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**John XXIII College is an inclusive contemporary Catholic school where students grow to become people for others. Intellectual maturity, integrity and spiritual growth characterise the way our students look at the world. We prepare our graduates to be people of competence, conscience and compassion, committed to God and the service of others.**

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### How many students are at John XXIII College?

Our College is home to over 1,500 (including 450 primary students) lively students and over 250 committed staff.

### What year groups do we cater for?

John XXIII College is a leading co-educational Catholic school in Mount Claremont. Our university inspired campus set on expansive grounds is home to students from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12.

### Do you have a Prospectus?

→ [Download the College Prospectus here.](#)

### When and how do we enrol?

There are two official entry years into John XXIII College at Kindergarten and Year 7.

Enrolment interviews are offered two years before entry for Kindergarten (two years of age) and three years before entry for Year 7 (when the student is in Year 4). Note, Pre-Kindy placements are offered to families who have accepted Kindy placement.

For any other year, enrolment applications are placed on the College waiting lists. Applicants will be contacted if a vacancy occurs.

An interview with the Principal, Vice Principal or Head of Primary is part of the enrolment process.

### What is the Enrolment Policy?

John XXIII College welcomes all enrolment applications. If you would like your child to attend John XXIII College, it is important to apply early. Demand for places is strong and there are waiting lists for all years.

As per our Enrolment Policy, preference is given to Catholic families. Within this category, siblings, feeder primary schools and alumni are prioritised. Non-Catholics are most welcome to apply.

→ [Read our Enrolment Policy here.](#)

→ [Download our Feeder Schools list here.](#)

### What are your Fees and Charges?

→ [Download the 2023 College Fees and Charges here.](#)

### Does the school offer scholarships e.g. Academic, Music or Sport?

The College does not offer Scholarships.

### Does the school offer a Bursary?

The John XXIII College Bursary provides an opportunity for students in Year 7 or above to attend John XXIII College through the generous financial gifts from our community.

→ [Apply for the College Bursary here.](#)

### Do you accept enrolments from international students?

The College is a CRICOS member with the provider number 00746B. We only accept enrolment applications for international students to the Secondary School.

### How does the school communicate with parents?

SEQTA keeps parents involved in all aspects of their child's education. Through the SEQTA app and web portal, parents can access their child's student information – including class timetables, attendance records, school notices, homework and assessment schedules.

## How do you deal with bullying or bad behaviour?

John XXIII College aims to encourage the development of positive relationships between students to minimise the incidence of all forms of bullying, harassment, aggression and violence.

This is reflected in the College's Code of Behaviour which outlines a series of rights, including the right of every person:

- to be treated with respect and dignity
- to live within the College community free of verbal, physical and emotional hurt or harassment
- to hold and express an opinion
- to work in a positive learning environment
- to achieve one's best in all aspects of College learning
- to participate fully in the life of the College
- to work in a clean and safe environment
- to feel proud to belong to the College community
- to have their property respected.

Bullying, harassment, aggression and violence are not tolerated. The College recognises that a whole of College community approach involving students, staff and parents/guardians is the most effective way of dealing with, and hopefully eliminating such incidents.

We ensure that all bullying, harassment, aggression and violence issues brought to our attention by individual students and/or their families are taken seriously and investigated.

## Pastoral Care

We recognise that every child has the right to learn and play safely, to be respected and respect others. Positive incentives and consequences are managed by staff to nurture individual growth. This approach is used to foster self discipline within each child and develop responsible decision making.

The Secondary Pastoral Care structure is two-fold. Each student belongs to a Year level and a House group. The two identities combine to form a homeroom, with each homeroom consisting of one year group within one House (e.g. Year 8 Loreto, or Year 12 Champion).

The students have the support and mentoring of a homeroom teacher, an Assistant Deputy Principal (responsible for all Year level issues) and a House Coordinator (primarily responsible for engagement with College life).

Pastoral Care is delivered through relationships with others, and through the daily program of activities promoted or supported by Year level and House Coordinators i.e. House Days, camps, reflection days, assemblies, lunches, House sport, music or drama.

All staff contribute to the work of pastoral care through daily interaction with students, parents and colleagues including the College Counsellors, Psychologists and the Nurse.

## What extra-curricular opportunities are available?

### Primary

- Chess Club
- Chapel Choir
- Primary Strings Program
- Primary bands
- Primary Choir (Years 2 to 3)
- Primary Auditioned Choir (Years 4 to 6)
- Sport – Non-curricular sports teams are organised by parent volunteers for Minkey Hockey, Joey Soccer, Hockey, Basketball and Netball.

### Secondary

→ [Download the 2023 Secondary Courses and Co-Curricular options here.](#)

## What is the average class size?

Pre-Kindergarten: 16 students

Kindergarten: 25 students

Pre-Primary to Year 3: 28 students

Years 4 to 6: 30 students

Years 7 to 10: 30-32 students for Homeroom. Electives are capped at 24. English is capped at 28.

Years 11 to 12: class sizes vary as there are more subjects available in these years

## School Hours

### **Pre-Kindergarten** (3 year old Program\*)

Monday 9:00am–3:00pm and/or Friday 9:00am–3:00pm

\*Sessions are only offered to those who have accepted Kindergarten placements.

