethos, our story and our aspirations with you.

School profile

As a multi-charism school founded in the traditions of The Sisters of the Good Samaritan, The De La Salle Brothers and The Passionist Fathers, we offer a rich, inclusive and holistic approach to education in the Catholic tradition. Our founding charisms provide an affiliation to a worldwide community of educators that work in thousands of schools, colleges and universities from all corners of the globe.

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Quality Catholic education focused on Excellence in learning and community spirit

Casimir Catholic College is a Year 7-12 co-educational College which was established in 1983 from the amalgamation of De La Salle College and St Brigid's College, both of which had been landmark schools in the Marrickville area dating back to the 1930s.

The College exists to meet the educational needs of children from Marrickville and surrounding suburbs. It has a rich tradition, steeped in the values and customs of three religious orders: the Good Samaritan Sisters, the De La Salle Brothers and the Passionist Fathers. The College is renowned for its genuine sense of community, friendly campus, vibrant, diverse and dynamic feel. The College has great relations with St Brigid's Church, Marrickville and very close connections with our feeder primary schools.

We aim to provide quality Catholic education with a focus on academic excellence - in turn, creating



quality graduates with high standards and expectations, motivating and challenging students to achieve their potential. We endeavour to create a very organised, structured and settled environment.

The Newman Selective Gifted Education Program enriches and extends students to be curious, creative and critical thinkers. At Casimir we are committed to educating our students to be strong and respectful global citizens.

The Amadeus Music Program introduced in 2022 allows all students the opportunity to learn to play an instrument with professional tutors and specialist music classes. Alongside the Sport and Co-curricular program that offers an extensive range of activities and opportunities for all students.

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Clancy Catholic College



Mr David Fetterplace

About the Principal

This is my sixth year as Principal of Clancy Catholic College, a community where relationships are built on respect between staff, students and families. We are proudly Catholic, though receptive to all who share our Christian values. At Clancy, we have a reputation for excellence in all that we do. We make no apologies for setting high expectations and for challenging all students to be the very best they can be.

School profile

Clancy Catholic College is a coeducational 7-12 secondary College with an enrolment of over 1240 students. We describe our mission as 'Seeking excellence in all that we do, while nurturing a love of Christ, a love of learning and a love of each other.'

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Supporting students in our community

At Clancy Catholic College all students are encouraged to develop their leadership skills in order to serve and support fellow students and the wider community. There are many student roles throughout the number of year levels that offer support and leadership for other students in the school community, through house activities and specific fields of interest. Every student is encouraged to build their own sense of themselves as leaders.

A wide range of formal leadership positions are available at the College. These positions are in place to provide a 'student voice' to the entire student body. Student voice flows from the belief that schools should forever listen, collaborate and act with students.

EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENT LEADERS

Once elected, Student Leaders will be expected to comply with the following expectations:

- Demonstrate a willingness to work hard for others...the notion of 'Service';

- Uphold the aims and Catholic values of the College community at all times;
- Demonstrate pride in being a member of the College community;
- Work to find ways to actively represent, and involve, students in decision making so that student voices are heard;
- Show the courage to stand up for what is fair and right;
- Demonstrate initiative in identifying thoughtful and creative ideas to improve the College;
- Provide leadership to the student body;
- Be a role model for fellow students in word, action and demeanour;
- Be approachable, honest, patient, kind and friendly;
- Show interest in others and a willingness to make friends throughout the student body;
- Represent the College in a variety of meetings, forums, functions and programs, as required;
- Perform any other duties, as requested.



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De La Salle Catholic College Cronulla



Mr Stephen Mahoney

About the Principal

I have enjoyed over three decades within Catholic Education. Currently, as Principal of De La Salle Catholic College Cronulla, we seek to provide a suitable Lasallian environment in which students have the opportunity to develop to their full potential. We cherish the traditions passed on over 300 hundred years by the De La Salle Brothers.

About the School

De La Salle College, Cronulla is a systemic Catholic co-educational secondary day school which seeks to provide an environment that perpetuates the work and charism of St John Baptist De La Salle. It is a HSC specialist campus which is soon to expand to Years 7-12. The college offers a range of academic courses which have recorded outstanding HSC results over the years. The college also provides an excellent Vocational Educational and Training (VET) curriculum.

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School captain Langa Mnyandu, right, with student artist Sienna Salvato, left.

Compete to bring out your best

Students at De La Salle College Cronulla are urged by Principal, Mr Stephen Mahoney, to compete at every opportunity so as to bring out their best. Whether it be fundraising for Caritas or academic effort, students are urged to bring their very finest efforts to the task at hand.

Sienna Salvato is a good example of that ethos. Her portrait of Langa, the male College Captain, won the High Commendation in the Sydney Catholic Schools Portrait Competition.

She was inspired by Langa's announcements over the school PA system where he opens with the call sign, "This is your captain speaking!"

Students take the call seriously in their faith lives as well. Currently the College has 40 catechists

from the student body volunteering to work with Catholic students in the nearby Public Primary School. They have come up with many initiatives. On Pentecost Sunday, they are hosting their young students at St Aloysius Parish Cronulla for Mass and pizza. 25 students also participate in the parish Sacramental Program, assisting with the preparation of Confirmation candidates.

The College, founded by the De La Salle Brothers, also has a fine tradition of following the Lasallian charism and has 50 leaders who run social justice initiatives in the school.

They annually stage events that support causes such as Naidoc Week, RUOK Day and the Vinnies Winter Appeal and Sleepout.

Deo Duce - With God as Leader



De La Salle Catholic College Cronulla

Mr Stephen Mahoney, Principal with Captains Langa Mnyandu and Georgia Kent.

De La Salle Catholic College Revesby Heights



Mr Michael Hollis

School Profile

Our College motto is 'Christo Regente' (Christ Reigns), which underpins the ever present Catholic life of the community. We provide our students with many opportunities to enliven Gospel values and they are encouraged to be generous in both world and action. Most importantly, the young men of De La Salle College, Revesby Heights "enter to learn and to leave to serve".

About the School

De La Salle College Revesby Heights has the advantage of being a comparatively small secondary school (approximately 620 students) with strong community support. Our nurturing environment is tailored to learning and co-curricular needs and engenders a sense of belonging in our boys. We are a Newman Selective Gifted Education School that sets high academic expectations of our students and our dedicated teachers deliver high-quality boys' focused education. This culminates in impressive results in NAPLAN and the Higher School Certificate, setting our students up for success now and in the future.

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Excellence, Service, Community Empowering young men for the future

De La Salle College Revesby's Student Leadership Program inspires students to become leaders of integrity and accountability by learning that leaders are, first and foremost, people who serve the needs of others. Leaders are expected to model the values of faith, service, excellence and respect to support the College as a Catholic school in the Lasallian tradition. In doing so, students are able to develop leadership skills for life.

Our students work together to:

- Be of service to others both in our College and the wider community
- Invite participation from the rest of the community
- Promote the Catholic ethos of the College
- Listen to, and voice, student concerns
- Involve themselves in issues of social justice
- Lead College events and gatherings

- Challenge themselves and others to be their best selves.

The Year 12 Student Leaders include our:

- College Captain and Vice Captain

Senior Prefect Body

- House Captains
- Social Justice Prefects
- Liturgy Prefects

Lasallian Youth Leaders

- Senior students only

A Student Representative Council (SRC) also operates at the College. This group includes two student representatives from each year group across Years 7-11, which gives a further opportunity for student voice to be heard.

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Domremy College



Antoinette McGahan

About the Principal

Domremy is a place of infinite possibilities with an explicit focus on girls' education. The students are at the heart of innovative curricular and co-curricular activities.

School profile

Domremy College stands for excellence, tradition, faith and service to others. It is a comprehensive high school, Years 7-12 Girls, with a strong focus on the spiritual, academic, social and physical development of its students and is a vibrant and dynamic community.

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We congratulate our Class of 2023 leaders!

The College acknowledges all the fine young women who put themselves forward for leadership positions this year and congratulates those who were elected to our Student Leadership Team for 2023. Students have been elected to leadership roles which enable them to utilise their individual God given talents to help and serve others. Our Student Leadership Team, assisted by our Year 12 cohort, has thus far demonstrated that they are all very capable of leading, and to them we say, 'don't hold back!'

Each year the Student Leadership Team chooses a theme for the College to aspire to. In 2023, **"Grow from what you go through"**, exhorts all students to step out of their comfort zones and to realise that challenges are necessary in order to achieve more than they believe themselves capable of. The emphasis is on embracing each challenge that crosses our path in order to grow in all areas of our life. By keeping an open mind amidst change, we can view it as an opportunity to transform and create a future better than the present. The theme closely aligns to the College's growth mindset philosophy, to be adaptable, flexible and able to change with unpredictable moments. By putting themselves forward for consideration for Leadership positions, students have demonstrated this growth mindset. This year's theme is further reinforced at the College by the adoption of the theme's artwork (created by the students), in staff email signatures.

Our student leaders have led the way and modelled leadership, whether through organising Col-

lege events such as carnivals, banding together to increase student participation in Vinnies Sandwich Making, raising awareness and fundraising for worthwhile charities, coordinating our Domremy Feast Day celebrations, or leading College assemblies. They have mentored our younger students and set the bar high.

Principal Antoinette McGahan says, *"Our student leaders are the face of Domremy. They establish strong connections by being a source of inspiration to the younger members of our College. Their model of leadership reflects our Presentation charism and highlights the legacy of Venerable Nano Nagle, 'not words, but deeds.' Let the Light shine true.*

Mrs McGahan and the Student Leadership Team extend a warm invitation to interested families and their daughters, to take part in one of our College Tours available throughout the year. Details and registration for the Tours can be found on the College website <https://www.domremy.catholic.edu.au/collegetoursof> or by calling the College on 9712 2133.



COLLEGE TOURS

Tuesday 28 March 2023 - 9.30am
Wednesday 24 May 2023 - 5.00pm
Wednesday 21 June 2023 - 1.30pm
Thursday 3 August 2023 - 1.30pm
Monday 4 September 2023 - 9.30am
Monday 16 October 2023 - 5.00pm
Friday 17 November 2023 - 9.30am

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Good Samaritan Catholic College



Good Samaritan Catholic College

School profile

The Good Samaritan Catholic College is a co-educational Yrs 7-12 Community committed to quality education. Our challenge is to make a positive contribution to the transformation of society by encouraging independent and creative thinkers to search out new ways of dealing with our rapidly changing world.

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College Captains - Hugh De La Torre and Mia Zilic

A strong learning culture

Good Samaritan Catholic College is a school with a strong learning culture, where students are supported to reach their full academic potential. The college recognises that students have diverse learning needs, and provides the Newman Selective Gifted Education Program for gifted students as well as resources to support those who struggle with their schoolwork.

The college is committed to providing a comprehensive education that addresses the learning of each individual student and offers an extensive range of specialist vocational training courses. St Joseph Trades Skills Centre, proudly part of Good Samaritan Catholic College, opened in 2016.

The co-curricular life of GSCC offers opportunities for students to participate in performing arts, debating, public speaking and sport, as well as social justice and evangelisation initiatives. A welcoming environment

and effective communication processes ensure that parents work with the college in educating their sons and daughters. The school's motto 'Journeying with compassion', derived directly from the parable of the Good Samaritan, provides the underlying ethos of its mission statement. The college encourages students to grow as individuals by 'Encountering God', 'Promoting educational excellence', 'Nurturing individual growth' and 'Being a Samaritan'. The result is a diverse, dynamic community confident in the call to develop the gifts of love, justice, mercy and compassion through the education of young people.

The college encourages a culture of leadership. In 2023, Good Samaritan Catholic College is confident in the group of young men and women, who have willingly put themselves forward to serve our College and the wider community.



Good Samaritan Catholic College



College Captains: Hugh De La Torre, Mia Zilic. College Vice Captains: Rohil Sharma, Jheymee Umali. Catholic Life & Spirituality: Michael Abou Fram, Alanna Nahas. Social Justice & Stewardship: James Palumbo, Jaquelyn Loria. School Spirit: Muna Yasina, Monique Rossello. Student Wellbeing: Mark Trinh, Maree Santaguida.

Good Samaritan Catholic College Leadership 2023

Journeying with Compassion

Holy Cross College Ryde



Mr Phillip Stewart

About the Principal

MEd. Admin. (UNSW) BEd. (ACU)
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School profile

Holy Cross College, Ryde is a Catholic Systemic School catering for boys from Year 7 to Year 12. Founded by the Patrician Brothers in 1891, Holy Cross College has a proud 132 year tradition of educating the young men of Ryde and surrounding districts.

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Meet the Leaders of 2023



Holy Cross College, Ryde, is proud to introduce its student leadership team for 2023.

Chosen by their peers to be interviewed by panel members - including the Parish Priest of Ryde-Gladesville Parish and College Chaplain - the 16 selected students have already undertaken the responsibilities of leadership at the College with great distinction, adopting the motto: "Refuse to be ordinary. Leave a mark that can't be erased."

College Captain for 2023 Sam Sutton will be assisted by two other leaders in Shyan Govekar and Jacob Rodda, to lead the team who have begun working towards their goals as they commence HSC studies and move into Year 12.

Sam Sutton said he hopes to bring all students together to achieve common goals on school culture in 2023.

"We get to come to school with boys who make every single day enjoyable and worthwhile," he said. "In the coming year, I invite and challenge every young man at Holy Cross College to engage in initiatives and activities that we as a leadership team will coordinate."

"In focusing on the three aspects of College life - faith, learning, co-curricular - we are going to ensure that this community remains far from ordinary."

Shyan said being part of the Holy Cross Community offers a great sense of community and purpose.



Senior Under Officer - Adrian Gulumian

"Community is about doing something together that makes belonging matter," he said. "It is accepting high standards as a College community and maintaining those every single day we put on our uniform."

