

St Peter's Catholic College

Tuggerah Lakes



Courage

Compassion

Commitment



Welcome to St Peter's Catholic College, Tuggerah Lakes

Nurturing young men and women to achieve and serve
our community

Welcome

- The College motto 'Live the Faith' inspires the journey that each of our students will take at St Peter's
- Courage, compassion and commitment are the core values that guide every member of our school community in both their relationships and achievements

We are a co-educational Catholic secondary school of 1,100 students in the Broken Bay Diocese.

We are located in Tuggerah in a natural setting of 16 hectares of native gums, natural wetlands and vast open spaces. Although close to Tuggerah railway station, Westfield shopping centre and the residential community of Tuggerah and Mardi we retain a 'country serenity' with our beautiful campus.

While we exist to give students a well-rounded education in accordance with the requirements of the Board of Studies, our specific aims are:

- To educate and form young people in Catholic discipleship; offering the experience of following Jesus as members of the Catholic community
- To have a pastoral concern for all where the dignity of each individual is a deep concern for social issues within their own community and indeed in the broader local, national and global communities in which they find themselves
- To 'Live the Faith' through our chosen core values of Courage, Compassion and Commitment that form the basis for our relationships and our achievements
- To inspire our students to live healthy lifestyles and become well-adjusted, resilient young men and women who are able and motivated to make a positive difference to our world
- To encourage our students to embrace the world of technology and use it to advance their knowledge and skills

Our Mission

Catholic discipleship

Educate and form young people in Catholic discipleship

‘Live the Faith’

Through our core values of Courage, Compassion and Commitment

Catholic community

Offer all students experiences to follow Jesus as members of the Catholic community

Nurture each student

The potential of each student is nurtured through a comprehensive curriculum that provides spiritual, intellectual, emotional and communal growth



At St Peter’s we value:

The dignity of each individual

The pursuit of the common good

Respect for our environment and all who work within it

Equality for all in our community and the wider world

To achieve this:

We encourage the spiritual formation of students, through religious and liturgical experiences and guide them to become young men and women of strong faith and morals

We offer a safe environment for all students to grow and develop through the strength of our Pastoral Care Program

We provide excellence in teaching and learning through strong curriculum leadership of KLA Co-ordinators, and dedication of all teachers

We encourage and support development of students through a strong co-curricular program in the areas of Religion, Creative Arts and Sport

We create a culture/ethos where student excellence is encouraged and fostered in all areas of the curriculum

We offer a broad curriculum to cater for all levels of student ability

We have teams working towards collaborative decision-making to ensure all have a voice

We encourage care and concern for our immediate and the global environment



Student Welfare

- St Peter's Catholic College has two trained and experienced psychologists who share the role of College Counsellor
- The focus of Pastoral Care at St Peter's Catholic College is a caring and compassionate community that recognises the dignity and talents of all its members
- At St Peter's we work together to build a world that is Christ-centred by assisting students and staff to integrate their faith, their culture and their life experiences



Pastoral Care Policy

Pastoral Care Outcomes

Fosters positive relationships between students and staff based on co-operation and mutual respect

The development of positive relationships

Recognises the importance of a professional and committed staff

The acceptance of individual differences

Is part of an essential partnership of the College with parents and the wider community

The development of earth consciousness and stewardship of the earth and its resources

Encourages students to take responsibility for their learning and actions and is directed at preparing students to be informed, active and involved in creating a better world

The recognition and reduction of those risk factors that may impair the promotion of positive relationships, effective communication and positive regard

The development of social awareness

The development of a supportive community for all members

Empowerment for students, staff and parents

The importance of the celebration

Recognition of the importance of dignity, self-esteem and resilience

A Learning Community

- St Peter's Catholic College achieves the best teaching practices in an environment where every student values and enjoys learning



TEACHING AND LEARNING

St Peter's Catholic College offers a wide range of subjects to cater for the variety of student needs. Our comprehensive academic program is enhanced by:

- superior technological facilities
- a wide choice of electives
- an extensive Creative Arts Program
- accredited Vocational Education (including work placements)
- Comprehensive Learning Support Programs
- High profile Sport and Outdoor Education Programs

ADAPTIVE EDUCATION

- St Peter's facilitates student transition into the College Community and provides an environment where success and self-worth are actively fostered and encouraged
- We recognise that not all students learn in the same way or at the same rate; and teaching staff are supported in catering for differing learning styles
- Differentiation of curriculum enables difficulties to be addressed and strengths to be extended at all levels. Students who have been identified as gifted are provided with an enriched curriculum in the mainstream setting





Our Facilities

- The College is conveniently located within 10 minutes walking distance from Tuggerah Station and there are direct bus links across the Central Coast
- There is significant focus on co-curricular activities within St Peter's, and we are proud to celebrate the talents and considerable successes of our students

St Peter's Catholic College is located in a magnificent 16 hectare bush setting on the Central Coast. The commitment of St Peter's to caring for the environment is mirrored in the vast open spaces, which include native gums and natural wetlands. The College provides superior covered areas, outdoor seating areas, sporting facilities, oval and playing fields for its staff and students.



OUR FACILITIES

Chapel	7 Science labs
Hall with stage, sound and lighting facilities to industry standard	Dance and Drama studios
Canteen	Music stage and practice rooms
Uniform and Stationery Shop	Information Centre and Library
Industry-standard TAS facilities	Covered outdoor learning areas
Trade Training Centre with Hospitality and Metal & Engineering facilities	Extensive sporting facilities with oval and playing fields
Music and Visual Arts Centres	Landscaped grounds and outdoor seating areas
On-site parking for parents and students	Information technology

Team Participation

Learning is about the development of the whole person, and at St Peter's Catholic College we have a well deserved reputation for providing students with extensive cultural and sporting experiences—and acknowledge that participation in those activities play an important part in many of our students' lives



Building Partnerships

As principle partners in the education of students, we believe parents play a pivotal role in supporting student learning



Creative Arts

The St Peter's Dance Group is a mixed gender group that compete and excel in numerous competitions. A College Musical is performed every second year.

Pastoral

Through our Youth Ministry, students are encouraged to be actively involved in local, regional, national and international activities. These include Parish-based activities, an Indigenous Spiritual tour to Central Australia, overseas visits to Cambodia and Bali with a social justice focus

Music

Students learn a variety of instruments and can obtain vocal tuition from external instructors co-ordinated with their timetables

Academic

Night of the Notables and Premier's Reading Challenge

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

- Our relationships with parents and the wider community are based on mutual respect and trust and we value the contribution these partners make
- We foster regular, meaningful communication between school and home and keep parents informed of student progress via our Parent Portal on-line tool
- The Family Network connects parents and carers within the St Peter's community. They promote engagement in their child's learning as well as informing of College events



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