



# PROSPECTUS





# OUR VISION AND VALUES

## OUR VISION

At Kingsgrove North High School we are focused on producing skilled, resilient and innovative 21st Century Learners, in a safe, supportive and engaging educational environment.

## OUR VALUES

At Kingsgrove North High School, the values that drive and bind us are:

1. The diversity of our educational community where rights and responsibilities are valued by staff and students.
2. The innovative, successful and quality teaching of our highly motivated and dedicated professional staff.
3. Students who aim to achieve their goals while becoming educated, respectful and responsible young men and women.

## COS - COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS

Kingsgrove North High School work in partnership with our community of Schools:

- Bexley North Public School
- Clemton Public School
- Earlwood Public School
- Campsie Public School
- McCallums Hill Public School

Kingsgrove North High School have developed strong partnerships and collegiately amongst our COS. We have developed a range of programs and leadership opportunities for both staff and students. COS share both professional development and learning experience, as well as organising major events, such as COS Showcase and COS band.

Our STEM, coding and drone program also includes links and partnerships with:

- Beverly Hill North Public School
- Harcourt Public School
- Undercliffe Public School
- Wiley Park Public School
- Belmore South Public School
- Kingsgrove Public School



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### MR ANGELO STASOS

On behalf of the staff and students I would like to welcome you to Kingsgrove North High School which has a rich history of achieving strong HSC results and cultivating strong academic growth over six years of study.

Kingsgrove North High School is a comprehensive high school located in the inner west that offers a broad and innovative curriculum where our classrooms demonstrate the vibrant learning culture of the school with students confidently engaged and challenged in their learning. The school has a Trade Training Facility catering for both Hospitality in a commercial

size kitchen, Woodwork, Metals and Engineering. The teaching staff at Kingsgrove North High School utilise their deep understanding of how students learn to challenge and develop their critical thinking and problem solving skills.

The school has close links with the community and its feeder schools and continues to provide learning opportunities for its students that prepare them for life after school and become innovative 21st century learners.

Our core business at Kingsgrove North High School is teaching and learning. We value the broad range of interests and abilities of our students and therefore we work hard to provide a quality education based on real life experiences for all our students.

As you will see from this prospectus our school facilities and resources are second to none. We take pride in providing a range of programs and student services including Gifted and Talented programs, Study Skills, Mentor Programs and Learning Support Programs.

I encourage you to look at the many programs and activities that our school has to offer and welcome you to Kingsgrove North High School.

Angelo Stasos  
*Principal*







## CURRICULUM

### YEAR 7-10

Students in Year 7 are introduced to the eight key learning areas that they will study until Year 10.

Year 7 to Year 10 focuses on eight key learning areas:

- English
- Human Society and its Environment
- Languages
- Mathematics
- Personal Development, Health & Physical Education
- Science
- Creative Arts
- Technology

### HSC COURSES

There are two types of courses students can study:

#### Board developed courses

Courses in English, Mathematics, Science, Technology, Creative Arts, PD/H/PE, Human Society and its Environment, Languages and Vocational Education and Training (VET) curriculum framework. Courses are set and externally examined by the Board of Studies, and may contribute to the calculation of an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).

#### Board endorsed courses

These courses are developed by schools, TAFE institutes or universities. They count towards the HSC but do not count towards the calculation of an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR).

### VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING COURSES

Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses are either NESAs (Board of Studies) developed courses, which may contribute to the calculation of an ATAR, or Board endorsed courses.

Some VET courses are studied at school while others can be studied at TAFE institutes and other training providers. Many VET courses involve work placement. Board developed VET courses are available in a number of industry curriculum frameworks, such as hospitality and information technology.





## SPECIALISED PROGRAMS

### OPERATION WELCOME

Kingsgrove North High School has developed a unique welcome for Year 7 students who are about to commence their journey into high school. Operation Welcome is a specially designed program that provides students with the opportunity of transitioning into their new school environment which for some students can be overwhelming. The eight day program consists of motivational speakers, team building activities, welfare initiatives on stress management, time management and organisational skills.