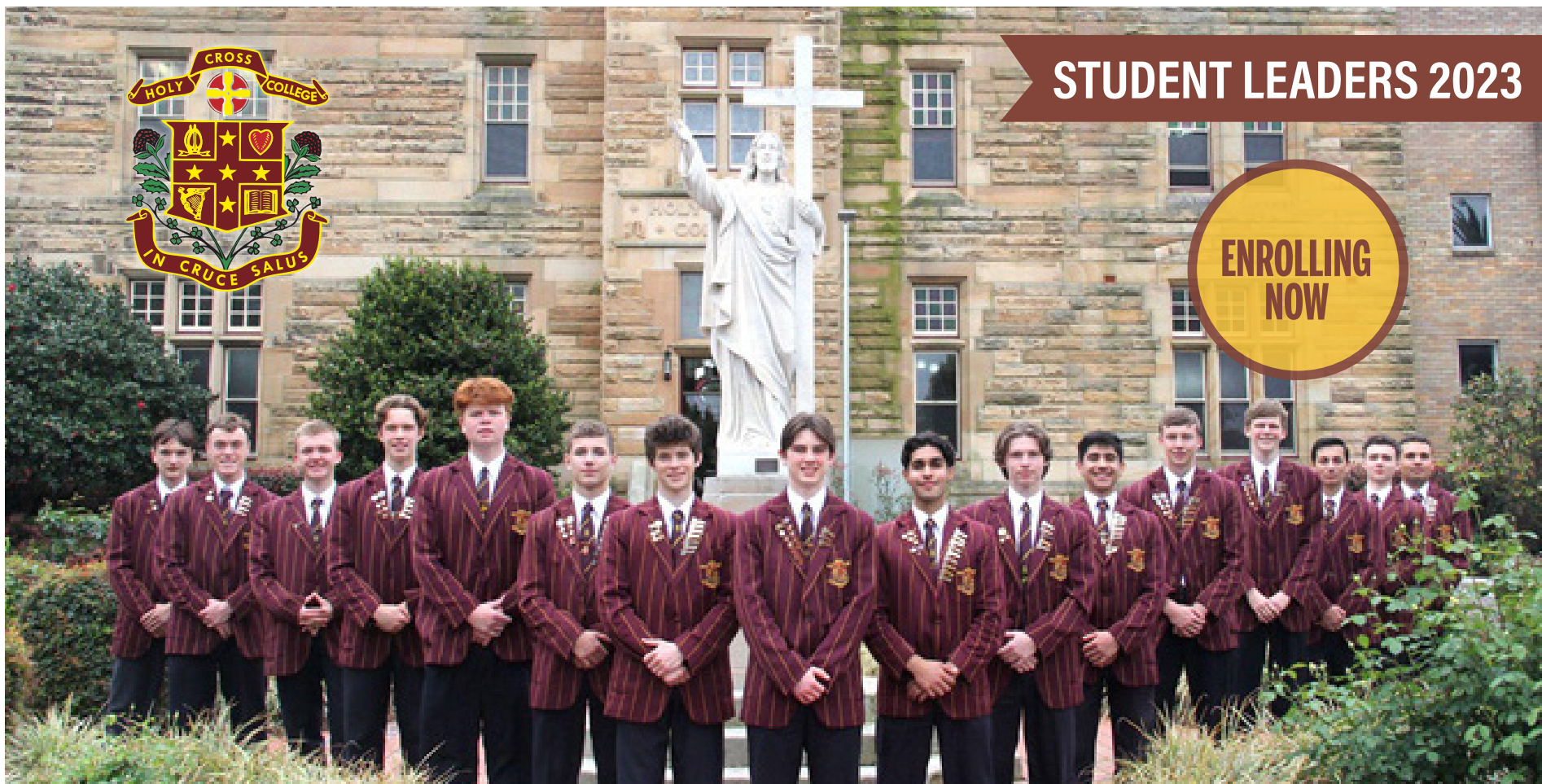
"It is supporting our brothers and teachers in times of hardship and stress, and being the first to congratulate them for successes and good deeds."

Students understand their learning and extra-curricular activities are enhanced by having a strong foundation of faith in their lives. Jacob said: "At Holy Cross, we are able to receive an education, play a range of sports both competitively and non-competitively, be active in the arts department, extend ourselves in a variety of sciences and practise our faith."

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Holy Cross College Army Cadet Unit Leadership Team For 2023

The College also has significant leadership opportunities in the newly formed Cadet Unit. Year 12 student Adrian Gulumian takes the unique honour of being the Senior Cadet of the College in his final year of school. Year 11 and 10 students take up leadership roles of each platoon. Holy Cross is the only Catholic Systemic School offering Army Cadets.



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LaSalle Catholic College Bankstown



Mr Michael Egan

About the Principal

We work in partnership with parents and families to educate and prepare students for lives beyond their school days.

School profile

LaSalle Catholic College Bankstown is a co-educational Yrs 7-12 college. LaSalle endeavours to touch hearts by developing the dignity and wellbeing of each student, teach minds through its educational programs and transform lives. Our motto is: Educating for Commitment, Confidence & Success

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Educating for commitment, confidence & success

Each student at LaSalle Catholic College is supported to achieve personal excellence in his or her academic and spiritual life, preparing our students to become future leaders within their communities. The College facilitates persistent learning growth across Years 7-12 and strong academic success in the HSC, allowing students to access their preferred university courses at top-tier universities across the state.

The College enjoys a deep and ongoing connection to its Lasallian charism and students are taught to seek justice and a preferential option for the poor in our local, national and global communities. Students are given opportunities to enliven their religious education through active participation in social justice initiatives, charity fundraising and stewardship for the environment.

We understand that each learner possesses unique gifts, interests and abilities, and the Col-

lege provides a range of supportive pathways that allow each student to find personal success. The Saint Yon Trade Training Centre provides outstanding, industry-standard training and facilities to those learners seeking a vocational pathway. The Newman Selective Gifted Education Program caters to high ability and gifted learners by differentiating the curriculum to increase rigour and engagement in learning, while the Amadeus Music Education Program invites students to discover a love of music and the arts.

The College motto of "Commitment, Confidence, Success" reminds our students that there is no limit to the goals they can accomplish if they dedicate themselves to the pursuit of academic and personal success in the service of others and our College leaders are committed to actively serving those in their local school community and beyond.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM 2023



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Marcellin College Randwick



Mark Woolford

Principals Message

Marcellin College Randwick is a Catholic Secondary School for boys in the Marist tradition. Founded in 1923, the College seeks to develop the confidence, capacity and competency of students as they mature into young men. We offer a dynamic curriculum with a wide range of HSC subjects available. The students have achieved outstanding results in recent years in all external examinations.

School profile

Marcellin College Randwick forms honourable young men. We aspire to excellence and encourage an appreciation for lifelong learning so that boys can continually attain skills and knowledge in order to live a fulfilled and meaningful life and contribute to the creation of a better world. We undertake this work of education in the tradition of the Catholic church, infused with a Marist spirituality. In the words of St Marcellin Champagnat, after whom our College is named, we seek to develop good Christians and good citizens.

School details

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Leadership at Marcellin College - Student voice

*Inspirational and aspirational
words from the College Captain
at his inaugural address to the
College Community*



The Marcellin College motto, *"Aeterna Non Caduca"*, calls us to strive for the eternal not the transitory. This premise is central to our school life. In our Centenary year, we recognise the generations of young men who came before us and established the College's culture of participation and success. It is a culture that calls on the present students to not simply consolidate the past but to enhance the future. Not to simply emulate, but to excel. We have emerged from Covid a stronger school community and can now enjoy the activities and events that are central to our Marcellin way of life.

It is not by chance or coincidence that we were the highest achieving boys Catholic School in the Sydney Diocese in last year's Higher School Certificate as well as being recognised as the Sydney Catholic Schools Sporting Champions for 2022. Rather, these results are testimony to the wonderful work of our teaching staff whose professionalism

and dedication instills great confidence in my fellow students.

In this, our Centenary Year, the Marcellin student community is aiming to go beyond what has been achieved in the previous 99 years. Our effort is one that focuses on a simple concept, based around a simple word. The word is more. It is one of the first words we learn to say as infants. It can be a hugely negative word. We can want more, take more, demand more, and desire more power. However, at Marcellin, we are challenged to simply **be more**.

At Marcellin College, every student is reminded to be more grateful, more accepting, to put in more effort and be more willing to forgive. As members of a diverse Marcellin community, it is our duty to **be more**. By striving to be more, then we move closer to becoming the *Good Christians* and *Good Citizens*, our founder St Marcellin Champagnat, challenged us to become.



Marcellin College Student Leadership Team 2023

Front Row (Left to Right): Xavier Novak, Owen Gallagher, David Hanna, Finn Daley, Harrison Barnes, James Maatouk, Ethan George.

Middle Row (Left to Right): Mr Matthew Fitzgerald (Acting Principal), Riley Durkin, Kobe Anderson, Julius Mitchell, Dylan Dos Santos, Cormac Hickey, Kieran Fung, Mr Mark Woolford (Principal).

Back Row (Left to Right): Samuel Lawson, Lehey Stewart, Aidan Greenwood, Ethan Garcia, Cooper Blacklock, Hugo Holt, Mr Mark Paterson (Year 12 Coordinator).



MARCELLIN COLLEGE
RANDWICK

Approximately 990 boys in Years 7-12. **Profile:** A Catholic Secondary College In The Marist Tradition
Marcellin College, founded in 1923, aims to give all students an outstanding contemporary education that caters to their individual needs

Aeterna Non Caduca – The Eternal Not the Transitory

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Marist Sisters' College Woolwich



Dr Anne Ireland

About the Principal

Dr Anne Ireland was appointed Principal of Marist Sisters' College Woolwich in 2015. She oversees Strategic Planning, Governance, Curriculum, Building Programs and Professional Development. Holding a Doctorate in Education, Masters in Educational Leadership, Masters of Arts (Theology), Diploma in Education and Certificate in Gifted Education, Dr Ireland is widely recognised for her positive advocacy for girls' education, published articles as well as her involvement in community fundraising. She continues her active involvement in her parish, St Francis Xavier, Lavender Bay.

School profile

Since 1908, Marist Sisters' College Woolwich (MSCW), an all-girls' secondary College on the north shore of Sydney, has been committed to the education of young women in the Marist tradition. The community is faith-based, respectful, innovative and inspired by Mary, the mother of our church. At MSCW, the gifts of curiosity and imagination are nurtured across the curriculum. The teaching and learning approach encourages girls to be critical thinkers, capable networkers, independent learners and team players who can make worthwhile contributions to professional and community networks.

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Developing leaders with a 'compass for Life'

Marist Sisters' College Woolwich (MSCW) has an exceptional reputation for instilling leadership qualities in young girls and women, consistently motivating them to contribute positively to their communities. The College motto, ***Virtus Super Omnia - 'Goodness Above All'***, guides student leaders to emulate the values of Mary by demonstrating truth, diligence, and honour in all their actions.

Our College vision assists students to develop a 'compass for Life.' This compass is fostered through four key dimensions: ***Empowerment*** through leadership opportunities, ***Courage*** to rise above challenges, ***Gifts***, to discover and refine while building ***Sisterly*** relationships.

Our student leaders are dedicated to serving the

College and wider community as Marist Women of Action. Their natural spirit and tenacity are given opportunities to thrive when welcoming new Year 7 students as little "sisters", by leading Tutor Group and House Initiatives, participating in sporting events, driving social justice initiatives, and preparing the 'famous' Gala Day.

At MSCW, student leadership begins in the vertical Tutor Group, where older students mentor younger students in all aspects of College life. As students progress, more formal leadership opportunities such as the Woolwich Student Union, co-curricular pursuits and Year 10 Amica Leader roles emerge. Our Leaders, as 'Marist Women of Action,' are renowned for their energetic contributions and positive impacts on the wider community.



Marist Sisters' College

Woolwich



Student Leaders 2023

Front Row: Holly Lloyd, Grace Murphy, Georgia Vassallo, Scarlett Tucker, Ava Gibson, Madison Turri, Victoria Tidor, Nina Gomez-Niewolik, Camille Moussallem

Second Row: Sofia Incerti, Daniella Agostino, Natalie Broom, Gabriella Michalopoulos, Jessica Smith, Tamara Jago, Claudia Khoury, Bianca Trunzo, Charlotte O'Brien

Back Row: Olivia Pezzutti, Alexia Testa, Sofia Morganti, Imogen Wylie, Claudia Walker, Isabelle Mourani, Amelia Latham, Zara Chand, Ava Turnbull, Mana Sugimoto

In Absentia: Katelyn Lopes, Clare Thomas

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Mary MacKillop Catholic College Wakeley



Ms Gilda Pussich

About the Principal

Commencing as Principal of Mary MacKillop Catholic College in 2018, Ms Gilda Pussich is a highly qualified and extensively experienced Catholic educator, with more than 35 years' experience in Catholic education. She has a passion for learning and a desire to make a difference in the lives of young people.

School profile

Mary MacKillop Catholic College is a systemic Catholic college for girls from Years 7 to 12. Founded in 1991, the College proudly continues the tradition of the Sisters of St Joseph and their founder Mary MacKillop. The College offers a holistic education which focuses on the faith, academic, social and physical development of students. The College vision is to 'Call young women to life, inspire a love of learning and empower them to make a difference in the world.'

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Aspiring to become MacKillop women

Mary MacKillop Catholic College has a rich Josephite tradition which is centered around the values of compassion, courage, excellence, hope, justice, love, respect and service. These same values are instilled into our students and clearly lived out by the student leaders. Our students, guided by our patroness St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, aspire to become "MacKillop Women".

The Student Leadership team is made up of a mix of Year 11 and Year 12 students, with the Year 12 students being the captains. This allows the Year 11 leaders an opportunity to learn from the Year 12 leaders. As well as having the leadership positions of College Captain and College Vice Captain, Year 12 students lead the six Houses and the five Portfolios: Culture, Faith, Justice, Learning and Wellbeing. Every year, following an immersion day on leadership, the student leaders develop a theme which guides their words and actions as well as those of all members of the College. The 2023 theme is "Strive to Thrive". The student leaders worked hard to develop a theme that reflected their commitment to excellence, confidence and resilience in learning and chose to connect it to the College's THRIVE Learning Framework. They chose a theme that reflected our College motto, "Called to Life" where all aspire to live life to the full (John 10:10) and one that reflected the importance of wellbeing

where all grow, prosper, flourish and improve their lives and those of others.

Our student leaders model the "Wakeley Way". They display a positive attitude towards their learning, take responsibility for their learning and set high expectations upon themselves. They understand that values, especially respect, their behaviour and attendance contribute to creating a safe, inclusive and connected community and prepare them for the future.

Our student leaders represented the College beyond the school walls at Sydney Catholic Schools events such as the Archbishop's Lunch for Leaders and at community events such as the Catholic Schools NSW International Women's Day Breakfast and local ANZAC Day services.

The 2022 theme of "United in Faith and Learning" guided the HSC Class of 2022 to achieve outstanding HSC results. The results showed the professionalism, ability and dedication the teachers had to prepare our students for their HSC Examinations and the commitment, perseverance and resilience our students had towards their studies. Taking a quick snapshot of our results, the College increased its ranking to 134, had four students on the NESA Top Performer List, including one who placed first, had two students on the NESA All Round List and the Dux of the College achieved an ATAR of 98.90.



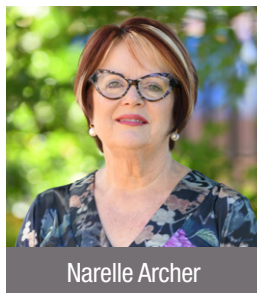
MARY MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE WAKELEY



Bottom Row: Daniella, Mary, Natalia (College Captain) Mrs Harding (Assistant Principal) Ms Pussich (Principal) Mr Andrejev (Leader of Wellbeing) Josette (Vice-Captain), Hayley, Rita. Back Row: Annie, Mariam, Emily, Chantelle, Sarina, Tina, Kardina, Gladys, Alyssa.

