



Moreton Bay Boys' College

Life adventurers. Life achievers.



The opportunities he wants
The boundaries he needs

Prospectus



The boy he is now



The man he will become

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From the Executive Principal

Welcome to Moreton Bay Boys' College. As you tour our campus you will experience the energy and vibrancy of our College.

Moreton Bay Boys' College and our nearby sister school Moreton Bay College became amalgamated in 2011. The reason for this is because, quite simply, we are stronger together. Each school has a separate, unique and distinctive identity with an aligned focus and vision. We are two schools, close together in location, governed by the one board and under the leadership of one Executive Principal. We both specialise in the delivery of quality education for boys on one campus and the same tailored education for girls a few kilometres away.

At MBBC our College students are encouraged to extend themselves intellectually and to strive to achieve - whether this is in the classroom, the playing field or the stage. For your son to grow into a man capable of dealing with life's challenges he needs a school experience that allows him to become as our motto suggests, a life adventurer and life achiever.

As a father of two boys attending Moreton Bay Boys' College it is important for me as my sons become men they ask challenging questions, think critically, develop research skills proven to help them in higher education and are encouraged to be active in their communities to take their learning beyond academic study. The College is the right place for them to be.

Moreton Bay Boys' College has a strong philosophy of educating the whole person - body, mind, heart and spirit. The focus on academic excellence is underpinned by a rich and caring pastoral program. This is coupled with a rich co-curricular program to engage your son across visual and performing arts, cultural activities and a wide range of sports.

Boys need a learning environment that gives both the boundaries and the freedom to



explore and experiment, to take risks, to debate and challenge. Moreton Bay Boys' College provides this and our outstanding teaching staff strive to ensure that your son will achieve his personal best, embrace opportunities to develop as a leader, to volunteer, to develop courage to overcome and to act with integrity. As a single sex College your son is free to be himself and to build a strong and resilient self-esteem. Like our sister school, Moreton Bay College, Moreton Bay Boys' College has a strong tradition in single sex education. We are also a young and dynamic school embracing innovation and change. This creates an exciting learning environment for your son to thrive.

Our academic program is based within the International Baccalaureate (IB) which aims to do more than other standard curricula. MBBC is the only school in the bayside authorized to deliver the International Baccalaureate PYP and MYP programs. The IB encourages students to think critically, challenge and question. The IB program is an internationally recognised framework, which works hand in hand with the Australian Curriculum. It will encourage your son to consider both local and international environments in order to prepare him as a young man for a future life on the global stage with the skills to achieve wherever his career takes him.

Choosing a school can be one of the most challenging and difficult decisions a parent can make. While this can seem overwhelming it is worth remembering it is an investment in your son's future. I believe you can sense the energy of a great school and it is only by visiting that you can get a feeling for the values and culture of MBBC. I would encourage you as a parent to look for the school that best suits the needs and interests of your son. Moreton Bay Boys' College has an abundance of opportunities for your son to explore and to discover.

For your son to grow, he will need a College that cares for him; that knows him. To thrive, he will need to be safe and free from harm and bullying. To excel he will need kind, patient and intelligent guidance from teachers who are experts in the way boys learn. For him to shine, he needs to have strong and firm boundaries where he feels respected. This is the foundation of the Moreton Bay Boys' College experience. I invite you and your family to become a part of this very special place.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Sloman'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a white background.

Mr James Sloman
Executive Principal



From the Head of College

Congratulations on considering an innovative, world-class education for your son.

At Moreton Bay Boys' College we take a different perspective on your son's education. Our internationally accredited programs are designed to provide each boy with multiple learning pathways and the opportunity to discover the potential within himself.

Our vision is to be a leading internationally minded school that offers its boys an innovative, broadly based educational experience. Our philosophy is built on the foundation of Christian values and aims to develop each boy's critical thinking; and individual abilities, equipping them with the skills necessary to be successful, lifelong learners who are productive and responsible global citizens.

Whilst we are a relatively new school, in fact the newest private boys' school in Brisbane in over 50 years, our reputation for high standards and academic success is growing.

Our school values of teamwork, character, care and engagement are reflected in everything we do. We take pride in our collaborative learning environments, we offer a range of opportunities and projects in the sporting fields and arts arenas. We offer

a well-rounded and holistic pastoral care program and have an enthusiastic parent and school community. Our teaching staff, leadership team administration and students are involved in professional development, wellness and enrichment programs to ensure they are performing at their very best.

