

PROSPECTUS



“ It resembles a second home for me, everyone knows everyone and having that sense of family is what I treasure most about the school and its people.”

– Student



Welcome

Thank you for your interest in our extraordinary school. Here at St Paul's you will experience a distinct sense of belonging and a generosity of spirit. With personalised learning and pastoral care at the core of our purpose, we believe in the development of the whole person and equipping our students to live meaningful, purposeful lives as contributing members of modern society.

St Paul's is a happy school, a place where students and staff care for one another and are grateful to be a part of this remarkable learning community. From humble beginnings in 1982, we have grown to be a school of approximately 1,500 students and 250 staff, becoming one of Australia's leading regional schools. Known for strong academic achievement and broad co-curricular offerings, we embrace the importance of recognising each child as an individual.

This is made possible by our 'four schools in one' approach, with a Junior School and Secondary School at each of our campuses in Warragul and Traralgon. In this way, each child can be known and catered for with a personalised approach from staff who know their students well.

We have attempted to capture the essence of a St Paul's education in the pages that follow. Words and pictures, however, can only say so much. The best way to experience a school is to visit. I encourage you to contact the School and make a time to have a look around.

Mr Cameron Herbert
Principal



Growth

At St Paul's we are a school who believes in growth and every individual's capacity for growth. We foster and support growth in our students in a variety of academic, emotional, spiritual and social areas so that they can develop into confident, creative, responsible and caring individuals. We realise that growth occurs at different points for different children and as such, we ensure that we regularly provide many opportunities for them to fulfil their potential.

“At St Paul's we place our highest importance on two key factors: learning and being good people.”



INDIVIDUAL *Care*

We care deeply about people at St Paul's. Our personal approach is embedded in our school culture, with a commitment to small class sizes and treating each child individually. This enables us to know every child well, offering appropriate support, encouragement and challenge according to the situation. Providing an environment in which every student can develop into the best person that they can be, we are committed to the pursuit of individual excellence.

“ *At St Paul's, I love the fact that the students and teachers are so kind and care about each individual student.*

At St Paul's everyone greatly respects one another.”

– Student



High STANDARDS

At St Paul's we know that it is our shared belief in the importance of education, our values, our behavioural expectations and our commitment to excellence that set us apart.

A passionate commitment to learning and teaching is 'a given' at St Paul's. Our staff and school families are united in their belief that all students should be afforded every opportunity to be the best that they can be.

“*What I like most about St Paul's is the friendly and respectful culture that students and teachers alike share in. Everyone looks out for each other and gets along well, and the teachers are genuinely interested in not only sharing their wealth of knowledge with the students but also in growing the students into respectful young adults.*”
– Student