2023 Student Leaders

Mount St Joseph Catholic College Milperra



About the Principal

Narelle Archer is in her sixth year as principal of Mount St Joseph Milperra. She has held several leadership positions in Sydney Catholic Schools; including curriculum support in head office. Her previous principalship was in another Josephite Girls School. Narelle has a strong commitment to the Charism of the Sisters of St Joseph.

About the School

Mount St Joseph Milperra was started by the Sisters of St Joseph in 1960 and was the first secondary girls school established by the order. It provides a quality Catholic education for girls combining pastoral care with academic excellence. Josephite values and charism influence extra-curricular life. The strong history of academic excellence is achieved through the support of a strong and respectful community where student gifts can be nurtured. This growth is nourished through inclusion, empowerment and living out the Josephite Charism.

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Student Leadership at Mount St Joseph Milperra

Being a girls College, Mount St Joseph (MSJ) offers many chances for leadership; hence building the leadership and confidence of a large number of young women as they go forward to lead in other forums across the world.

Our four Senior Leaders come from year 12 and comprise the College Captain, the Social Justice Captain and two Vice Captains. These four lead another forty two students who hold positions of House Captains and Vice Captains (Years 11 and 12), as well as a team of House Representatives for the Student Representative Council across Years 8, 9 and 10.

The Student Leaders across all year groups are responsible for organising social justice events and

fundraisers for charity as well as the important work of ensuring cohesiveness, respectful behaviours and House spirit across the College. Their autonomy in this is valued by the community and they work comfortably with the Staff Leadership Team to refine their processes and ideas.

Many of these ideas have grown from collaboration with student leaders from other Josephite schools from across Australia and New Zealand. These students meet face to face on an annual basis for formation by the sisters of St Joseph and sharing of initiatives; thus ensuring the outreach and values of the Sisters of St Joseph are a focus for all of their schools. These young women are fully prepared to confidently work for justice in a future global community

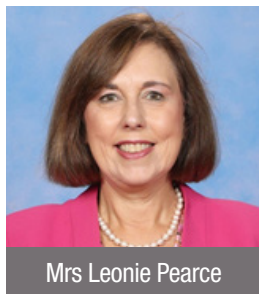
Mount St Joseph



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CATHOLIC COLLEGE BURRANEER



Mrs Leonie Pearce

About the Principal

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic College Burraneer (Cronulla) is set to begin its next and most exciting step along the journey. Having celebrated 85 Years of Catholic education in the Mercy tradition last year, 2024 will mark the introduction of Year 11 and Year 12 students in 2025 to the College.



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From Left to right, Mrs Leonie Pearce (Principal), Candy Wong, Sofia von der hoht, Amelia Baillon

Specialising in girls' education

Our Lady of Mercy College, located in Cronulla, is the only Catholic school specialising in girls' education in the Sutherland Shire underpinned by the tradition and values of the Mercy Charism. A College inspiring excellence in learning; where each learner with agency, engages in a personalised pathway, with opportunities to connect to industry, tertiary and outside agencies promoting real world experiences, developing the skills of autonomous learners.

Students become confident lifelong learners grounded in an innovative, future focused curriculum, fostering deep learning so that as empowered women, they will contribute to the common good, address global challenges and flourish in a complex world.

The College vision 'Encouraging Girls - Empowering Women' is realised through dynamic teaching and personalised learning. OLMC maintains a supportive learning environment, tailored to developing each students' intellectual, social, physical, spiritual and emo-

tional potential. The College values academic excellence, recently being recognised in the top 50 schools in Sydney for NAPLAN. We also specialise in Gifted Education, through the Newman Program, STEM, with its focus on girls' learning in Science, Mathematics and Technology, is actively embraced. Our learning spaces offer contemporary, innovative, state of the art facilities where students engage in diverse and collaborative experiences. Our Performing Arts Centre caters for Drama, Music and Dance as well as PDHPE.

Our students are challenged to live the Mercy values of compassion, justice and hospitality each day. Retreats and reflection days focus on spirituality and promote a vibrant and meaningful liturgical life. Vertical home-rooms promote friendly and respectful relationships, with older students encouraged to take leadership in Peer Support and Pastoral Care programs. As well as their Year group, all girls belong to a house connected to our Mercy tradition.

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Ms Vivienne Awad

About the Principal

Ms Vivienne Awad, appointed as Principal in 2023, was previously at Domremy College from 2012 to 2020, Deputy Principal at Loreto Kirribilli from 2009 to 2011 and Deputy Principal at Bethany College from 2000 to 2008.

Ms Awad also works mentoring Principals and Teachers in the area of School Design

About the School

We are a community proud of our inclusive and nurturing environment where young women are encouraged to be brave and confidently push themselves beyond their limits in and out of the classroom. Our young women are not afraid to take risks and grow from their experiences and adventures.

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A community of heart people

At OLSH we are committed to taking an evidence-based approach and understanding of the latest innovations across a number of fields, how they are interrelated, and how they will work in the academic systems and operations of the College. Our learning focus is mastery-based and built around celebrating the strengths of the whole person.

Through learning innovation, we hope to prepare young women to be active citizens of the world. We aim to be innovative by working within the entrepreneurial space to develop learning partnerships and pathways that build enterprise skills such as critical thinking, creativity, problem-solving, financial and digital literacy, communication & teamwork.

The College focuses its pedagogy on the development of the six global capabilities that aim to create students who have developed the skill set to protect themselves against social and emotional difficulties. The goal for all young women at OLSH is that they are Heart people who;

Are Faith-Filled and hope for a future where they enhance their lives and make a difference in the lives

of the people in their families, friendship groups and the wider community;

Revere Relationships with teachers and peers and understand that every interaction is an opportunity to demonstrate gratitude and make a difference in the lives of others;

Pursue Excellence and set high expectations for themselves and others. They understand that learning requires integrity, courage and taking appropriate risks in order to succeed and grow;

Touch the Hearts of Others by displaying empathy and compassion in our everyday interactions will all members of the College community.

An OLSH graduate is a lifelong member of a faith based community that strives to embody heart spirituality. Beyond school life, they are prepared to take risks, be resilient to challenges and be empathetic to the needs of others. The OLSH graduate is a young woman who lives the values of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in every aspect of her life and embraces the fact that learning is a lifelong process. They are heart people, women of simplicity and are leaders who are prepared to make a difference.



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SYDNEY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SPORT LEADERS

Sydney Catholic Schools trains new generation of general sports officers

With diminishing numbers of athletics officials available to conduct schools athletics carnivals, Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS) has taken a proactive approach by training 22 General Sports officers to conduct them.

Athletics carnivals are a key aspect of sport in schools and officials are essential to their smooth operation.

The initiative will ensure school events are conducted in compliance with the rules and regulations set by the International Athletics Federation.

The training was conducted by Barry Pecar, a seasoned athletics official with more than three decades of experience. Mr Pecar welcomed the enthusiasm and willingness shown by participants in learning the technicalities and intricacies of of-

ficiating athletics events. He believes that the dedication of the newly trained officials will ensure quality experiences for the children who participate in the events.

The shortage of athletics officials has become a concern for schools and sporting organisations worldwide.

It became more pronounced during the COVID-19 pandemic as many officials retired or stepped back from their roles due to health concerns. The lack has even led to the cancellation or postponement of several sporting events, causing disappointment for athletes and spectators alike.

SCS's initiative is a step towards addressing this challenge, with Mr Pecar saying he hoped it would serve as a model for other schools and organisations to follow.

He also hopes that engaging young people in offici-

ating athletics events will help apprentice a new generation of officials who can take over when current officials retire or step down.

The training covered topics such as starting and finishing procedures, track and field events, and rules and regulations of athletics events. Participants were also taught about safety protocols and procedures to ensure that events are conducted as safe and securely as possible.

The success of the program is encouraging, with SCS planning to conduct similar programs in the future to ensure that the school athletics events are conducted consistently with international standards.

With the Brisbane Olympics scheduled for 2032, the need for trained officials will be even greater.



The art of tackling: students practice tackling skills during a session at the Elite Rugby 7s Academy Camp. PHOTOS: SUPPLIED



SYDNEY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SPORTS

Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS) has taken a proactive approach by training 22 General Sports officers. PHOTO: UNSPLASH

Patrician Brothers College Fairfield



About the Principal

Mr Wade has been Principal in three Catholic schools and has been committed to leading learning for the past 44 years. He was recognised in 2015 for his Outstanding Contribution to Education at the Asian Education Leadership Awards in Dubai. Our College is a welcoming and culturally diverse Catholic school that lifts young men up to soar above the expectations of their community. We provide our students the right environment to foster their inspiration and passions, building on their interests.

School profile

Patrician Brothers' College Fairfield is a systemic Catholic School for boys from Year 7 to Year 12 with an enrolment of over 1150 students. In our inclusive supportive and safe environment, students are challenged to broaden their horizons and become resilient learners, aspiring to achieve their personal bests. Continuous professional development of highly-qualified and approachable staff is key to developing well-rounded students, who are respectful and respected. By knowing their students individually, our expert teachers are able to reach students through tailored learning effective to their needs and learning styles.

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The Shoulders of Giants

From humble beginnings in 1953, Patrician Brothers College Fairfield (PBCF), has remained true to providing a Christ-centred education for all, emphasising Christ in all hearts. This year, the student leaders chose the theme: Let the Teachings of Yesterday create the Men of Tomorrow, inspired by *Hebrews 13:8*, emphasising the importance of embracing the timeless teachings of Christ, to equip the men of tomorrow to create a brighter future for all.

At PBCF, servant leadership is recognised as a fundamental aspect of the Patrician legacy. Through leadership programs including Class Captains, Mission Team, Student Council and Peer Mentoring, the College opens opportunities for students to become effective leaders, a testament to the school's commitment to excellence in education and leadership. Our current student leaders are inspired

by the Patrician Brothers, who modelled 70 years of servant leadership at PBCF. College Captain, Kareem Jarboue stated, "In creating our 2023 theme, we reflected on our predecessors, our Patrician Brothers' and Old Boys, the giants on whose shoulders we stand. Today, we recognize that we stand on their shoulders and we aspire to continue their legacy and be the foundation on which future generations can build."

As PBCF celebrates its 70th Anniversary, we recognise the privilege of sharing in the Patrician mission of bringing faith, education and hope to young people. We maintain our commitment to that mission today in Western Sydney and continue to develop leaders who embrace the Patrician tradition of service and recognition of Christ in all hearts and minds.

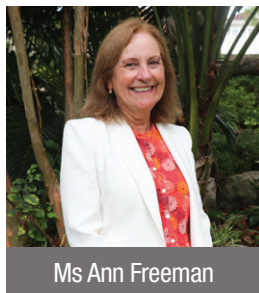


2023 Student Leadership Team

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St Clare's College Waverley



Ms Ann Freeman

About the Principal

Ms Ann Freeman is an experienced educator with a passion for Catholic girls' education. She leads the College by example, warmly encouraging our students to challenge themselves and give things a go, without fear of failure.

School profile

Rich in history, St Clare's College was established in 1884. We honour our Catholic heritage and the teachings of St Clare and St Francis of Assisi. This is complemented by a holistic and future-focused curriculum that equips our students to become confident, resilient young women. As a College, it is our privilege to prepare students for the challenges and opportunities that await them beyond the school gates. The College educates girls from Years 7 to 12.

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'Cast your Stone, Create the Ripple'

Each year, the St Clare's College Year 12 student leaders create a theme that will guide the student community. The 2023 theme is: **'Cast Your Stone, Create the Ripple'**, inspired by Mother Theresa, who said "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples".

This theme encourages our community to achieve their personal best, while honouring the unique potential and strengths of every young woman at St Clare's College. Each student is encouraged and supported by the College to connect with her academic passions and interests. Our students benefit from a personalised learning program, delivered in a positive environment that inspires excellence and fosters leadership.

Isabella Sheffield, College Captain, outlines her leadership goals for 2023, underpinned by our student theme: "As College Captain, I will strive to encourage every girl to cast their stone and embrace them on their journey as they create ripples, ultimately leaving a legacy beyond our time. I believe that everyone has the ability to evoke change through their actions; no matter the size of the ripple.

"As a leadership team we will endeavour to in-

spire each girl to take action and to therefore cast their own unique stone. We believe that this can be achieved through social justice, sparking new innovations and the close-knit sisterhood that is at the heart of our community and inspired by our Franciscan heritage."

As a community we embrace Franciscan values, utilising the guidance of both Christ and St Clare. We aim to empower resilient, respectful and responsible young women to reach their potential. This is achieved through a holistic approach to learning.

Skills of critical thinking, collaboration, inquiry, communication, reasoning, problem-solving and creativity are integral to all that we do. Our College motto, "Deus meus et omnia" (My God in all things) is realised through dynamic teaching and learning, giving each girl the opportunity for independent thinking and self-discipline.

A St Clare's girl thrives in the welcoming and inclusive culture of our College. Immersed in a positive, future-focused environment, she will be equipped to take ownership of her learning journey, and will be prepared for the challenges and opportunities that her future holds.



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St John Bosco College



Mrs Fowler

About the Principal

Mrs Fowler has a love of learning and working with young people. Throughout her career in teaching and leading secondary schools she has exhibited a commitment to delivering innovative and creative learning experiences, while placing the students' interest at the centre of every aspect of college life.

School profile

St John Bosco is a Yr 7-12 co-educational college, operating in the Salesian tradition that focuses on broad educational excellence in a caring environment. Outstanding HSC results and a successful transition to post-school opportunities are features of the vibrant learning environment that offers students a full range of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

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Forming the whole person

We are honoured to be the School Captains of St John Bosco College for 2023, working alongside our dedicated Student Leadership Team to lead team Bosco with excitement and enthusiasm while constantly encompassing our school motto of **"Gaudium et Spes" (Joy and Hope)**.

We strive to be an approachable body of individuals, working towards developing and maintaining the College Salesian vision of being:

- A home that welcomes;
- A parish that evangelises;
- A school that prepares for life;
- A playground where friends meet and enjoy themselves.

At the college, we are committed and driven by student voice and value the opinion of all students, so that every student can become the best version of themselves, reaching their full potential in a fun and supportive environment. As a team, we are devoted towards maintaining the rich legacy of the college, while continuing to develop and grow Team Bosco as we

"Become Better Together" in 2023. In support of these fundamental values is the 2023 College theme of **'Connect'**, as introduced each year by our College Principal, Mrs Jenny Fowler. **'Connect'** invites both students and staff to further build a strong connection to college life through learning new skills, building relationships and further connecting to individual studies.

The 2023 Student Leadership Team has also taken the initiative to establish our own theme for our final year at the college. **'Becoming Better Together'** involves working and participating as a collective unit and implementing these values as an aspect of everyday school life. As members of team Bosco, "becoming better together" allows us to integrate relationships into everyday life amongst students and staff to further encourage learning and growth within the Bosco community.