Through a range of opportunities, we seek to challenge and develop each individual, guiding him through the adventure of learning and preparing him for the challenges of life. Our specialist approach to the way boys think and learn allows us to tailor our programs to meet the different interests, abilities and goals of each child.

The College continually empowers students to test their limits and expand their horizons. Our approach to education extends beyond the classroom, focusing on developing the entire individual – mind, body and spirit. Having an Executive Principal across our College and Moreton Bay College means we are able to offer quality boys and girls education options for families with aligned philosophies, school policies and calendars, underpinned by the ethos of the Uniting Church.

To discover more of the exciting possibilities we can offer your son, I encourage you to view our website. I also invite you to tour our beautiful Brisbane campus and to meet the boys and staff. Together with our sister school Moreton Bay College, we look forward to welcoming you to our family.

Mr Tony Wood
Head of College

**Education is not preparation for life;
education is life itself. – John Dewey**

Discover a world of opportunities



There are no seven wonders of the world in the eyes of a child. There are seven million.

– Walter Streightiff

Your son will discover the many joys of learning at Moreton Bay Boys' College. Our rich and diverse learning environment will engage him intellectually, creatively, physically, emotionally and spiritually.

We encourage our students to be open to new opportunities and to learn from others, whether a great icon in history, an entrepreneur in the modern world, a teacher or a peer.

Each student will be challenged and guided in his learning journey and offered opportunities that push him beyond what he may have thought possible, allowing him to grow in confidence and competence.

The vibrant and globally-focused education we offer is as much about the journey as the destination, as much about the man he will become as the boy he is now.

Moreton Bay Boys' College helps your son experience more of life, and the emerging possibilities of a changing world.

We aim for our boys to be creative, insightful and curious, to develop a dedication to excellence as a way of life. Through depth and diversity in their education, boys are given the opportunity to develop themselves fully as people – building self-confidence, opening them to new experiences, becoming

part of a team, and taking on the opportunity to shine as individuals.

Extensive sporting, cultural, academic, community, environmental, personal development and specialist co-curricular activities are offered to complement our curriculum. So, as well as developing the skills and talents he has already discovered in himself, your son will be able to add new strings to his bow.

Boys can participate in sport, the visual and performing arts, join clubs, be part of leadership groups and interschool competitions, enjoy camps and expeditions, be involved in community service programs, mentor younger boys and engulf themselves in the full and diverse experience of MBBC life. Education through travel is also provided by the College, with curriculum or service related trips offered to exciting locations around the world, such as our trip to Tanzania where students painted and refurbished the buildings in our sister school.

MBBC is famous for its adventure sports and outdoor program. As well as offering overnight camps from Year 1, we offer a variety of adventure sports including sailing, a rock climbing wall and one of Australia's only on site, bushland, mountain bike tracks.

Experts in

boys' education



Pushing the frontiers of boys' education with our innovative, world class approach.



Our teachers are experts in boys education who are committed to providing quality, innovative education and positive role modelling and mentoring.

We select teachers who are passionate about working with boys and who value and understand the specific way boys learn.

Our staff actively participate in professional learning communities, belong to professional associations, speak at educational forums and are committed to ongoing professional development. We have a number of specialists who are leaders in their chosen fields. Our combination of youth and expertise, commitment and passion, is instrumental in our offering. We strive to help your son be his very best by giving our very best.

Our school has intentionally small classes to give us a very individualised approach to learning. Our supportive and caring environment provides students with the right balance of boundaries and high expectations, helping to stimulate young minds and empower boys to unleash their potential.

MBBC's curriculum is designed around the specific, distinctly different ways boys think and learn, and the emotional support they need to maximise their potential.

We believe our boys should be able to engage in a wide range of academic and co-curricular endeavours, and be free to express themselves in a way that is unlimited by stereotypes.

An all-boys environment also allows us to develop our resources towards the particular needs of boys, from the books they prefer to read to larger sized classrooms, high levels of technology and large, open spaces in which to play and build relationships.

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Powerful tools for lifelong learning



As an International Baccalaureate (IB) World school, Moreton Bay Boys' College offers the great benefits of an internationally recognised approach to education.

Our globally-focused syllabus helps boys connect with the world around them – managing, constructing and deconstructing knowledge and applying it to different contexts and experiences.