### **Kindergarten**

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00am–3:00pm

### **Pre-Primary**

Monday to Friday

8:35am–3:00pm

### **Primary Years 1-6**

Monday to Friday

8:35am–3:00pm

### **Secondary Years 7-12**

Monday to Friday

8:35am–3:10pm

## Is there a private school bus service?

John XXIII College offers Horizons West private charter bus services taking children to and from school. We currently run three charter bus services covering the north, east and southern suburbs.

The service is safe and an affordable option for all primary and secondary students.

Students can also access Transperth bus services to and from the College.

→ [Find more on Transport and bus routes here.](#)

## How does the College support all students' learning needs?

Many students with unique learning profiles require the encouragement of our Learning Enrichment team to help them learn to their full potential.

Emphasis is placed on providing literacy and numeracy support across all year levels in small groups, on an individual basis or in mainstream classes. Assistance is also provided to students with special needs in mainstream classes through a team of Education Assistants and teachers.

## Does the College have a Gifted and Talented program?

Students are challenged to pursue the *Magis* ('the more') in all areas, with extension activities available in and out of the primary and secondary classrooms.

We offer students a wide range of extension activities, from in-residence writing and creative experiences to problem-solving competitions, academic challenges and special projects. Students have access to universities, industry bodies and mentoring programs as well as the opportunity to take part in competitions at national and international levels.

We offer high-level critical and creative thinking activities including debating, chess, Da Vinci Decathlon, WA Debating League, Jesuit national Debating, World Scholar's Cup, Opti-MINDS, Tournament of Minds, Cultural Decoding, and Mock Trials.

Our program nurtures creative, collaborative and critical thinking skills to help them become lifelong learners.

## How can parents get involved in College life?

John XXIII College is much more than an excellent place to learn; it is a caring, close-knit community. Our Parents' Association is very active, and parent volunteers play a central role in many of the events at the College. They support the College by providing physical help, parent education, fundraising, social interactions for parents and guardians and more.

- **Roncalli Care Group** Named for Pope John XXIII's birth name, this is a group of parents who work together to support College families going through hardship. We believe that no one in our community should ever struggle alone.
- **Inspire** The Parents' Association funds this program of speakers and educators to discuss relevant social issues affecting young people and their families.
- **Men of John XXIII** This is a network for Dads and father figures, creating more opportunities for College life involvement, sharing ideas and taking care of each other and the students.
- **Friends of Music & Drama** A support group for the performing arts, the Friends help our teaching staff by managing front-of-house and catering at performances, camps, workshops and much more.

- **Parents' Association Liaisons** The parent volunteer community-building arm of the College, the PALs coordinate College parents for social, pastoral and volunteer activities. A key objective is to develop and enrich our College's strong community spirit by creating opportunities for links within and between the parent year groups.

### How is John XXIII College governed?

John XXIII College is a Catholic College incorporated under the Associations Incorporations Act 1987. It is governed by the College Council.

### Do all students have to study religious education?

Yes, all students must study religion at John XXIII College. It is a compulsory subject in all years. Students can use *Religion and Life* ATAR as part of their university entrance score.

### Is Religion and Life ATAR compulsory in Years 11 and 12?

No, students may do either *Religion and Life* ATAR or *Religion - General*.

### How often is Mass celebrated at the College?

During the year and on important occasions the College comes together to celebrate mass. Every Friday in the term we celebrate with a community mass at 8:00am.

### What are the Library opening hours?

Our Library, the Ignatius Centre, is open:

**Monday to Thursday:** 7:30am–5:00pm

**Friday:** 8:30am–3:30pm

### What are the homework/study expectations?

There is no set amount of time students are required to commit to homework and study each day. In Years 7 to 9, it is important to develop good habits of completing homework and revising the knowledge and skills learnt in each lesson of the day. In Years 10 to 12, students should be studying for two courses each day (30-40 minutes each) plus completing homework.

### Which schools are are part of the Northern Associated Schools sports competition?

The Northern Associated Schools Competition (NAS) is a sub-association of the Associated and Catholic Colleges (ACC).

The schools involved in this competition are John XXIII, Sacred Heart, Chisholm Catholic, Newman and Servite Colleges.

The College must provide teams for all sports in this competition. Games are played after school on a home and away basis.

### Is Northern Associated Schools sport compulsory?

While participation in NAS is not compulsory, students are encouraged to play in at least one sporting team.

### Are music lessons offered at the College?

We have over 450 students enrolled every year in our comprehensive instrumental program from Pre-Primary to Year 12. We offer instrument and voice lessons in group or individual formats. Students can choose from a variety of musical instruments

**Woodwind** Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Saxophone, Bassoon

**Strings** Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass

**Brass** Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium

**Guitar** Bass Guitar, Electric Guitar, Acoustic Guitar

**Voice** Classical, Musical Theatre, Contemporary

**Piano** Classical, Contemporary, Jazz

**Percussion** Drums, Orchestral Percussion

→ [Read more about Music and download the Music Handbook here.](#)