It is with great honour, pride, excitement and gratitude that we undertake the role of College Captains bestowed upon us, and look forward to creating experiences, opportunities and memories that leadership at St John Bosco College will bring us.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM



St John Bosco
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ENGADINE



College Captains: Tayla Campbell & Liam Blair
Vice Captains: Gracey Bridges & Owen Burgher
Social Justice Leaders: Sienna Robertson & Felix Christmann
Community Service Leaders: Annabelle Sinclair & Lyla Smart
Chisholm House Captains: Olivia Marrum & Patrick Caruana
Dunlea House Captains: Isabella Massey & Ben Flanagan
Mackillop House Captains: Jaime Beaufils & Matthew Steele
Savio House Captains: Hayley Denneen & Samuel Patton

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St Mary's Cathedral College Sydney



About the Principal

Named one of Australia's most influential educators, Kerrie McDiarmid is a highly gifted educator of colleagues and students. Kerrie is an exceptional curriculum leader with an outstanding understanding of pedagogy and the development of teacher capacity.

School profile

St Mary's Cathedral College is a boys' College in the heart of the city adjacent to the Cathedral, with over 800 students in Years 3-12. Founded in 1824, it is the oldest Catholic College in the Archdiocese of Sydney and its heritage reflects a rich tapestry of Catholic faith, tradition, and educational excellence.

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Lead with Courage, Illuminated by Faith, Be a Light for the Ages

Educating students for the unknown is an exciting and necessary challenge. At a time where knowledge is exploding at an exponential rate, our aim is to give students the skills to apply their knowledge and understanding to ever changing circumstances inside and outside the classroom.

St Mary's are committed to an approach that moves beyond surface learning, getting through the content or covering the course. We must adopt a learning focus that allows students to apply their in-school learning to real and authentic situations as independent leaders and creative, critical learners.

We want our students to understand themselves as learners and the processes of their learning. This type of focus requires an emphasis on deep reflection as students work in a variety of contexts on a learning pathway that reflects and builds upon their strengths. Students engage in a comprehensive, collaborative and innovative curriculum that incorporates both a core curriculum and an integrated approach to learning. Academic, pastoral and ethical values come together to form learning experiences that challenge our students to ask deep questions, consider a diverse range of ideas, and develop their moral character to be leaders for their communities beyond the classroom.

St Mary's Cathedral College Principal, Kerrie McDiarmid comments, "Never before has it been more important for us to teach our young people how to act with civic intention rather than selfish intent. We want our students to develop an appreciation for the world in which they live, to develop an understanding of the contribution they can make to it and take action to make a positive difference."

The college values the voice of our students as active stakeholders in the college community, and student leadership plays an integral role in the life of the college, providing aspiring leaders to contribute in a meaningful way to the development of our community.

College Captain, Tahi Sue comments, "Our student leadership positions are highly valued at the college and allow for student voice to play an important role in the functioning of the college. Together with the senior prefect body we have implemented a number of initiatives, including a whole-school mentor program, which sees a student leader allocated to each year group, to ensure we are present and have a positive impact amongst all students to influence, motivate, and guide them to become the best cathedral students possible."



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Bosco's Indigenous students leading the way



Left to right centre, Tahlia Robertson, Sienna Robertson, Tayla Campbell, Isaac Dawson

St John Bosco College Engadine's Student Leadership team for 2023 proudly features four students that are of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage.

The four students, who were chosen by their peers for their exemplary conduct and attitude within the school community, received their badges at a ceremony in front of an audience that included Jane Bridges OAM, Supervisor for Student Wellbeing Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander at Sydney Catholic Schools.

The four students are:

- Tayla Campbell, a proud Aboriginal person – College Captain

- Sienna Robertson, a proud Whadjuk/Noonygar (Noongar) – Year 12 Leader
- Tahlia Robertson, a proud Whadjuk/Noonygar (Noongar) – Year 11 Leader
- Isaac Dawson, a proud Wiradjuri – Year 10 Leader

• The quartet's election into the Student Leadership Team represents a proud milestone for the college and comes after it became the first Catholic school in the Sutherland Shire to introduce a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) last year.

Natasha Dalton-Hughes, St John Bosco College Engadine's Indigenous Coordinator, said seeing the students badged was

a proud moment for all. "The four students have demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities and they are all fully deserving of this recognition," Mrs Dalton-Hughes said.

"Many of them have engaged in different cultural events and mentoring opportunities within the school, as well as with the local community and Aboriginal elders for a long time."

"We have 37 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at the school and for them to be able to see their peers in leadership positions will inspire them to fulfil their potential and to aspire to something similar," Mrs Dalton-Hughes said.

In 2022, St John Bosco College Engadine launched its first RAP to formalise the college's commitment towards reconciliation in and around the school and within its local community.

Jenny Fowler, Principal at St John Bosco College Engadine, said she was looking forward to seeing the four student leaders continuing to build on the college's commitment to building relationships and working with the local communities.

"Our four Aboriginal students are all role models for our younger Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students as they show them that through their passion and pride in education, culture

and leadership, opportunities arise where they can make a difference in their community in a powerful way," Mrs Fowler said.

The college has a number of frameworks in place that help build sustainable, transformational relationships including RAP working party meetings each term.

This year, the college's commitment to learning more about First Nations histories, cultures, languages will also see all staff undertake a Cultural Competency course, while all students will be contributing to a large college artwork under the guidance of two Aboriginal artists.



2023 Student Leadership Team

Trinity Catholic College Auburn



Mr Rick Grech

School profile

At Trinity Catholic College our vision is to be a genuinely Catholic Community of parents, students, teachers and parishes working in partnership to ensure that our students are safe, happy, well taught and learn to know and love Jesus.

About the school

Trinity Catholic College is a proud school in the Marist tradition with a strong focus on Catholic values and excellent academic results. It's our intention that all students are engaged, resourceful and disciplined. The quality care we provide begins with our dual campus environment. With a specialist middle school campus, we ensure a happy and safe transition to high school. Selective and extension classes provide opportunities for our students to succeed.

School details

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Safe, happy and fulfilled students

As college captains, we have been working towards rebuilding the strength within our community, promoting the active participation of students in embodying the Trinity way.

As we begin our leadership journey, we look up to the values of Marcellin to guide us in all that we do; to manifest presence, simplicity, love of work, family spirit and the way of Mary. We understand that our role as college leaders is not to dictate what others do, but rather enliven the voices of fellow Trinity students, creating opportunities for them to speak up.

We have already had the pleasure of doing so through promoting community engagement in Lenten fundraisers and appeals, allowing students

to recognise their capacity to show compassion, charity and humility. Our student representative council is composed of several distinct teams.

Our college and vice captains, academic life, college culture, religious life, the arts and house captains teams, all have unique roles and responsibilities to ensure each domain is supported and contributed to equally, as we recognise the various aspects, skills and talents which make up our Trinity cohort and understand the importance of both creativity and academic intellect.

As the year progresses, we also hope to develop as both students, leaders and children of God and hope to devote our time towards serving the community just as Jesus did.



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PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Catholic schools as centres of spiritual growth

By Michael Kenny



Archbishop Fisher speaks to students as he tours Sacred Heart primary school Matraville PHOTOS: GIOVANNI PORTELLI

At a Mass for Beginning Teachers for Sydney Catholic Schools in March, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP reflected at length on the unique mission of Catholic schools in his homily.

“Parents no longer enrol their kids out of mere tribal loyalty as Catholics; they want to see academic results, not just high sounding spiritual or pastoral rhetoric. Justice to our students demands attention to learning gain and academic excellence, but so do enrolment numbers”, he explained.

“Yet Catholic schools are called to more than simple test scores and

market share. Together with academic formation they must be places of moral conversion; as much as intellectual development, they seek spiritual growth”.

“The animating principle of daily life of the Catholic school must be belief in the person and Gospel of Jesus Christ or else it is dead”, Archbishop Fisher emphasised.

“All the virtues must be cultivated in staff and students, especially faith, hope and charity, or else it is a fraud. A deeper wisdom must be sought about the meaning of God,

the universe and ourselves, or else it is a failure. Much of this doesn’t track easily on a website. Yet children are entrusted to us precisely so that we might attend to and form the whole person”, he added.

This inherent mission of the Catholic school to cultivate Gospel values in its students is clearly being lived out across our Catholic schools in Sydney with many achievements highlighted in this *Catholic School Leaders supplement*.

One tangible way this is occurring each day across the wide network

of primary schools in the Sydney Catholic Schools’ network is through the family educator program.

Family educators, who are often school parents engaged in the local parish community are responsible for helping to connect families with the religious life of the school and the parish, and promoting the Catholic mission and identity of the primary school.

Their work proved to be particularly beneficial during the COVID-19 pandemic when both parishes and schools had to put face-to-face in-

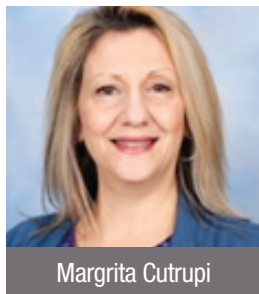
teraction on hold and the family educators helped lead prayer and catechesis to help keep families connected to their Catholic school and parish during the challenges of lockdowns.

Central to this work is what Archbishop Fisher captured well as he spoke with staff and students at the opening Mass for the new Sacred Heart Primary School in Matraville- “Transmit faith in Christ to your families, parishes, school and community...Be the Heart of Jesus to each other”.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary Earlowood



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
Catholic Primary School Earlowood



About the Principal

As a former student of our Lady of Lourdes, there is no greater privilege than leading this vibrant and culturally diverse Catholic community. I bring my deep faith, energy and commitment to the role of principal at OLOL and work together with Staff, Parents and Parish Priest, Father Patrick, to ensure that each child is nurtured and inspired to know and love Christ through learning.

Our School Mission

Loving - Celebrating being Catholic in our parish school

We celebrate being Catholic in our parish school by bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to the school community.

Learning - Ensuring high-quality teaching and learning

We ensure high-quality teaching and learning and promote the achievement and development of 'personal best' for each individual.

Living - Making a difference in our world

We make a difference in our world by equipping our children with knowledge and skills for a hope-filled future. We promote an active partnership between home, parish, school and community.

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100 Years of Mercy Education

From its humble beginnings in a garage back in 1923 and with only 23 students enrolled, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School has since grown into a vibrant and inclusive Catholic community that is driven by a strong belief that every student is capable of successful learning. Over the years, the school has enjoyed building developments and refurbishments creating what is today a very contemporary and well-resourced primary school with school enrolments reaching 360 students... and growing.

This year, our school celebrates 100 years of Mercy education. As a faith-filled community, we will have the opportunity to reflect on our School's journey and achievements during its first 100 years and continue to embrace the charism of the Sisters of Mercy as we look to the future and the exciting plans ahead.

The ethos of the school is built around high expectations and an ongoing commitment to excellence. Guid-

ed by our learning principles, *Challenge, Collaborate, Create, Share and Persevere*, our students benefit from engaging in a broad range of learning experiences that nurture their potential to succeed. Parents and families are valued as partners in student learning, and parents, school leaders and teachers work together in mutually supportive ways.

As a Newman Selective Gifted Education Program School, we have a highly trained expert team of teachers who strive to know and understand each learner and cater to their needs, in a safe and secure environment. Differentiation is a priority of the school and a feature of every teacher's practice so that all students are optimally engaged and challenged and supported.

One hundred years on, we are still proud of our deep connection with the Sisters of Mercy and continue to be inspired by the legacy and vision created by Catherine McAuley.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES
Catholic Primary School Earlwood

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At Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School Earlwood we nurture every student's potential to succeed. This is achieved by setting high standards as embodied in our learning principles of challenge, collaborate, create and recreate, persevere and share.

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St Brigid's Catholic Primary Marrickville



Mrs Antonella Mazzucco

About the Principal

Antonella leads with a strong focus on the spiritual, academic, social and physical development of all students. As principal of the school, she is passionate about developing students who are motivated, self-directed learners who thrive under the guidance of passionate and energetic teachers. Antonella is committed to living our school motto: 'Alive in Christ' through a focus on school values. The values of respect, love, peace, justice & compassion.

School profile

St Brigid's Catholic Primary School is a Catholic systemic Co-educational School located in Marrickville. St Brigid's was first established in 1897 by the Good Samaritan sisters and supported by the Passionist community. The charisms of the Good Samaritan order and the Passionists combined with the values of St Brigid, our patron saint, are the basis for the school's mission and vision statements.

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St Brigid's Primary School, Marrickville, is a K-6 co-educational Catholic Primary School that was established in 1887 by the Good Samaritan Sisters. The school exists to meet the educational needs and support the faith development of primary-aged children in Marrickville. We strive to sustain the ongoing development of the whole person by collaboratively supporting academic, emotional, physical, social and spiritual wellbeing. The school is known for its genuine sense of community and attention to the development of the whole student. St Brigid's shares a strong connection with the Passionate Priests of St Brigid's Parish and the feeder school, Casimir College, Marrickville, a co-educational high school, located next door.

Student leadership is strongly valued at St Brigid's Primary School. The student leaders roles support our school principles and values of our school, with in addition to School Captains, Vice Captains and Sports Captains, we have highly valued roles of

Leaders of Learning, Leaders of Faith and Leaders of our World. Leadership opportunities are offered early through access to the Mini-Vinnies program which focuses on the teachings of Jesus Christ and the application of Catholic Social Teaching. Initiatives include the St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal and Project Compassion. Year Six lead sports competitions, learning competitions and faith opportunities across the school. Leaders are also assigned to a year group and work as leaders in classrooms across the school. We encourage all children to step into leadership initiatives and activities that we as a leadership team offer to all students including The Pope Francis Award, Altar Serving, the Buddy Program, and Public Speaking. Year Six leaders will also in 2023 be involved in Principal for a Day Program, where they will experience leading the school for a day alongside the school Principal. Leaders at St Brigid's excel at living our school motto: 'Alive in Christ.'

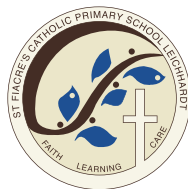
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St Fiacre's Catholic Primary Leichhardt



Mrs Catherine Cameron

About the Principal

It is with a deep passion for learning and faith in our Lord, that Principal Catherine Cameron leads our small school, striving every day to ensure that learning at St Fiacre's is always innovative, inspired and faith-filled. St Fiacre's is a school built on the foundations of three charisms - the Josephites, the Franciscans, and its namesake St Fiacre. A place where students learn across the stage, spanning beyond the confines of their grade level, where thinking is visible, valued actively and encouraged for every student.

School profile

St Fiacre's Catholic Primary School is a small, nurturing community established by the Sisters of St Joseph in 1886. Our Josephite and Franciscan traditions support our school values. Located in the heart of Inner West Sydney, our sense of community and welcome are prominent features of our school.

School details

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Student leadership team: Back: Liam Richards, Sage Burke, Natasa Radovancevic, Piper Shute, Melenah-Leigh Taylor, Suki Winning
Front: Iris Cipriano, Olivier Bove, Allegra Thompson, Aaron Jobin.