Teachers use the Primary Years Program (PYP) and the Middle Years Program (MYP) of the International Baccalaureate to plan inquiry-based, differentiated units covering all aspects of the Australian Curriculum. Ours is an holistic approach to learning, which provides intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills to live, learn and work in a rapidly globalising, ever-changing world.

This international foundation provides the ideal basis for students to choose the best pathway through senior schooling.

Moreton Bay Boys' College is a forerunner in applying new ways of learning for boys, adding exciting, varied curriculum content; methods of teaching, learning and thinking; and using diverse technologies to support our goals.

Our job as educators is to develop the skills and interest in life long education in each student. We provide an inquiry based approach to learning that seeks to foster curiosity about the world, equips our students with the capacity to research, critique and synthesise information, demonstrate the value of collaboration in learning while encouraging independence and resilience, urging them to produce innovative solutions to real life challenges, and teaching them to use a range of media to demonstrate knowledge in general and skills in literacy and numeracy in particular.

MBBC also places great emphasis on relationships, helping our boys to understand themselves, their emotions and their responses to the world around them.

As an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, our IB programmes promote the education of the whole person, emphasizing intellectual, personal, emotional and social growth through all domains of knowledge. The Learner Profile is a profile of the whole person as a lifelong learner.

(IB Learner Profile Booklet 2009)





Individual

learning pathways



Multiple pathways are provided for students to ensure the best possible learning opportunities for every boy.

Just as pathways exist for boys seeking vocational, sporting or cultural success, our program of differentiation means we are able to provide the necessary extension the boys need across the subject areas, avoiding a one size fits all approach to education.

The College has a dedicated Learning Enhancement Program and staff are able to offer students a wide range of stimulating opportunities tailored to suit their needs. Our aim is to provide a pathway that is appropriately rigorous, rich in content, and encourages deep thinking.

Professional support is provided to those students requiring additional instruction, modeling and practice in the specific areas of their study.

MBBC's Career Guidance Program equips students to plan appropriately for their post-school lives and this, combined with their academic results, ensures that our graduates are well-placed to secure entry into the next phase of life's journey, whether that be to secure entry into their chosen field of education or enter a trade or vocational pathway.

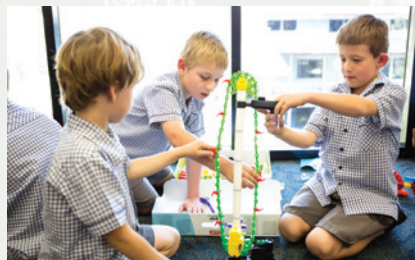
MBBC students have in the past studied Diplomas whilst completing their final years, undertaken apprenticeships or TAFE, as well as commenced tertiary units at University. These students are supported by teachers and contact hours are adjusted to facilitate this additional learning.





Primary School

The primary school caters for the changing needs of the boys as they develop. Specialist teachers enhance our boys' learning experiences beyond the normal scope of the classroom.



Prep – Year 6

Our prep program is designed to lay the foundations for schooling in a way that is stimulating for young minds.

Our smallest learners will be engaged in a variety of activities across all five contexts of learning ie play, real-life situations, investigations, routines and transitions, and focused formal learning and teaching.

Our primary program provides students with a springboard for the mastering of concepts and processes in the curriculum, developing vital social, personal and physical skills. In fostering a positive attitude to learning at this early stage of schooling, we aim to create an eagerness that will assist their development and achievement in later school and adult years.

The teaching program challenges students and demonstrates the rigor and types of assessment tasks to be expected of them at a Senior level, to prepare them for their final years of schooling.

MBBC's primary students are taught through the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program (PYP). The primary school caters for the changing needs of the boys as they mature. Specialist teachers work in collaboration with classroom teachers to create authentic links in student's learning across subject areas.



Secondary School



Our specialist secondary teachers are experienced with the challenges and changes that adolescence brings.

Secondary School

MBBC's Secondary School is an inviting, supportive and safe environment for boys to be themselves. Our teachers value and enjoy working in the secondary school. We foster international-mindedness, sustainability, health, wellness and safety. All students are encouraged to develop their leadership skills through service.