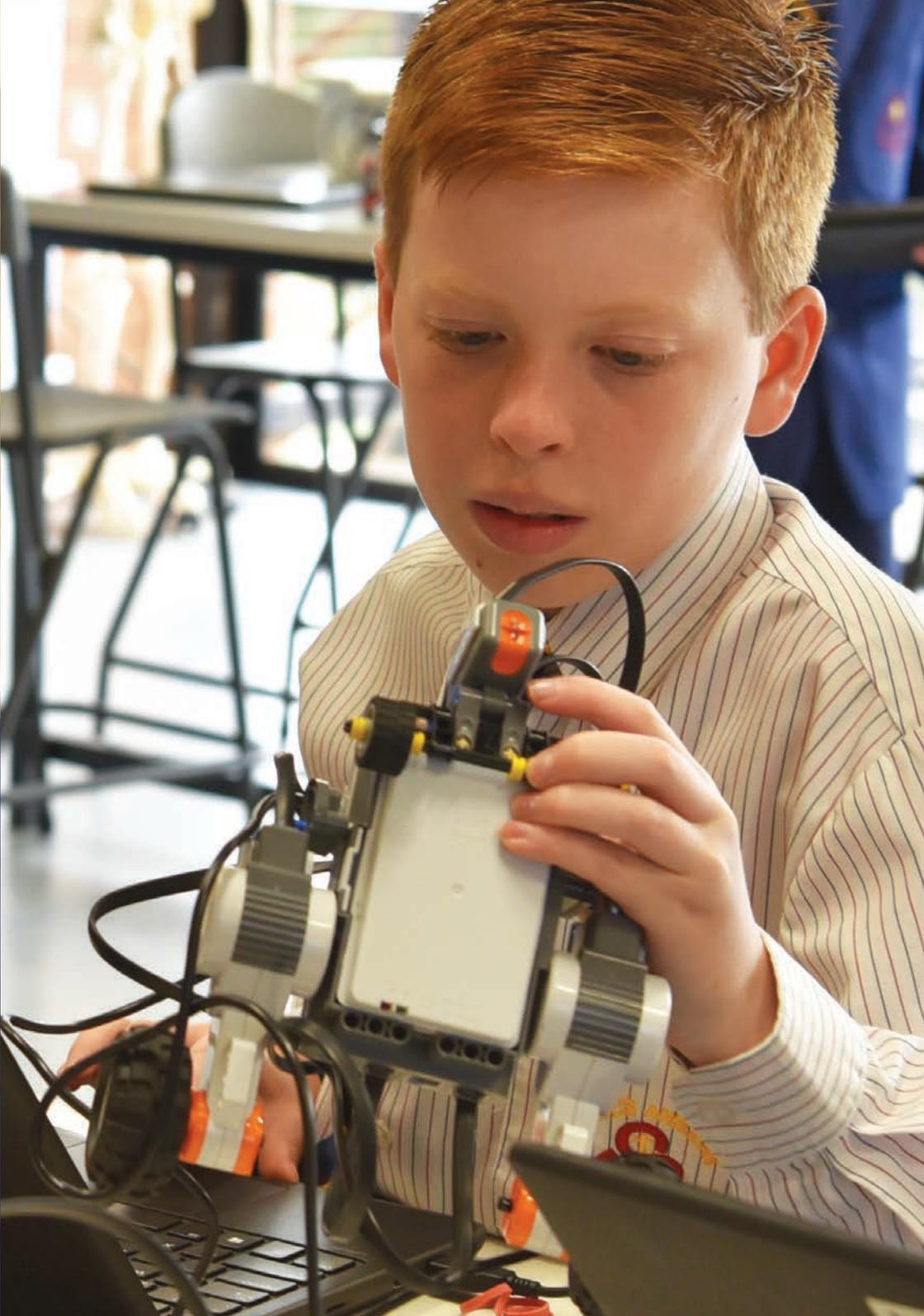


Diversity OF CURRICULUM

We believe that there is something for everyone at St Paul's. Our ELC has an enquiry and play-based approach, our Junior Schools have a range of specialist classes including an established STEM program, and our Secondary Schools offer an extensive elective program from Year 7 along with a wide array of VCE offerings.

Such a diverse range of learning opportunities are designed to allow all of our students to find their passion whilst encouraging a life-long enjoyment of learning.





“ St Paul’s is an incredible environment to not only excel at academic studies, but also pursue other interests such as sport, leadership roles and a myriad of other activities that will ultimately make you a well-rounded individual who is prepared for today’s changing world. ”
– Student



Creativity AND INNOVATION

We believe that creativity and innovation are the hallmarks of excellence. They allow our students to participate in big picture thinking whilst making a contribution to our community and world.

Creativity is about fresh thinking and helps to promote intellectual capacity, confidence, engagement and empowerment in our student body. Innovation is the outcome. At St Paul's we encourage our students to take their creative ideas and become innovators, from ELC through to Year 12, using problem based activities to stretch their thinking.





Explore THE OPPORTUNITIES

We believe that choice enables student-led learning and as such St Paul's creates opportunities for students to explore their creativity and 'paint outside the lines'. Exposure to a huge range of possibilities within and outside the classroom allows our students to develop their problem solving skills and engage with older and younger peers.

Exploring their creativity, our students can choose from a huge array of opportunities such as Robotics, Debating, our Music Program and even Equestrian, as well as our International and Language Tours to countries such as Japan, France and Africa.





“ What I really enjoyed about my time at St Paul’s was the diversity that it offered. Not only does St Paul’s have incredible teachers who are passionate about education, but the school also provides a whole range of co-curricular activities that allowed me to pursue interests outside school – from tennis, to robotics to the Human Powered Vehicle racing team. ”
– Student



Community

St Paul's was founded in 1982 with only nineteen students by a group of passionate community members. As such a sense of service and community is embedded in the culture at St Paul's. While we have grown a lot since these humble beginnings we continue to celebrate a strong sense of community through multi-age student community activities. These activities build cohesion, unity and a sense of family for which the school is renowned.

Our Alumni Association provides an avenue for former students to stay in touch with each other and the school, and our Friends of St Paul's organisation aims to provide support and friendship for the many parents and friends of our school community. At St Paul's we care for one another, including students, staff and families in need.

“ I love the community you are a part of at St Paul's, the little family we have is one of a kind. We know when to work hard and we also know when we can have some fun and this was something that helped me get through Year 12. I also like the family bond that our year level made over the years at St Paul's and as a cohort how we tackled Year 12 and pushed each other to strive to do our best. It is a bond that I will never forget and I will miss in the future years of my life.”
– Student







There is something about St Paul's

There is no better way to learn about St Paul's than to visit us and see for yourself. We invite you to come and meet us, walk the halls and grounds and meet our students and staff. We would love to show you around.

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