Every student is known and understood

St Fiacre's Catholic Primary School is a one stream systemic school in the heart of Leichhardt catering for boys and girls from Kindergarten to Year 6. St Fiacre's is a small school where every student is known and understood.

It has a strong culture of encouraging students to be independent and confident thinkers. Passionate teachers use data to rigorously plan to make an impact on student learning outcomes. Students are provided with a variety of specialist learning opportunities in music, art and sport, all within spacious, flexible and innovative contemporary learning spaces to ignite the imagination of every student.

There is a strong culture of encouraging students to be independent and confident thinkers.

St Fiacre's has a generous outdoor space that is unique in the urban environment of Inner West Sydney. With a highly engaged parent community, there is a formula for providing excellent education for all.

MISSION STATEMENT

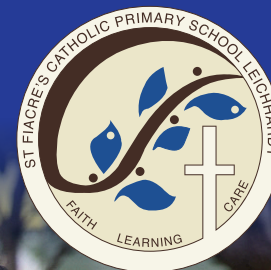
As a Christ-centered community, and in partnership with families and parish, we inspire and nurture our students to:

- ★ act with faith
- ★ serve with love and compassion
- ★ be stewards of God's creation
- ★ embrace a culture of thinking and learning in the spirit of our patron St Fiacre and founded on the Josephite and Franciscan charisms.

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St Joan of Arc Catholic Primary School Haberfield



About the Principal

As a passionate educator with a focus on seeing every child reach their full potential, it is a privilege to lead the fantastic community at St Joan of Arc. Ignited by our school motto, "forward with courage" I am inspired to bring together the rich history of this school with innovative practice that will lead our students into an exciting future.

Mission Statement

With the presence of Jesus alive in our hearts, St Joan of Arc Catholic Primary School Haberfield is committed to preparing students within the Catholic faith, under the guidance of St Joan of Arc and Nano Nagle, so they can effectively function and contribute to their global community.

School details

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A centre of excellence for all students

St Joan of Arc Catholic Primary School was opened in 1910 under the care of the Presentation Sisters from Wagga Wagga before transferring to lay leadership in the late 1980s.

The school takes its strength from the inspiration of two remarkable women in history. St Joan of Arc was a woman of outstanding courage who did not bow to the political pressure of her time and eventually died at the stake, a martyr for her country and her faith. Nano Nagle was an Irish woman who used her wealth to provide homes and schools for the homeless children of the city of Cork in Ireland.

After her father died and her funds dried up, Nano gathered a group of like-minded women around her and continued the work. The charisma of Nano Nagle is strong in our school with symbols

of the lamp of learning and the Nano Nagle icon prominent in the school.

It is this history that drives our community to ensure that St Joan of Arc is a centre of excellence for all students. Our small, close knit community ensures that each child is known and loved. Our strong focus on student wellbeing aims to allow students the opportunities to reach their full potential.

Starting the day with a healthy breakfast at our daily breakfast club, extra curricular activities that suit a range of interests, a strong support network for learning, opportunities for enrichment and challenge and an authentic approach to social justice means that the students at St Joan of Arc are happy and active citizens of our world.

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St John Vianney Primary School ACT



About the Principal

It is a privilege to lead a community of educators built on the strong foundations of the Sisters of Mercy. St John Vianney's is a welcoming school that centres itself around Gospel Values, nurturing every member of our community. Each child is valued for who they are and what they have to offer. We pride ourselves in being available for children and parents. When you enroll your child, we enroll your family.

School profile

Inspired by Jesus, our Community nurtures the heart, mind and spirit to accept all, achieve excellence and serve.

The values of St John Vianney's Catholic Primary School Waramanga are inclusivity, respect and community. We value diversity and strive to develop the potential of each person. The school, located in Waramanga, Canberra, achieves its mission by following the example of our Patron Saint, John Vianney. His life exemplifies the values of and commitment.

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Proudly small and inclusive

The school is situated on spacious and well-kept grounds featuring extensive and varied placing spaces for all students, says principal Peter Rodda. "Our school follows the example of our Patron Saint, John Vianney, striving to do ordinary things extraordinarily well. Children, regardless of their needs or faith background, are welcome and every effort is made to support all students and families in our school. We don't just enroll the child we enroll the family.

St John Vianney's is staffed by highly trained professionals who are committed to providing the best of Catholic education for children," he says.

"Our teaching approaches are evidence based and centered upon the key pedagogies of explicit and direct instruction. Staff are trained in the Science of Learning and use this knowledge, including their knowledge of Cognitive Load Theory, to inform their planning and selection of resources. We place significant emphasis on

literacy and numeracy as we believe these are important foundations for learning across all areas. At St John Vianney's we teach students to have a growth mindset and to recognise the importance of being a life-long learner.

"Our school is well resourced, with interactive LED boards in every classroom, and all year levels have access to their own iPad or Chromebook. Students at St John Vianney's participate in specialist classes in the Performing Arts, Italian, Library and Health programs. STEM is well supported at the school with specialist Design and Technology lessons, based around coding and creating multimedia productions.

"At St John Vianney's all students are provided with an individualised education and all community members are treated as family. All community members are known by staff because YOU are part of the SJV family. It is a very special place to belong to.

St John Vianney's Primary School - Waramanga ACT



Doing ordinary things extraordinarily well.

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St Patrick's Primary School Lithgow



Ms Renae Dunleavy

About the Principal

As Principal of St Patrick's School Lithgow it is my absolute pleasure to welcome you to our wonderful school. We are a whole school focused on quality student engagement and creating a safe, settled environment in which all students are nurtured, supported and set up for success.

School profile

St Patrick's School Lithgow, founded by the Sisters of St Joseph, is a co-educational Catholic Primary school located in Lithgow NSW. With a proud tradition and reputation within the local community, St Patrick's School prides itself on its high standards, ensuring a safe, settled environment where all students can achieve their very best. St Patrick's leads the way in terms of inclusive education and strives, in collaboration with families, to ensure that the needs of individual students are being met. With a strong focus on quality student engagement and wellbeing, St Patrick's School is the perfect place for your child to learn and grow.

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A whole school community focused on quality student engagement

St Patrick's School Lithgow is a co-educational Catholic Primary school located in Lithgow NSW in the Blue Mountains. St Patrick's is a two stream school catering for students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

Founded in 1880, St Patrick's boasts a proud tradition and reputation within the local community and continues to be immersed and inspired by the charisms of its founder St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. At St Patrick's, we are called and guided by the words of St Mary MacKillop "never see a need without doing something about it".

St Patrick's School focuses on the creation of a very safe and settled environment through the implementation of whole school strategies and routines that are designed to enhance quality student engagement and learning.

At St Patrick's we believe in setting our students up for learning success and that setting high standards across the school ensures that all students can achieve their very best.

St Patrick's is a leader in inclusive education and our diverse range of programs ensure that all students are

met at their point of need. With a strong focus on pastoral care and student wellbeing, St Patrick's School is a place where everyone is supported, nurtured and understood. We are a Grow Your Mind school and this program that focuses on mental-health awareness, is implemented from Kindergarten through to Year 6. St Patrick's values parents/carers as crucial contributors to our school and strive to work in partnership with parents and carers to achieve the very best outcomes for our students. We understand the importance of quality communication with parents and community.

At St Patrick's we value student voice and seek regular feedback from our students to inform decision making. Our student leaders are an important part of our school community and meet regularly with the Principal with the aim of planning special projects, fundraising, as well as engaging in discussion around how we can improve our school.

St Patrick's is a wonderful place for a child to learn and grow and we invite you to come and experience the St Pat's difference.

St Patrick's Primary School

A Catholic School founded by the Sisters of St Joseph



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St Pius' Catholic Primary Enmore



Mrs Caroline Boulis

About the Principal

As a Catholic educator, I am passionate about ensuring that our school provides an inclusive, holistic education for every student. We build our students' capacity to grow spiritually, academically, socially and emotionally to enable them to be confident learners today and inspirational leaders for tomorrow.

Mission Statement

As a community journeying in faith we do:

- SEARCH with our eyes wide open
- SERVE with humble hearts
- SOAR as ambassadors of Christ

About the School

At St Pius Catholic Primary School Enmore, we are committed to the development of a nurturing Catholic community of faith with the Gospel message of Jesus. We foster a love of learning by delivering a dynamic and challenging curriculum that develops creative, critical thinkers. Our students are taught to value and respect diversity within and beyond the school.

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Learners Today, Leaders Tomorrow

St Pius Catholic Primary School is a co-educational systemic school located in Enmore and is an integral part of Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish community. The school which was opened in 1907 by the Sisters of Mercy is surrounded by a rich tradition and history.

The Mercy values of hospitality, service, justice, excellence, stewardship, human dignity and spirit for the poor are embedded in our daily school and community life.

Our students are actively and passionately involved in a commitment to serving others within our school and the broader community. Each term our students, families and staff are involved in community outreach programs through cookie bake nights, collections of toiletry supplies and positive affirmation cards for people on the street and those

less fortunate than ourselves. Through this active service we live our daily lives in the footsteps of Jesus Christ and the Sisters of Mercy.

St Pius' Catholic Primary School is unique for an inner west school in that we have a variety of expansive modern indoor and outdoor learning spaces. Our classrooms are large enough to accommodate calm areas, reading corners and ample spaces for whole class, group work and independent learning. Our calm and cohesive student body is the result of current research based programs such as Peer Support, Buddy System and the new K-6 passive play playground. Student leadership is valued at St Pius' and all students have the opportunity to be involved in leadership initiatives and decisions. The students of St Pius' are indeed learners today and leaders tomorrow!



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Supporting every student to grow in faith and learning



With 80 great schools across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese serves one of the fastest growing areas of NSW. Whether it's through our highly successful trade training programs including at CathWest Innovation College, vocational education and training programs across 26 sites or our virtual school School of Now, CSPD is all about using innovation and new thinking to connect students with 'real world' opportunities.

CathWest Innovation College



About the Principal

Paul has worked in Catholic Education in the Parramatta Diocese for 35 years, with 2 decades in classroom and leadership and schools and more than a decade leading system initiatives in Mathematics and Science. He has a background in Engineering and is a passionate musician. He believes that education is a collaborative pursuit that actively works to bring the reality of the Kingdom of God to light.

School profile

Our campuses are in two convenient Western Sydney locations: Emu Plains and Mount Druitt. CathWest is proud to be part of Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese's system of 80 Catholic primary and secondary schools operating across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains providing more than 43,500 students with a high-quality, low fee Catholic education.

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CathWest Innovation College

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At CathWest Innovation College, we provide our students with new and different ways to learn.

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By combining study and training, we provide a tailored, relevant approach to learning to meet the needs and interests of each student. We put them in the driver's seat when it comes to their learning journey, empowering them to make informed decisions as adaptable, work-ready industry professionals.

Our students achieve because we teach them to believe in themselves the way we believe in them.

Choosing CathWest puts students in a position to fast track their career while finishing their HSC. By the time they graduate, many of our students have already set up their own businesses, achieved industry recognised credentials, and gained entry into university as part of our project-based learning model.

Our ongoing relationships with local businesses help our students to make important connections with employers while finishing their secondary education.

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St Paul's Catholic College Greystanes



Mr Paul Finneran

About the Principal

I have worked in Catholic education for thirty years and I am proud to be leading the St Pauls Catholic College community. Our aim is to educate our young men so that they live their lives with integrity and faith. We challenge our students to make the most of their God-given gifts and contribute as much as they can for the betterment of the community. It is our hope that by showing the face of Christ to all whom they meet, our young men will change a small part of the world for the better.

School profile

St Pauls is a secondary boys' school which continually strives to develop young men who will be global and active citizens and who contribute positively to the community. Our College motto, "Many Gifts - One Community" reflects not only our diversity, but our desire to celebrate the achievements of your young men and support them in sharing their gifts within a community that is safe, supportive, inclusive and affirming.

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'Many Gifts - One Community'

St Pauls Catholic College serves to educate young men so they may live their lives with integrity and faith while making the most of their individual gifts. It is this spirit of community and the ever-present willingness to support one another that is the essence of our wonderful College. We encourage our young men to be hard-working, courteous and to respect the rights of others.

We call on the teachings of St Paul, our patron and namesake, who challenged the early Christians to draw together different cultures, gifts and backgrounds into the one community. Hence our motto 'Many Gifts - One Community' signifies our commitment to developing in young men the strength and resolve to be humble, gentle, patient and tolerant while growing in faith, courage and hope. Our formation focus is that all members of the community will engage with the Catholic identity of the College authentically living out St. Paul's teachings that Christ came for all.

St Pauls has both a learning and formation focus. Our learning focus is that all learners will achieve their

potential through quality learning experiences across all areas of the College that build capacity in each individual to be committed, resilient and responsible for their future success. St Pauls creates a supportive and responsive environment for the education of young men. Our focus is on encouraging teamwork, participation and good sportsmanship.

We do this in a secure and caring environment that provides our students with a sense of enjoyment and achievement in their preparation for the future.

We welcome parents and community members to be involved in the College. The voice of parents and members of the College community is important to us, as we strongly believe that the growth of our school relies on collaboration with students, parents, and parish communities. Our community involvement also extends to our local parishes as well as the wider community. Our outreach programs seek to give our young men the opportunity to encounter and 'be the face of Christ' to those in our community who may be in need of support, encouragement or relationship.



St Pauls
Catholic College

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See what we offer
at St Pauls Catholic
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Many Gifts - One Community



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ALL NEW CSNSW SPORT UNIFORM RANGE



Paving the way for Leaders in sport



Catholic Schools NSW Sport is a representative pathway program for both Primary and Secondary Catholic School students. Representing NSW Combined Catholic Colleges (Secondary), MacKillop (Southern Primary) and Polding (Northern Primary), CSNSW Sport creates a pathway designed to encourage and empower future sporting leaders. We would also like to acknowledge leadership displayed by the educators within the Catholic system on a day-to-day basis who assist with our sports as without them we would not be able to run our representative pathways. Supporting students in diocese across NSW, CSNSW Sport strives to continue to empower our students and their formation, not only in representative sport but also

through espousing Catholic values and leadership.

“Teamwork, fair play and the pursuit of personal excellence are the values – in the religious sense, we can say virtues – that have guided commitment on the field. Yet these same values are urgently needed off the field, on all levels of our life as a community.” - *Pope Francis in 2017*

We look forward to our sporting students continuing to express their sporting talents and become leaders on and off the field. One of our rising sporting stars who is also a School leader and espousing Catholic values is Ella Briscoe, the school Vice Captain of St Patrick's College Sutherland. Briscoe's journey in sports has been nothing short of remarkable. Recently, she secured a coveted spot in the Sydney Thunder Squad for the Women's Big Bash League in cricket, at the young age of 17. She

had the honour of supporting Australia in the Women's Squad against India at North Sydney Oval. Additionally, she has been a valuable member of the NSW U19s Cricket team, solidifying her reputation as a rising star in the sport.