The Middle Years curriculum is taught through the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (MYP). The MYP (Years 7 – 10) aims to develop students who are active learners, internationally minded, able to empathise with others and who have the intellect and skills to pursue lives of purpose and meaning. It is a concept-based, inquiry-driven curriculum based on six

global contexts: identities and relationships, personal and cultural identity, orientations in space and time, scientific and technical innovation, fairness and development, and globalisation and sustainability which culminates in a year-long personal project.

It provides core learning enhanced by a wide variety of subjects designed to broaden the experiences of the boys. We use multiple learning and teaching approaches that respond to our students' diversity. Our assessment and evaluation programs promote quality learning and encourage our students to be life-long learners.

Secondary School

Preparing each boy to
chart his own path
into the world



Year 10

Year 10 is a transition year for our boys, with the teaching program specifically designed to assist them in preparing for their senior course of study and the Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE), by allowing them to 'test run' subject choices and assessment practices. The QCE is highly flexible and allows boys to progress down multiple pathways to achieve their Senior Statement.

The boys' study, undertaken within the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (MYP) includes core subjects and elective subjects, based on their individual interests and needs. This culminates with a major personal project utilising skills acquired through the MYP, and covering the subject of their choice within the areas of environment, community service, health and social education, or human ingenuity.

Year 10 marks the beginning of a personally tailored study program and is foundational for career development and continues into their senior years.

Multiple pathways offer students the opportunity to reach their individual post school destination upon graduation.

Years 11 and 12

The senior curriculum includes core subjects and elective subjects based on boys' individual interests and needs, with a breadth of options to explore. Subjects and delivery are varied, and content is exciting and relevant, providing students with a challenging and engaging program that will propel them into their future endeavours.

Programs may include academic subjects, school-based apprenticeships, vocational studies on campus, or a combination of on and off-campus arrangements, including work placement. Whichever it is your son chooses, MBBC provides him with the guidance and support to get there.

At the same time as participating in compulsory and elective studies, all students are provided with the opportunity to pursue their chosen area of interest or enterprise, such as work placement, traineeships, individual sporting excellence, individual cultural excellence, an extended research project or professional mentoring.

Boys also continue their journey by focusing on Christian values, personal development, social skills and health education, all of which began in the early years of schooling.



Leaders in innovation



Located in the thriving eastern suburbs of Brisbane, Moreton Bay Boys' College has sweeping open spaces and breathtaking views, only minutes from sparkling Moreton Bay and less than 15kms from the city centre.

Our College is wifi optimised to allow students to study and learn in all areas of the school including the outdoor classroom, library or classroom. Our BYO Device program allows students to bring in a device as specified by the College.

MBBC is at the forefront of technology providing online portals for assignment submission, uniform purchases, lunch ordering and communication to the College Community via our College app and social media pages. We have tech support on hand and dedicated IPT teaching staff to assist.

The Dr Roderick Crouch Senior Studies Centre features a 120-seat lecture theatre preparing the boys for a seamless transition to university. A custom built recording studio, well equipped music rooms, art rooms, drama precinct as well as design and technology studio allow the boys freedom to create, dream and inspire.

Beyond the classrooms, the College has a football oval, tennis and basketball courts, cricket nets, an indoor volleyball/basketball and dodge ball courts, a multi purpose hall and weights studio, a larger than life size grassed chess set, long jump, discus and shot put arenas as well as access to the nearby Moreton Bay College facilities of 50m pool, gymnasiums, and music auditorium.

We are fortunate to have a 5.5 hectare nature reserve on our campus, which is used for environmental study, biological and science experiments by the boys. MBBC has one of Australia's only custom built mountain bike tracks within its campus grounds. The College has taken very conscientious steps to reduce its carbon footprint with mindful building and planting, water conservation and energy harnessing and has won many regional and state awards for sustainability.

Dedicated school bus runs service the entire south eastern Brisbane area, providing convenient, easy access to MBBC.

MBBC's facilities are designed for optimum learning in a stunning, natural environment.

MBBC curriculum



Student destinations

Our MBBC Old Boys are currently studying and working in a variety of fields including architecture, medicine, science, engineering, community services, the arts and national defence. Of note is the variety of career pathways our graduates have chosen. The range is diverse and reflects the boys' individuality. These young men have the world at their feet and through their application and hard work have established the skills, attitudes and values that will stand them in good stead throughout their lives.

While commending the graduates on their achievement, the College also acknowledges the teachers who give so willingly of their knowledge, expertise and out of hours time to supporting the academic and co-curricular pursuits of the students, as well as the commitment and support of the boys' families who enter into a partnership with the College while their sons are with us.

