







# Welcome

## It is a pleasure to introduce you to Emmaus College and the Emmaus Journey.

As a parent, choosing the right secondary college for your child is one of the most important decisions you will make. I hope this prospectus provides you with some valuable insights into what makes Emmaus College an exceptional learning environment.

Emmaus is well recognised as an excellent co-educational Catholic College with outstanding facilities and a broad technology-rich curriculum delivered by experienced and dedicated teachers. We pride ourselves on providing a safe and supportive environment where every person is valued. At Emmaus College we recognise and celebrate each individual's unique talents and encourage students to strive to be their best in all aspects of life.

At Emmaus College, we work in partnership with your family to develop outstanding young men and women. I look forward to welcoming your child to our community and sharing their Emmaus journey with you.

Karen Jebb Principal









# Catholic

A Catholic education at Emmaus provides much more than academic teaching. It is about developing the whole person in mind, body and spirit. We continuously install values, knowledge and skills that allow them to enter adulthood as a compassionate, well-informed and valued member of society.

#### **Student Wellbeing**

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Our Wellbeing Program fosters self-worth and respect for others by promoting positive relationships, responsible behaviours, personal resilience and engagement with learning.

### **Pastoral Care**

An Emmaus education is about developing the whole person (academic, spiritual, social and physical).

Our Pastoral Care programs embrace the total wellbeing of our students, whilst promoting happiness within our College community and assisting our students to reach their full potential in all aspects of development.

Our Vertical Pastoral Care structure promotes supportive relationships between students and their Pastoral Teacher which enables students to feel a strong sense of belonging. The vertical structure also provides many leadership and mentoring opportunities as well as Peer Support programs designed to assist Year 7 students transitioning into the College.

Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us? Luke 24:32





# **Co-educational**

Emmaus is proud to be a leading co-educational Catholic College. We strongly believe that a co-educational learning environment offers many clear benefits and best prepares students for their post-school life.

Emmaus has a 50:50 ratio of boys to girls.

Collaboration between genders within the classroom enriches the learning experience. It allows for diverse opinions and viewpoints to be exchanged and helps to develop confidence in students so that they feel comfortable expressing their ideas and opinions in any situation.

Co-education also enables students to be exposed to both male and female role models and different leadership styles. Emmaus College provides a safe and supportive learning environment where students can feel comfortable about who they are and develop healthy and positive attitudes towards their self-image.

By promoting self-esteem and confidence, we help our students perform to the best of their ability and get the most out of their education.







# Student Learning

At Emmaus our goal is to ignite a life-long love of learning in the heart of every student. Our teachers are highly-dedicated professionals who understand that each child is unique.

Our Learning Enhancement Programs are designed to extend highly-able students and enrich their learning experience. Learning enhancement and extension opportunities are available in numeracy and literacy as well as in co-curricular areas such as public speaking, debating, performing arts and community service initiatives.

Emmaus offers a broad, technologyrich based curriculum designed to challenge and engage students. In Years 7 and 8 students experience a range of core subjects and are introduced to our language program where they are able to select 2 of the 3 languages offered: German, Indonesian and Italian. In Years 9 and 10 students have the opportunity to select electives and start to specialise in particular areas of interest. In Year 10, various VCE subjects are also available.

In the senior years Emmaus provides a comprehensive range of VCE, VET and VCAL subjects to enable students to pursue their chosen pathway.





## Y9@E

In Year 9, students at Emmaus have the opportunity to experience an exciting learning and development environment designed to enhance their engagement, explore areas of interest and challenge them to achieve academic and personal growth.

Adolescence can often be a challenging time in a young person's life. Their fierce desire for independence and the shift from a parent-dependent to peerdependent world can manifest itself into educational disengagement.

Our Y9@E initiative acknowledges this by providing a dedicated Year 9 campus and specialised programs. These programs are designed to spark the imaginations and curiosity of our students whilst most importantly heightening their engagement levels. With a focus on learning beyond the classroom, Y9@E provides a variety of rich learning experiences that enable students to develop a strong sense of belonging and wellbeing. The rich tapestry of learning experiences are a blend of traditional core subjects such as English, Mathematics, Religious Education, Science and Humanities with highly-engaging programs that take learning beyond the classroom.

Some of these programs include Discovery Camp, City Explore, Community Connections, Active Life, Certificate Days, Pathways and Discovery.











# A Wealth of Opportunities

Emmaus College offers an extensive range of co-curricular activities that encourages all students to take an active role in school life outside of the traditional classroom.

#### Sport

Students are involved in House Sport and Inter-school Sport (EISM). A wide variety of popular team and individual sports are available as well as the opportunity to participate in House and inter-school carnivals.

### **Tournament of Minds**

A problem-solving program involving teams of students that aims to enhance their potential by developing diverse skills, creative thinking, time management and the ability to work collaboratively within a competitive environment.

### Co-curricular

- Performing Arts: Drama, Dance and Voice
- Student Leadership
- Robotics
- Social Justice Initiatives
- Public Speaking and Debating
- Chess and Games Clubs
- Study Tours
- Exchange Programs (Sister Schools: Indonesia, Italy, Germany, USA)
- Camps and Excursions

A DIVERSE RANGE OF OPPORTUNITIES TO CHOOSE FROM





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#### **College Production**

The College Production is a major highlight of the school year. Students and teachers involved with Music, Dance and Drama come together to stage the annual musical production. If you ask any of our students involved in the production, they will tell you, it is such an amazing experience to showcase their talents and to work with and learn from so many other talented members of the production.

#### Music

Students involved in the Instrumental Program, bands and vocal ensemble have many opportunities to perform at concerts and at events within the local community.

- Music Camp
- Vocal, Orchestral and Guitar, Percussion and Band Soirée evenings
- Charity Concert
- Year 7 Music Nights
- Annual Emmaus Music Concert























## Environment

Emmaus strives to provide the very best grounds, buildings and facilities for our college community. Our spacious and well-maintained grounds, excellent sporting and performing arts facilities, well-equipped classrooms and latest technologies all work together to enhance our curricular and cocurricular learning. Our students enjoy an exceptional environment, one that is safe and supportive and best able to develop them academically, socially, spiritually, physically and emotionally.

Our latest development was the Galilee Centre, a new state-of-the-art learning centre which boasts a 250 seat Lecture Theatre, Language Classrooms, VCAL, Careers Centre, Education Support and College Psychologists.

This exceptional facility has greatly enhanced the educational provision at the College.

We are thrilled to announce that we are about to begin construction of a Creative Industries building. The ambition for this building is to provide a rich and inspiring learning environment for our music, media and performance areas.

> A WONDERFUL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT BRINGS PRIDE TO OUR STUDENTS







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