Not content with excelling in just one sport, Briscoe has also proven herself as a formidable basketball player. Her contributions to the SCS St Patrick's College Basketball Senior Girls Champion team have been invaluable, propelling the squad to victory. Playing sports at such a high level has undoubtedly shaped Briscoe's leadership skills and left an indelible mark on her character.

When asked about the impact of playing sports at a high level on her leadership at school, Briscoe shared, “I learned so much for the girls, the lifestyle, and the travel involved. I traveled with the Thunder

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Ella Briscoe, School Vice Captain at St Patrick's College Sutherland

on and off for a month, but still had to juggle school work and assessments. I had to plan a lot.” Despite the challenges, Ella managed to find a balance between her sporting endeavours and academic responsibilities, thanks to the unwavering sup-

port she received from St Patrick's College. Briscoe reflects on advice she would provide to her Year 7 self on leadership, “to be an example towards others, but allow them to be themselves and try to see their point of view too.”



BROKEN BAY

Catholic Schools Broken Bay

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Be your best self. Faith. Learning. Wellbeing.



We are Catholic Schools Broken Bay, a vibrant and enriching learning environment that spans the Central Coast, Sydney's Northern Beaches and the North Shore. Students are engaged, empowered and inspired to become their best selves. Our 44 schools all promote faith, learning, and wellbeing. We invite parents, caregivers, and students to discover a Catholic education delivered with care and compassion, available through our Kindergarten to Year 12 pathways.

St Peter's Catholic College



About the Principal

My vision for our students at St Peter's is that they progress through their schooling with an understanding and appreciation of the value of learning and an attitude that drives them towards excellence in everything they undertake.

School profile

The graduates of St Peter's are life-long learners who are committed to achieving their best in everything they do; they look to the future with optimism and are motivated and inspired to model Christ's teachings in their lives and make a difference in the world.

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Live the Faith

At St Peter's we have created an exciting centre of excellence in contemporary and innovative learning. Our students and teachers work in partnership each day to achieve learning goals focused on the skills necessary to be successful in today's society.

St Peter's Catholic College is committed to providing an education for each individual that is Christ centred and focused on forming young people in Catholic Discipleship. We inspire our students to "Live the Faith" by actively contributing to their communities, both at school and beyond, with an emphasis on our core values of Courage, Compassion and Commitment and founded on the recognition that, as Disciples of Christ, we are responsible for each other.

At St Peter's, learning is rich and exciting; it is at the heart of what we do. Students are provided with vast opportunities to be involved in learning activities that

suit their interests and abilities, including a wide range of co-curricular activities. All students are encouraged to use the gifts they have been given and to take the opportunities presented to them. We want our students to understand themselves as learners and to be constantly challenged in all that they do.

At St Peter's we: Form young people in Catholic discipleship; Provide challenging learning experiences that engage students in innovative and collaborative practices; Build authentic relationships which underpin a safe, caring and supportive community; Develop respect for self, others and the environment where dignity is paramount; Promote resilience and positive well-being; Pursue excellence and celebrate our successes; Provide outstanding education.

Commitment, Compassion, Courage



"Live the Faith"



At St Peter's we use

5 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

that inform and inspire us in our everyday tasks and interactions and always remind us how we

"LIVE THE FAITH"



PURPOSE HIGH

By Sydney Catholic Youth



The society in which we live today is unlike any other in human history. It is immersed in technological innovation, offering instant connectivity and a plethora of choices and experiences.

Whilst we can admit to the good that this has brought about in many spheres of human endeavour, it is also true that individuals are increasingly beset by questions for which they often-times have no adequate answer.

With this in mind, it is essential that the Church engage with the culture and provide a reasoned response that resonates in the human heart.

Purpose High provides students across Sydney with an opportunity to engage in discussions and forums on Purpose and Meaning, Love and Relationships, Liberal Arts and Leadership from the Catholic perspective. Organised and facilitated by the Archdiocesan

san youth team (Sydney Catholic Youth) Purpose High facilitates these sessions in a non-judgemental and informal environment as they seek to inspire and form a generation of influential young leaders, and to lead young people towards a deep relationship with Christ and His Church.

"I have had the pleasure of having the SCY team work with our students at Good Samaritan Catholic College.

The students loved the experience, with many of them staying back well after the end of the session to ask questions about their faith and other contemporary issues.

These questions were always answered with patience and love, and always provided students with a more informed understanding of Church teaching."

- Matthew Bradbury, Religious Education Coordinator - Good Samaritan Catholic College.

Using interactive games, testimony, discussions, Q and A, and the occasional Krispy Kreme Doughnut, the ministry continues to receive optimal engagement from students. School leadership and staff across Sydney have welcomed this program and testify to the success and engagement from the sessions.

"The SCY team provided students with a deeper understanding of their Catholic identity and equipped them with the tools to be authentic witnesses to the faith amidst the challenges of the contemporary world. They were fantastic in connecting with our students and building genuine friendships which facilitated deep encounters with God. We cannot

thank them enough for the transformative work they have done in our school and the work they continue to do."

- Marianne Daher, Youth Ministry Coordinator - Patrician Brothers' College, Fairfield.

"We have been thrilled with the quality of formation offered to our students by SCY. Their sessions are designed with teenagers in mind, and they have an ability to engage the students in topics that don't typically interest young people. It is Christ-centred and deeply formative. We cannot recommend highly enough."

- Colm McCaughan, Assistant Dean of Ministry - Rosebank College.

Identifying the need within Catholic education, PURPOSE High is also offering a Liberal Arts styled program for schools interested in introducing philosophy and theology in their students. With team members formally trained in the liberal arts, PURPOSE High offers the opportunity to open up ontology, teleology, the pursuit of happiness, Aristotelian understanding on ethics, virtue, form and matter, and unpacking topics like Aquinas's 5 Proofs for the existence of God.

To bring PURPOSE High to your school contact info@sydneycatholicyouth.org or call 0437863316

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To inspire and form a generation of faithful young leaders.



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Optimism - key to growing in faith and learning



*“Within these three simple words, *Lighting The Way*, we find the light that is the inspiration we receive from our loving God.” – **Peter Hill, Director of Schools***



As Catholic educators, we are naturally optimistic. Not only because of what we see each day in our students, but because of the hope we have in the good news of Jesus Christ. But our optimism doesn't mean we can't see opportunities to innovate and improve. In fact, the belief that every student is capable of improving in their learning while growing in their faith is at the very heart of our mission and moral purpose.

Achieving this mission demands our relentless determination and

a restless energy for continuous, lasting improvement because while change is inevitable, improvement is a choice.

Modern school education is highly complex and resources are finite. This demands a systematic approach to planning that begins first and foremost with being clear about our mission and purpose.

In 2023 Catholic Education Diocese of Wollongong launched its new strategic plan, *Lighting The Way 2023+*. Grounded in the wisdom of the Church, which contin-

ues to offer hope, life, and freedom to all that embrace it, *LTW2023+* encompasses five focus areas:

- Student Learning and Wellbeing;
- Formation in the Catholic Tradition;
- Belonging in a connected community;
- System support for the core work of teaching; and
- Ensuring Catholic schools continue to thrive.

Each focus area is the result of

deep listening to our students, teachers, families, clergy and other partners within the diocese. Each has been refined by extensive analysis, discernment and consultation, and informed by quality research. Together, they provide an outline of the priorities we see when we examine the contemporary challenges and opportunities before us. Through their outcomes, guiding direction and improvement indicators, they describe what our schools want to achieve, how we intend to build on our strengths and past

progress, and—importantly—how we'll know we're making a positive impact in the lives of our students.

As a community of Catholic schools, I am confident that guided by this plan we will continue to realise our mission, ensuring every student has the opportunity to encounter Jesus, to grow in their faith and learning, and to flourish in a safe environment where they are known, valued and loved as person and learner.

To view our plan for yourself, visit ltw.dow.catholic.edu.au

Magdalene Catholic College



David Cloran

About the Principal

Mr David Cloran joins the Magdalene Catholic College community in 2023 having spent over 20 years in various leadership positions in Catholic secondary schools in south-west Sydney. Mr Cloran is eager to build on the excellent record of academic success that the College has enjoyed in recent years, whilst remaining committed to strengthening its reputation as a Catholic college committed to the formation of the whole person.

School profile

Magdalene Catholic College provides a co-educational environment which has students at the centre. Our community is a place where lifelong holistic growth is valued by fostering high expectations, quality relationships and academic success for all. We develop courageous hearts and creative minds and we are committed to all of these aspects because, like our patron, Saint Mary Magdalene, we have "seen the Lord".

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School Leaders with principal David Cloran.

Forming the whole person

At Magdalene, there is a shared understanding of the inherent leadership responsibilities that come with being a Year 12 student at the College. As a Catholic College that is committed to the formation of the whole person, Magdalene provides numerous opportunities for all our students to exercise and develop their leadership skills for the betterment of themselves and both our College and broader community.

For a select group of students, this leadership role is formalised via their appointment to specific positions of student leadership. In 2023, our College leaders are Lily Sincek and Timothy Wilson (College Captains) and Stella Ryan and Marcus Attard (Vice Captains). These leaders are supported by an

outstanding team of peers who each have carriage of a particular portfolio and who are each keen advocates and voices for the student body.

In any given year, the College can expect over 40% of its senior cohort to be nominated for one of its senior leadership positions. Given both the interest and the quality of the applicants throughout this process, it is little wonder that as a College we are exceptionally proud of our senior cohorts.

When one considers the numerous challenges, false role models and mixed messages our society can present to youth, it is comforting to see so many Magdalene students and student leaders who are prepared to stand up and be committed to doing what is right and just.



MAGDALENE CATHOLIC COLLEGE



COURAGEOUS HEARTS, CREATIVE MINDS

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St Gregory's College Campbelltown



Matthew Brennan

About the Principal

As College Principal, I extend a warm invitation to you to visit us and see the diversity of academic, spiritual, cultural and personal development opportunities that the College provides. I am very proud of our Marist tradition of hospitality and how proud we are to be a part of this wonderful community.

School profile

From such humble beginnings, St Gregory's College is now a Kindergarten to Year 12 comprehensive College, with almost 400 students in the co-ed Junior School and 1000 boys in the Senior School. We provide a holistic education, where making Jesus known and loved at the centre of all we do, running the Primary Years Programme (IB Programme) in the Junior school and over 40 elective classes; traditional and VET related, in the Senior School, to ensure all learners needs are catered for and provides success for all. Our facilities are the envy of other schools, and our co-curricular program is wide and varied.

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You will reap what you sow

The College recently announced, in collaboration with the CEDOW and the Bishop's Office, the addition of a new stream to our Junior School, commencing in 2024. This is due to the College being unable to meet demand; being situated in the fastest growing LGA in Australia! As a result, plans for additional building works are well underway to complement the vibrant, already existing, facilities. The additions will include more general learning areas, some breakout learning areas, a new library and hall. Work will begin in earnest shortly.

In the Senior School, the multipurpose building is nearing completion. It houses state of the art Music and Food Technology facilities as well as a 200-seat theatre. This is due for completion for Semester 2, 2023. Additional upgrades are also in

the planning for the original part of the school to ensure that the facilities remain aligned to our contemporary pedagogy.

The College underwent major changes to its senior leadership in recent months. Mr Matthew Brennan began the role of College Principal in August 2022, after leading St Augustine's in Cairns as its first lay Principal in its 89-year history. Matthew is well known to the community after working previously as Director of Boarding and Deputy Headmaster. Mr Joel Weekes was appointed as Assistant Principal/Head of Senior School, Mrs Diana Ivancic as Head of Junior School and Mr Mark Gannon as Assistant Head of Junior School/PYP Coordinator joining the College from Trinity Grammar.



St Gregory's College

Campbelltown

St Gregory's College 2023 Junior School and Senior School Leaders.

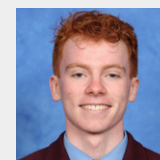
We congratulate our 2023 College Leaders.
Our model of Leadership is Servant Leadership.

We look to the future. We recognise and accept the responsibilities bestowed upon us as Leaders of our College, interpreting and responding to the need of others. We are servant Leaders.

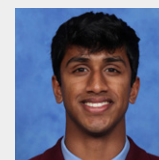
*"Let the greatest among you be the servant of all.
For whoever considers himself important will be humbled
and whoever humbles himself shall be esteemed."*

College Tours are available throughout the year for the Junior and Senior Schools. Boarding Tours are available for the Senior School. Bookings are essential. Please visit our College Tours page on our website. If you would like to learn more about what St Gregory's College can offer your child, please call our Enrolments Registrar on 02 4629 4151.

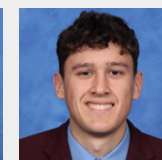
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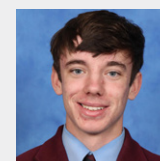
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College Captain



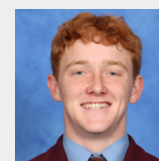
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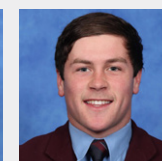
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Boarding Captain



Timothy Saunders
Marist Solidarity



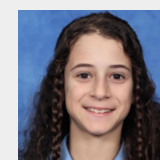
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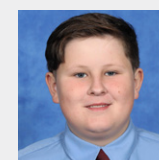
Heath Mason
First Nations Leader

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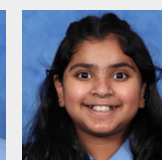
Junior School



Mikayla Faro
School Captain

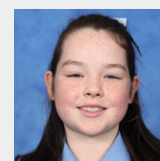


Lawson Sutton
School Captain

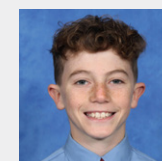


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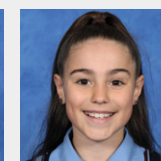
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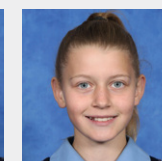
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St Joseph's Catholic High School Albion Park



Amanda Wilson

About the Principal

I am a passionate educator who has had the privilege and pleasure of leading the St Joseph's school community. We focus on the Emmaus paradigm of 'walking with' students and families on their secondary education journey. The school motto of 'Act justly' is central to all actions at St Joseph's. The focus on learning and wellbeing is paramount to our mission of being the 'face of God' to all members in our community.

School profile

The motto of the school is "Act Justly". Justice is a value we all seek, not only in society today, but in our own lives and our own hearts. St Joseph's Catholic High School is a faith based learning community, enriched by the Josephite charism where students and staff have high expectations and strive to reach their potential through respecting self, others, learning, and the environment.

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The Joey's Way

Our school began in 1982, with 144 students under the guidance of Principal Brother Murphy. Since then, St Joseph's and its students have grown to be a community of inclusivity, opportunity, and love. Governed by the school motto "Act Justly, Love tenderly, and walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8). St Joseph's is a place where ambitions and talents continue to be nurtured and a passion for learning fostered.