While the final year results are just one indicator of the rich and varied education that boys receive at Moreton Bay Boys' College, they are the keys that unlock doorways to the future.



Learning Area	Years P – 6	Years 7 – 9	Year 10	Years 11 – 12
Language	English	Language & Literature (English)	Language & Literature (English)	English
Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics A Mathematics B Mathematics C
Science	Science	Science	Science	Biology Chemistry Physics
Humanities	Social Studies History Geography	Individuals and Societies History/Geography	Individuals and Societies	Ancient History Economics Geography Legal Studies
Language Acquisition	Spanish (Year 2 – 6)	Spanish or Japanese (Year 7) Spanish or Japanese (Year 8) Spanish or Japanese (Year 9)	Japanese Elective Spanish Elective	Japanese Spanish
The Arts	Visual Art Music Singing	Visual Art Music (1 semester) Drama (1 semester)	Visual Art (1 semester) Music (1 semester) Drama (1 semester)	Visual Art Music Drama
Health and Physical Education (HPE)	Physical, Social & Personal Education	Health & Physical Education	Health & Physical Education Certificate III Fitness (Elective)	Health Education Physical Education
Design & Technology		Design	Design (1 Semester) IPT Elective	Graphics Engineering Technology IPT
Religion	Religion	Religion	Religion	Religion



Developing the leaders of tomorrow



Our teaching is designed not only to prepare graduates for a lifetime of learning but also to turn out the leaders the world will need for the future. That is why we educate the heart as much as the mind.

We take the responsibility of caring for your son very seriously.

Our balanced approach to schooling encourages boys to build quality relationships with others and the world around them. We teach our boys to be independent in thought and action to enjoy the freedom of self expression, and to value real and honest communication. We help him develop a Christian value system to live his life by and a dedication to achieving personal excellence. MBBC encourages each child to aim for the stars, and believe in all he can be, taking on every opportunity to develop his personal best. Whether it is a star earned in a boy's award book, or a standing ovation from his peers, we celebrate achievements in all areas of learning. Just as importantly, we teach him how to be resilient and accept risk and failures. Leadership and service are fundamental features of our program, inspiring our boys to be part of something bigger than themselves, and helping to build even better communities.



These skills are part of the MBBC boys' emotional intelligence toolkit. They are taught within a context of high expectations and engagement with the IB Learner Profile, encouraging each boy to explore the following attributes of: Thinker, Learner, Inquirer, Knowledgeable, Caring, Communicator, Principled, Balanced, Risk-Taker, Reflective and Open-Minded.

In Primary School, boys are involved in buddy relationships, with older boys supporting the younger boys in activities such as reading. They also engage in class-based programs which focus on developing the Learner Profile Attributes through the exploration of their PYP inquiry questions.

In Secondary School, Pastoral Care uses the MYP inquiry process to help our students strengthen their sense of personal identity and belonging, become aware and respectful of their mind, body and spirit and understand that leadership involves giving back to the community via

gifts, talents, commitment and service; and developing care and respect for their living environments.

Students in the Secondary School meet regularly under the guidance of their House teacher who focuses on the personal, social and academic development of the boys. Activities include mentoring younger students, resume writing, mock interviews, the Duke of Edinburgh program, youth driver awareness training and career guidance. Many of these activities are undertaken in conjunction with Moreton Bay College students.

Our student leadership model encourages boys to build their leadership skills by providing opportunities for all boys from Prep to Year 12 to lead assembly and Chapel. Boys in Year 12 also have the opportunity to commit themselves to formal leadership positions across academic, sporting, cultural, spiritual and service to the community.

A school for the community

The MBBC community is welcoming and supportive, and offers a great sense of belonging.

There are many ways you can be part of our active community – from spending time in the classroom, to coaching sporting teams or being part of the Parents & Friends association. We look forward to welcoming you and your son into the MBBC community.

Many of our families also have daughters at Moreton Bay College, MBBC's sister school, and one of Brisbane's highest achieving schools. Both schools share a strong sense of community and a commitment to individualised attention for every child.

The MBC/MBBC combination offers a wonderful opportunity for families to educate all their children conveniently in one general location, have them participate in select coeducational activities (social, cultural, sporting and academic), yet gain the maximum educational benefits that single sex schools can offer.





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