### LINKS TO LEARNING

Links to learning is a program designed for young people between the ages of 14-16. The goal of this program is to bring out the best of each student involved.

### WIZE UP

The Wize Up Girls and Boys program caters to Year 10 students. This program challenges students to develop leadership skills. Wize Up focuses on resilience and exposes students to real issues, allowing students to gain skills in problem solving and working collaboratively in a team.

### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Annual COS Showcase
- Community Day and Harmony day Celebrate the diversity of the school through dance and music performance
- Quality projects in Technology and Applied Studies, Society and Culture, English Extension and History Extension are also exhibited
- Multicultural Day
- Biggest Morning Tea (Cancer Fundraiser)
- Debating and Public Speaking
- Model Making Club
- Dance and Music ensembles which are regularly performed at school assemblies and concerts
- Year 7, 9 and 11 camps
- Community of schools Band Concert
- NAIDOC Celebrations





## SCHOOL FACILITIES

Kingsgrove North High School boasts modern and innovative facilities that provide students with more opportunities to learn and develop important life long skills.

### SPECIALISED LEARNING ROOMS

- English Learning Support Hub
- Maths Centre
- Senior Science HSC Room
- PDHPE Senior Study Centre
- 2 New modern Commercial Kitchens
- TAS Technology Room
- CAPA Technology hub
- CAPA Animation and photo media studio
- Australian Cultural Museum
- Specialised Language Room
- STEM room
- Technology Centre
- Ceramic Workshop
- Trade Training Facilities
- Senior HSC Study Centre
- Four Level Modern Library
- Video recording facilities and production lights in hall
- Music Centre with recording studio





## SPORT

- Refurbished oval with computerised sprinkler system
- Indoor Futsal Soccer Court
- New Basketball/Netball Courts
- Volleyball Courts
- Fully equipped Gym
- Two outdoor, mini Soccer Courts
- Physical testing Laboratory

## OUTDOOR

- Outdoor Recreation and Quiet Area (Frenchs Forest)
- Covered Grandstands on oval
- Outdoor education Garden Centre with working Greenhouse
- CAPA outdoor learning classroom
- Quiet Senior Study Area
- Outdoor handball Courts





## KNHS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Kingsgrove North High School also offers a number of scholarships for students in Year 6 applying for Year 7.

**Year 6 into 7** – There are four categories that students in Year 6 can apply for including

- (a) Academic
- (b) Leadership
- (c) Arts
- (d) Sports

Each of the above scholarships include

1. Laptop with Office 365, anti-virus and bag
2. Individualised tuition (2 hours each term)
3. Year 7 backpack
4. Subject Fees for Year 7
5. School Uniform.

Students can apply for Year 7 scholarships when forms are given out on Open Night, or they can ask to have a form sent out by contacting our office on 9502 3933. Applications are due to the Principal at the end of Term 1 each year. Successful students are presented with their scholarships at the annual Presentation Evening each year in December. These awards are sponsored by local businesses.

## ISTEM

ISTEM presents maths and science to students in ways that challenge not only their understanding of these key subjects but also their ability to manage projects and work in teams.

Science, technology, engineering and mathematics have been identified as being fundamental to securing the future of Australia. They provide the necessary knowledge and skills that underpin many.

## TECHNOLOGY CENTRE

The Technology Centre consists of two newly refurbished IT Rooms that can be opened up with operable doors to increase capacity to 60 students. A Tech room consisting of IPADS and Laptops also forms part of the Technology Centre.

## INNOVATION HUB

The hub is a purpose built state of the art building to empower and inspire student to excel in Technology and innovation. The hub provides future focussed learning experiences in STEM and coding. Students have access to the latest technologies in the area of Robotics, Drones, Virtual Reality and 3D Technologies.





## STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Kingsgrove North High School promotes and encourages leadership opportunities for our students. Students are encouraged to work amongst their peers and the wider community.

**THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC)** consists of peer-elected members from each year who represent students' interests and needs and to bring about positive changes to benefit students and the whole school community. SRC Leaders help with the organisation and management of fundraising activities including assemblies, Open Night and year presentations.

**ABCN** (Australian Business and Community Network) Leadership and Mentor programs running as part of this partnership include:

- **FOCUS** program – students work female executives who are role models and mentors
- **“About the future Influence – Her”** a program exclusively for young aspiring women leaders to engage and learn from senior women executives, right up to CEO level
- **“GOALS”** program that involves business professionals mentoring students
- **“INTERVIEW TO IMPRESS”** designed to equip students with the necessary practical skills needed to engage in employment options beyond school

### Senior Leadership Team

School Captains and Vice Captains lead the perfect body that are elected yearly providing whole school and annual event opportunities to lead students.

### Peer Support

The program encourages Yr10 students to develop and share experiences, understanding and knowledge about school with the new Year 7 cohort. Year 7 students are provided with guidance and support from their older peers how to develop friendships, self confidence and differing opinions.

### Young Halogen Leaders Day

A yearly conference which provides leadership education and inspiration for students from Years 7 to 12 with high profile motivational speakers across a variety of themes.

### Primary School leadership Links

An ongoing yearly program that involves engaging with primary school students across a variety of programs such as sports, mentoring and Peer Support.

### Young Women of the world Lighthouse Leadership program

A program that involves Year 9 students developing Leadership skills within the community.





## WELFARE

### Kingsgrove North High Welfare and Discipline Policy

The KNHS Student Welfare Policy is implemented and managed on a case by case basis in conjunction with the students, staff and families informed by the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice as outlined in DOE policy documents.

### Whole School Programs

- Turning into teens parenting program
- Eye Care
- Year 7 and 10 Vaccinations
- Study Skill Workshops
- Life Ready Course
- Train Safety
- Raise Mentoring
- Homework Centre
- Top Blokes
- Motivational Speakers
- Anti-bullying programs
- Cyber Safety

### Barnardos

Community Support by providing referrals to assist with

- Housing and accommodation
- Migration and settlement
- Mental health
- Counselling and youth support
- Financial matters

On-site translation Services in Community languages including

- Arabic
- Greek
- Italian
- Macedonian
- Turkish
- Vietnamese
- Tagalog
- Chinese
- Albanian





## THINKING, LEARNING AND ACHIEVING

We believe that students learn best when they are given a variety of engaging strategies for learning. We also believe that our students learn best when they develop skills to apply logical, creative and positive thinking.

The School provides teaching programs that cater for and extend differentiated learning, for all levels, of higher order thinking skills.

Our students are encouraged to develop positive relationships; to practice empathy; to reflect on their values; and to consider the choices they make as well as the consequences that follow. They are encouraged to take responsibility for themselves and their learning.

We believe that students learn best when they have opportunities for expression across many fields and when they produce work that brings together their knowledge and skills for a real purpose and for a real audience.

### Competitions

- Maths
- Public Speaking and Debating
- National History Challenge
- Science and engineering challenge

### Friday's Café

Is an in-school workplace learning initiative for students with special needs. The program involves every facet of running the café as a small business venture. Students develop a wide range of skills including food preparation, customer liaison, menu selecting, budgeting and marketing.

### Gifted and Talented

Our school meets the needs of gifted and talented students with a whole school evidence based program. We identify, enrich and extend gifted and talented students. Our staff have completed a formal course in Gifted Education run by the University of New South Wales.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education teachers develop and deliver specialised learning programs for students who have a range of disabilities and learning difficulties.

A KNHS our specialised staff are excellent practitioners and communicators, who work in a variety of educational settings and deliver programs which support students to develop skills and competencies essential for further education and training, community participation, everyday life and successful transition to gainful employment.



*To Achieve, Learn and Lead*