Recently, our school has experienced the re-emergence of a House system. The Houses encourage school spirit and involvement, whilst challenging students to collaborate to be the best that they can be. St Joseph's has a lot to offer, from academic clubs such as the science club, to a variety of arts clubs and constant sports events/trials. Our school also has two core programs: the Ignite Academic program which targets the use of higher-order thinking skills and participation in fun

projects and dissections. As well as the Elite Athlete program, which provides an environment for athletes to thrive through access to physios, sports psychologists, and strength/conditioning training. Leadership opportunities are also available across all year groups with our student representative council as our school aims to create future leaders and good people who will be ready to take on the world.

St Joseph's is a place where students' wellbeing is essential, creating an encouraging environment where every student feels valued and supported. The staff are extremely committed and always available for guidance or extra help in our studies. Likewise, the school has built an impressive network of teachers that care for their students and value the success and growth of everyone.

School Captains: Bailey Miller, Tayissa Buchanan



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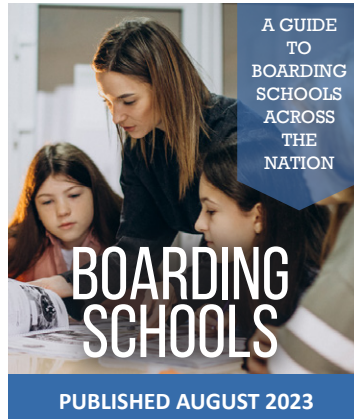
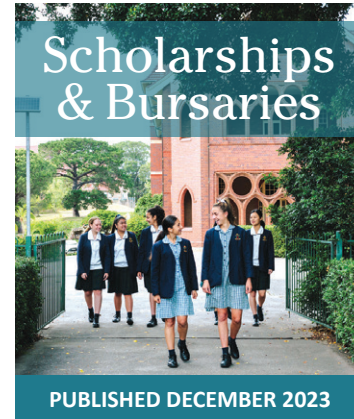
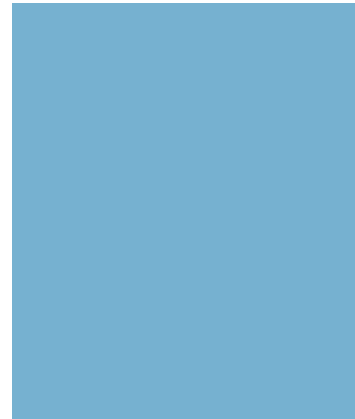
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A photograph of three young boys in school uniforms. The boy in the foreground is smiling broadly, showing his teeth. He has short brown hair and is wearing a dark suit jacket, a light blue shirt, and a striped tie. Behind him, two other boys are also smiling, though they are slightly out of focus. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees and a building.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham. PHOTO SUPPLIED

Living out the mission of Catholic education

By Michael Kenny

Like many religious orders engaged in Catholic education, Catholic schools have sought to live out the same mission

In an address at a major Vatican gathering last year, Pope Francis reminded members of a religious congregation with a proud history as a teaching order that Catholic schools should not be Christian in name only, but that Christian educators must first of all be witnesses to the Gospel, committed to making humanity grow according to Christ.

The pope was speaking at the 46th General Chapter of the De La Salle Brothers, a congregation which has had a profound impact on Catholic education in Australia over many generations and continues to do so with a number of Lassallian schools

featured in this *Catholic School Leaders* supplement.

Pope Francis reminded the Brothers that Christian teachers make a specific contribution to evangelisation since they have a responsibility to pass on Christian values to their students, “educating so as to move from a closed world to an open world; from a throw-away culture to a culture of care; from a culture of rejection to a culture of integration; from the pursuit of vested interests to the pursuit of the common good”.

Like many religious orders engaged in Catholic education, the De La Salle Brothers have sought to live

Many schools featured draw inspiration from saints who were committed to serving the disadvantaged and the poor

out this mission, encapsulated in a motto proudly displayed in many Lasallian schools- “Enter to learn,

leave to serve.’ Senior students in these schools are encouraged to engage in overseas immersion programs in disadvantaged countries, for example, in turn helping to nurture future lives of community service shaped by Gospel values.

This is similarly true of many of the secondary Catholic Schools featured in this *Catholic School Leaders* supplement. Mary MacKillop College in Wakeley in south-western Sydney, for example, draws inspiration from Australia’s first saint and her commitment to serving the disadvantaged through programs to support the homeless. Holy Cross College in Ryde and Patri-

cian Brothers College in Fairfield, for example, are both shaped by the founder of the Patrician Brothers, the 19th century Irish bishop, Daniel Delaney, who help lift generations of poor Catholics out of poverty while ensuring his schools always passed on firm foundations of the faith.

At the heart of all Catholic schools is a mission to transform lives through nurturing a pathway to Christ and as Pope Francis reminded the De La Salle Brothers, “by following him, by walking with him, our lives are transformed and we in turn become leaven, salt and light”.



Loreto Kirribilli. PHOTO SUPPLIED

Brigidine College St Ives



Laetitia Richmond

About the Principal

Ms Laetitia Richmond has been an educational leader for over 30 years in several Catholic schools and commenced at Brigidine College in 2020. She is passionate about the education of young women that fosters creativity, courage and individual strengths while nurturing students to work collaboratively, looking outwards to the world.

School profile

Brigidine College is a non-selective Catholic Independent school for girls from Year 7 to Year 12, proudly catering for students of all abilities and talents. The College offers a holistic education which combines the spiritual, academic, physical and cultural dimensions of learning and in doing so preparing our students for a lifetime of learning, leadership and purpose in our global community.

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Be You. Be Brigidine.

As a non-selective Catholic independent school, Brigidine College proudly caters for students of all abilities and talents. Framed by our motto, Fortiter et Suaviter, our students are challenged to be “Women of Strength, Women of Gentleness” where we encourage all our students to explore opportunities, relish in challenges and think beyond themselves. On a single-campus, the College has an optimum size of 900 students from Year 7 to Year 12, which is small enough to know all our girls yet large enough to offer a broad range of curriculum and cocurricular choices to ultimately discover their best selves.

Proudly a girls school, we see the uniqueness in every individual and shape their education in ways that fill them with a sense of purpose and success about their achievements. At Brigidine, every girl is welcome and every girl belongs. We make it a priority to know their differences, academic capabilities,

interests and challenges. We explore opportunities to structure a more personalised, relevant curriculum that meets their needs in the present yet is flexible enough to adapt to a changing world.

Brigidine girls not only enjoy equal opportunity, they enjoy every opportunity and participate fully in an environment where each young person can be themselves. Our students are challenged to take risks with their learning and extend themselves to acquire and assimilate knowledge, understanding and skills. They are encouraged to use resources effectively to enhance their learning, think critically about knowledge with its inherent real-life problems and be creative and reflective in their quest for solutions.

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Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham



Dr Michael Blowes

About the Principal

Appointed Principal of CBHS Lewisham in 2021
Master of Education and Bachelor of Arts, Diploma of
Education (Hons.)
Graduate Diploma of Religious Education
Graduate, Australian Institute of Company Directors
Doctorate in Education

School profile

CBHS Lewisham is a comprehensive and affordable independent Catholic school in the Inner West of Sydney, catering for boys in Years 5-12. Proudly one of the oldest Catholic schools in Sydney, CBHS Lewisham is a thoroughly modern and forward-looking place of learning. We are an inclusive community, with faith and our students firmly at the centre of all that we do.

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CBHS Lewisham primary and secondary leaders embody the values of Blessed Edmund Rice

Confident young men who strive for excellence

Enlivened by the gospel, Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham continues its impressive record of academic excellence and service to the community, developing confident, respectful young men who embody the values of the school founder, Blessed Edmund Rice. The 2023 primary and secondary student leaders are shining examples of such young men, drawing on the four Edmund Rice Touchstones of *Liberating Education*, *Justice and Solidarity*, *Inclusive Community*, and *Gospel Spirituality* to proudly lead the student body.

Spiritual growth is at the core of the CBHS Lewisham culture. All students are encouraged to strive for excellence and play a role within the wider community through social justice initiatives and assisting the disadvantaged. Students are fortunate to have Fr Jack Evans as School Chaplain, and student catechist numbers continue to grow in strength. The school is a low-fee independent Catholic school and the CBHS Bursary program demonstrates the school's

commitment to provide quality education for boys from across all socio-economic backgrounds.

Complementing the importance of the mission of service is the school's strong focus on academic excellence. Outstanding results from the 2022 HSC saw the school rank 9th in NSW among Catholic boys' schools. With two students placing in the top 1% of the state, 24 students gaining a 90+ ATAR, and 24 subjects with results above state average, CBHS Lewisham students are blessed to have skilled, dedicated teachers providing quality education and engaged learning. The Aquinas Selective Classes and Diverse Learning Centre ensure all students' academic needs are met: from Year 5 through to Year 12.

CBHS Lewisham is committed to developing young men who are able to take their place in society as confident, accomplished citizens, capable of making a positive contribution to the broader society.

CBHS Lewisham Bursary Program

BURSARIES ON OFFER

Waterford Bursary provides a discount on annual tuition and is open to families in lower income groups who wish to enrol their son into CBHS Lewisham.

Edmund Rice Bursary covers all annual tuition fees and learning supplies for families who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

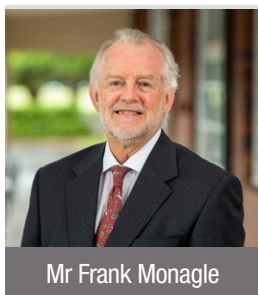
St Frances Bursary provides a discount on annual tuition and is open to families who hold a Refugee Visa.

Aquinas Senior Bursary (Entry Years 10 or 11) is open to academically achieving students currently not attending CBHS and who could not normally afford full tuition fees.



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About the Principal

Frank has been a teacher of Secondary Science, specialising in physics, for 45 years. During that time, he has also had a variety of roles. He was Housemaster at St Ignatius Riverview before becoming co-founder of seven schools that placed parents at the centre of a child's education. In four of these schools he has been the foundation Principal. Frank has taught classes from Kindergarten to Year 12.

He has a Bachelor of Science, a Diploma in Education and a Masters of Educational Administration.

School profile

Hartford College is Australia's first Liberal Arts school for boys (years 5-12) based in Sydney's South East. Our highly regarded mentoring program, unique liberal arts curriculum and parent focussed philosophy sets Hartford apart. Our school motto: 'Dare to think; dare to know', challenges the common sentiment of 'group think' permeating our society, and encourages students to think outside the box, to ask difficult questions and to have courage in pursuing the truth.

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No. 1 in mentoring boys and in offering a unique liberal arts curriculum

No. 1 Mentoring Boys

At Hartford College, we believe in a holistic approach to education that goes beyond simply striving for academic excellence. We believe that character is a key developmental focus on the journey from childhood to adulthood, and so we encourage the home and school to work closely together. This is why we have employed a personal mentoring program. This program supports our students throughout their schooling, acting as a sounding board, a developer of critical thinking and a positive influence in their academic and personal life.

Our unique Liberal Arts curriculum

Our Liberal Arts curriculum taps into our culture's great western tradition, instilling a love for learning from an early age. Our students appreciate the foundations in classical Greek, antiquity with Plato, Socrates, Aristotle, Pythagoras and Homer. A tra-

dition carried on and developed through the ages with Cicero, Virgil, Augustine, Aquinas to Newton, Einstein, Tolkien, Lewis and many others.

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- Mathematics, English, science and technology
- Studies in history directed towards understanding our heritage and modern world
- Philosophy as a basis for the love of truth and a critical mind
- Study of non-English languages namely Latin and French
- Awakening of the aesthetics through art, literature, music and drama

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Loreto Kirribilli



Mrs Dickinson

About the Principal

Mrs Dickinson believes that a Loreto Kirribilli education offers 'something more'. This 'something more' focuses on developing learners who are highly successful, joyful and spirited, curious and reflective and who are inspired to use their gifts with confidence, creativity and generosity. Our students and graduates are a testament to the success of this ideal as they grow to be positive agents for change in our constantly evolving world.

School profile

Loreto Kirribilli is an independent Catholic school for girls from Kindergarten to Year 12 with an enrolment of over 1,000 students. Established on the peninsula in 1908, our school is proud to be part of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary (IBVM), an international network of faith, friendship and education, imbued with the Mary Ward tradition of women 'doing much' in the service of others.

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Loreto Kirribilli women are inspired to lead, and to shape the future

Over 400 years ago our foundress Mary Ward predicted, "Women in time to come will do much." The example she set of selfless leadership in the service of others, and her courage and conviction in the face of adversity, continues to inspire generations of Loreto Kirribilli students.

At the heart of our school are the values we hold dear: verity, justice, sincerity, felicity, and freedom of mind and spirit. We nurture these qualities in our students to assist them to become women of purpose, with an enduring sense of responsibility to others.

Social justice, student advocacy and leadership opportunities are just some of the ways our students are challenged to use their gifts with courage and compassion to make a positive difference in our world. Our leadership program

offers a myriad of elected and appointed student roles across the Senior and Junior Schools from a young age, including positions on the School Board Environmental Sustainability Committee. Our young leaders play a pivotal role in the life of the school while developing valuable leadership, collaboration and decision-making skills.

This year we are celebrating the school value of Justice, School Captain Coco explains. "We are celebrating and continuing Mary Ward's mission to bring about justice in our world. Through awareness and advocacy, we hope to inspire every student to challenge social inequity wherever it is found."

With their eyes firmly on the future, our students grow into Loreto Kirribilli women of courage who, with vision and generosity, are determined to lead, to inspire, and to shape the future.



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St Pius X College Chatswood



Mr Michael Ronchetti

About the Principal

Mr Michael Ronchetti was appointed Principal of St Pius X College in 2023. Michael complements his leadership experience with a Master of Educational Leadership, a Bachelor of Education and a Diploma of Education from the Australian Catholic University.

School profile

For over 85 years St Pius X College has provided a Catholic education for boys from Years 5 to 12 in the Edmund Rice Tradition. Our approach to life and education is embodied in the College motto 'Fide et Labore' which means 'Through Faith and Hard Work'.

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Why boys thrive at St Pius X College

FAITH

Is an integral part of everyday College life providing students with purpose and meaning.

EXCELLENCE

Every student is unique and we recognise the potential in everyone. We celebrate these differences and promote the pursuit of knowledge, a love of learning and a commitment to personal achievement.

RESPECT

We want boys to respect themselves and each other. We are committed to building and supporting student wellbeing through programs and activities that build resilience, respect, friendship and confidence.

OPPORTUNITY

We provide many opportunities to create experiences. Boys are encouraged to try new activities, find their passion and make new friends by getting involved in the many worthwhile programs and opportunities on offer at the College.

COMPASSION

Boys are provided with practical experiences that develop compassion and consideration of others in their local and international communities.

COMMUNITY

Students learn the value of being part of a caring and supportive community.

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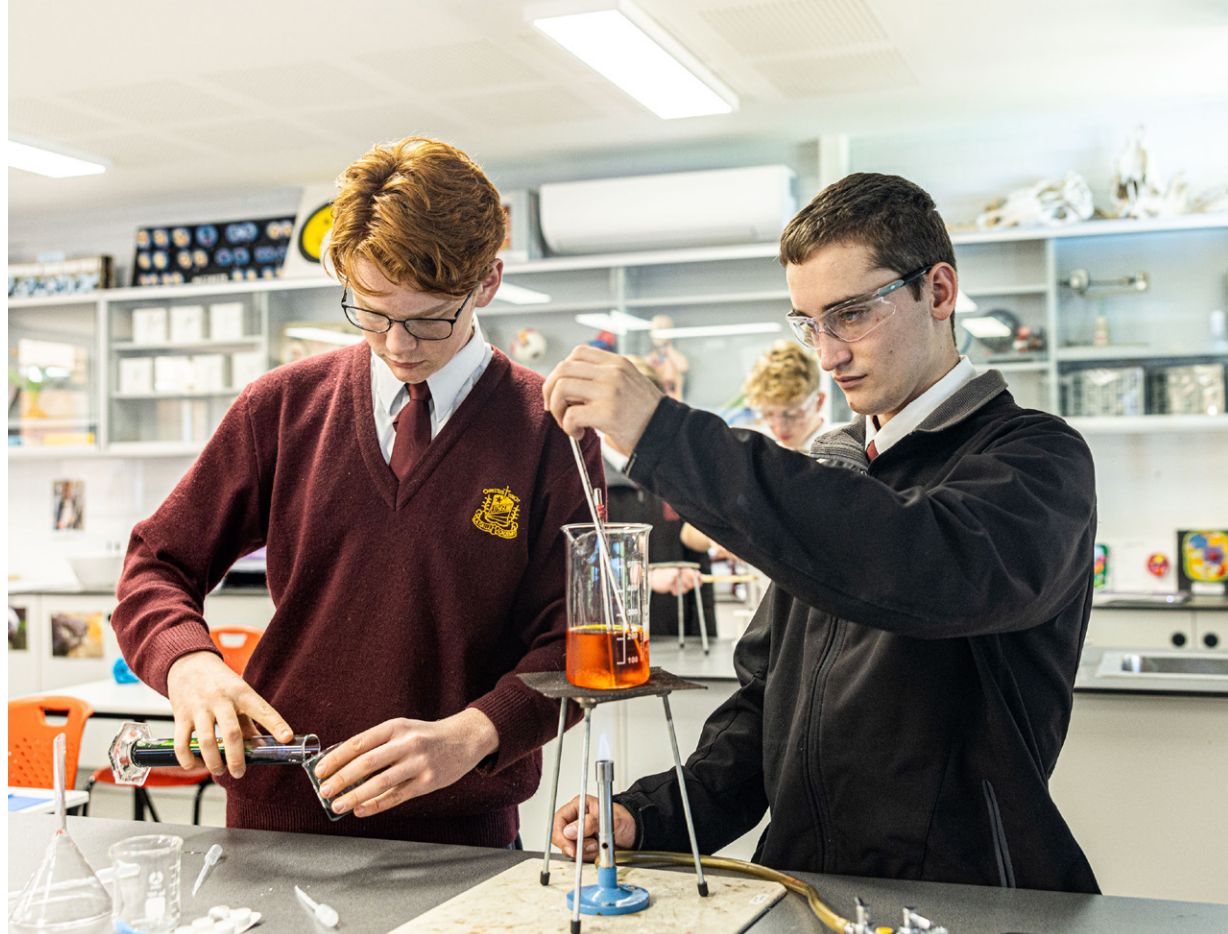
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Catholic Education Diocese of Bathurst provides a diverse range of educational options, from primary schools in small rural communities to large secondary schools. More than 9000 students attend 33 Catholic schools in the diocese, enjoying high educational standards in contemporary, Christ-centred learning environments. In partnership with parents and parishes, our schools nurture

a relationship with Jesus, educate for academic excellence and prepare students for life-long service in a faith-centred community.

Catholic schools are first and foremost religious schools. Our Catholic schools provide a unique opportunity for students to grow, both in relationship with God, and also in knowledge, understanding, wisdom and life skills, in a way that promotes

the integration of their faith and their daily lives.

Our school communities provide our students with a safe, inclusive, nurturing and challenging environment. Excellent facilities incorporating contemporary technologies and vocational training centres, support the provision of a wide range of curricular and extra-curricular activity.

Our Catholic schools are affordable, inclusive and wel-

come children of all faiths. They are strongly involved in their local communities and provide a wide range of opportunities for parents to engage in the life of the school.

We acknowledge the Wiradjuri, Gamilaraay and Wailwan peoples, the traditional custodians of the lands on which our parishes, schools and offices reside. We also pay our respects to elders past and present.

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relationship with God,
and also in knowledge’

La Salle Academy Lithgow



Mr Glenn Carpenter

About the Principal

La Salle Academy's new Principal, Mr. Glenn Carpenter leads an enthusiastic staff who are focused on developing resilient and independent learners. The staff of La Salle Academy are passionate and dedicated in delivering quality education and cocurricular opportunities so that students are best positioned for a successful post-schooling transition.

School profile

La Salle Academy has provided quality Catholic secondary education for the youth of the beautiful western valleys of the Blue Mountains for the last 70 years. La Salle Academy aims to provide a safe, supportive and focused learning environment that is grounded in the Lasallian charism.

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Developing resilient and independent learners

La Salle Academy is a small school with a big heart. With a small population we can afford to provide strong pastoral care and wellbeing opportunities to ensure that all students feel supported and nurtured throughout their time at secondary school. Whilst we have a small population, we are situated on a vast campus that includes a trade training centre, agriculture plot, performing arts/assembly area, full indoor sports court and multiple speciality classrooms catering for food technologies, visual arts, music and science. With our proximity to Sydney, the Blue Mountains and the Central Highlands, we can avail of workshops, fairs, expo's and performances to provide more opportunities for students to broaden their horizons.

A key feature of La Salle Academy is our student population. Our student leaders take responsibility to

ensure that we not only talk about, but act upon our Gospel values and our Lasallian charism by engaging in a number of social justice initiatives to help those within our community and across the world. We have a deep sense of pride in all of our students who present and conduct themselves well and communicate positively about our school and wider communities.

La Salle Academy is engaging in a continual improvement agenda that will deliver the highest quality of education and post schooling options for the students of this small school. In 2023, a number of facility and maintenance works are occurring across the school grounds and there is a focus on building technology capacity within the school that provides equitable, efficient and diverse learning opportunities for all students. Come and see the La Salle Academy difference for yourself.



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St Johns College Dubbo



Mrs Nicole Morton

About the Principal

As Principal of St Johns College Dubbo, it is my pleasure to warmly welcome you to our wonderful community and invite you to be part of the educational experience here at St Johns College.

School profile

St Johns College is dedicated to educating students in an inclusive, Catholic, Christ centred environment. We promote respect and encourage students to reach their potential, contributing to a community to which we all belong.

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ST JOHNS COLLEGE DUBBO - TOMORROW'S LEADERS



A proud tradition of academic excellence and sporting prowess contributing to the community of Dubbo

St Johns College has a proud tradition of academic excellence, sporting prowess, spiritual development and contributing to the community of Dubbo. Inspired by the Mercy and La Sallian traditions, enlivening us to engage in a better way of being. Our motto of 'Christ is my light' guides us in the pursuit of knowledge, wisdom, compassion and truth.

As a Catholic school community, we are people of hope. We believe in the dignity and inclusion of all which promotes a deep sense of belonging. Our focus on developing positive behaviours promotes respect for self and others. The pastoral care of our students is informed by our faith and motivated by our intrinsic desire to see each student's gifts and talents grow whilst in our care at St Johns College.

We believe in partnerships with our parents that support the learning growth of our students. It is in partnership that we work to ensure that each student has the opportunity to grow throughout their journey at St Johns College.

Learning at St Johns College is not just confined to the classroom- learning encapsulates all aspects of spiritual, social, physical and academic growth. We encourage all of our students to avail themselves of the opportunities available to them at St Johns College whether it be in the classroom, representing the school in sporting endeavours, in their relationships with others, social justice or co-curricular activities. We encourage our students to be courageous in their learning in the pursuit of their goals and achievements.

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Feast of OUR LADY of FATIMA

By Mat De Sousa



In her message to three Portuguese shepherd children on 13 July 1917, Our Lady asked them to “pray the rosary every day in honour of Our Lady of the rosary, in order to obtain peace for the world.”

Over a century later, thousands of Sydney’s faithful gathered at St Mary’s Cathedral to live out this message at a celebration marking the anniversary of Our Lady’s first apparition in Fatima, Portugal.

Sydney Auxiliary Bishop Richard Umbers was joined by Ukrainian Catholic Eparch Mykola Bychok CSSR, along with religious and clergy of the Archdiocese of Sydney, to celebrate the feast with a Vigil Mass, the recitation of the holy rosary and a candle-lit public procession

around the cathedral forecourt.

In the lead up to World Youth Day Lisbon (WYD) in August, Sydney Catholic Youth team leader Milad Khalil encouraged WYD pilgrims to take part in the procession and experience walking side by side with people, united with Mary, from “different parishes, schools, backgrounds, ages and stages in their faith journey.”

“This not only offers pilgrims a tiny taste of what is to come at WYD, but a real and tangible experience of the universal church,” said Mr Khalil.

“We have an opportunity as young Catholics to bear witness to the faith in public, a way to express with conviction the faith that is ever

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growing in our hearts and minds.”

For WYD pilgrim Adam Buttigieg, a music teacher at Patrician Brothers’ College in Fairfield, it was essential to be a part of the procession for Our Lady of Fatima.

He will lead pilgrims to Portu-

gal later this year and came to the cathedral seeking a deeper understanding of the significance of Fatima.

“I think knowing the significance of the candlelight procession in Fatima, as well as the white handkerchiefs, the history and prayer that accompany all this brought a real life experience to Sydney,” Mr Buttigieg said.

“As a teacher, I’d want my students to understand that being proud of our faith is something to celebrate.

“I hope the students get a sense of the community that they belong to, that they feel the power of prayer and the connection between the faithful youth.”

Supported by the prayers and devotion of a wider, believing community, those who attend processions do so knowing that as people of faith, they are never alone.

Milad felt the presence of Our Blessed Mother, saying that it was “as though she is holding us by the hand, moving us closer toward her beloved son.”

“This procession is a powerful opportunity for communal prayer, invoking Mary’s intercession as we pray for a successful and fruitful pilgrimage,” he said.

This pilgrimage doesn’t end with the celebration of Our Lady of Fatima or World Youth Day but is each Christian’s lifelong journey toward heaven.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

PROCESSION



The Liberal Arts - a degree for leaders and thinkers

Being a high school captain, mentor or leader can be a fantastic opportunity to develop and express leadership qualities. But how often do students get the chance to continue to develop as leaders after high school?

Too often, students find themselves in standard university degrees that are narrowly focused and do not provide the opportunity to explore their potential. Wouldn't those years be better spent not just studying but developing as a whole person and gaining skills that will help you stand out your entire professional life?

A liberal arts education does just that.

The liberal arts model – which covers the humanities and sciences in a complementary and chronological format, from ancient Greece to the present day – builds students into freethinking, knowledgeable and moral citizens capable of critical and creative thinking. It teaches them to read critically, communicate coherently and think broadly. It also challenges students to consider not only how to solve problems, but how to discern which problems to solve and why.

This kind of thinking helps graduates remain relevant in an era characterised by rapid technological and workplace change. More importantly, it helps graduates to stand out in the workplace, making them strong contenders for leader-

ship positions. “My BA in Liberal Arts has been invaluable in demonstrating my analytical skills and breadth of knowledge,” says Siobhán Reeves, who works as Senior Policy Manager in Canberra. Siobhán graduated from Campion College in 2011, the first and only liberal arts college in Australia.

“I have no doubt that my education at Campion has contributed to the range of leadership opportunities I have experienced in my career to date in the Australian Public Service and that it is a key part of what has informed me as a manager and leader.”

High school leaders seeking a greater sense of challenge and fulfilment post-high school should seriously consider the unique tertiary experience on offer at Campion. In addition to Campion's leading liberal arts program, the Toongabie-based college approaches social life, spiritual life and residential life as part of the fabric of a complete higher education experience. The result of this approach is a genuine community of learning that attracts students from across the country and encourages human flourishing in a truly remarkable way.

Campion has one of the highest student satisfaction ratings in Australia according to the latest Student Experience Survey and graduates in a range of fields, including media, law, health, politics, education, business and evangelisation.



Siobhán Reeves at the 2011 Campion College Graduation Ceremony

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New research finds young people can learn empathy at university

Growing interest in experiential learning models such as service-learning or community engagement, where students complete compulsory community work as well as learn theory in lectures and tutorials, has seen a proliferation of programs offered at universities worldwide.

For example, all students who study at Australian Catholic University participate in community engagement as part of the Core Curriculum.

However little research has investigated whether community placements can lead to an increase in empathy among students, until now.

Researchers at Australian Catholic University (ACU) analysed the experiences of 1410 university students, taken from 35 separate studies, who were involved in face-to-face service with community members who experienced some form of disadvantage and marginalisation.

The meta-analysis and qualitative meta-synthesis, published in *Educational Research Review*,

found students who completed organised community placements through their universities were more empathic and understanding of people whose personal circumstances were different to theirs. The research paper is the first systematic evidence that shows service-learning contributes positively to student empathy.

ACU Research Fellow Dr Chloe Gordon, one of the lead researchers, said as well as showing evidence of increased empathy, the research revealed that direct interactions with community members was an influencing factor.

"One student in a study acknowledged how easy it was to read about people's stories, but when you were watching them tell their story, with tears in their eyes, you felt a degree of the pain they felt and it resulted in a transformative experience," Dr Gordon said.

Dr Gordon said the research might be useful to employers, since an increasing number of professions want graduates who



can connect with, and work effectively with people from diverse backgrounds. "Soft skills are increasingly seen as critical skills in the workplace, where employers want graduates who are able to work with a diverse range of people," Dr Gordon said.

"Empathy, which is defined broadly as the act of perceiving, understanding, experiencing and responding to the emotional state and ideas of another person, is one of these critical skills.

"Our research shows that learning models such as service-learning

or community engagement can help students to become more empathic." Dr Gordon said the former New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern was a powerful example of one leader who made a strong impact with her empathetic approach.

"A strong theme in our findings was service-learning leading to identifying with another person and recognising their common humanity," Dr Gordon said.

"One of the most impactful global examples of this was when Jacinda Ardern grieved

with Muslim families following the Christchurch attack, wearing the hijab as a sign of respect. Her ability to show authentic empathy and translate this into action as a world leader was inspiring.

"Even in the wake of her resignation as Prime Minister, she was still trending for being a strong leader who was empathetic."

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