

Whatever your future holds ...

*Know you can.*





# Know God.

## Catholic Foundation – We are a faith filled community creating a better future.

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### **St Peter Claver College perpetuates the values of Saint Peter Claver (1580 – 1654), a Jesuit priest and missionary.**

St Peter Claver worked with the slaves in Columbia, South America for freedom and the humane treatment of all people, against oppressive challenges and ultimately for the growth of mutual respect and love.

Due to his life's work he became the Patron Saint of Slaves and in 1896 Pope Leo declared Saint Peter Claver the Patron Saint of African Missions. He is also the Patron Saint of Seafarers. His life was dedicated to God, promoting liberty and defending human rights. He showed us an example of concern for the human

condition, heroic love and acts of justice. These values are evident at St Peter Claver College today.

St Peter Claver College was founded in 1976; at that time the College became a Catholic secondary pathway option for primary students from Sacred Heart School, Booval. The presence of the Sisters of Mercy was an important influence in the College in its early years. Today St Peter Claver College is a member of Marist Schools Australia and has a current enrolment of approximately 1100 students.

The Marist, Mercy and Jesuit influences combine to form this remarkable Catholic College which lives the motto of *Concern, Love and Justice*.



# Concern **Love** Justice.

## The St Peter Claver College Motto

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**St Peter Claver College is a welcoming and inclusive community founded on the values of *Concern, Love and Justice*. Acceptance of everyone and their individual differences is a priority in developing good relationships.**

The College draws from 40+ different primary feeder schools, resulting in an incredibly diverse and culturally rich school population.

The leadership team at St Peter Claver College believe in developing strong relationships with parents, students and the wider community. New families are warmly welcomed and encouraged to participate in all activities, helping to ensure students settle into the Claver College community with ease.

The College has a strong connection with the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and acknowledges that St Peter Claver College is built on the traditional lands of the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul people.

**St Peter Claver is a Catholic Co-educational Secondary College offering an affordable, high quality education for students in Years 7 – 12.**

### MISSION

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To provide a Catholic co-educational learning environment which celebrates the uniqueness of each individual, strives for excellence and lives the values of *Concern, Love and Justice*.

**It's the strong sense of  
community that sets  
St Peter Claver College  
apart from other schools.**

*Know you're welcome.*

## **Mr Terry Finan - Principal**

**Through St Peter Claver College's tailored academic programs, broad curriculum, individualised learning and our motivational approach, we want to ensure our students are prepared for their future, whatever that might be.**

We understand that one of your greatest concerns is how you are going to prepare your child for a fulfilling and successful future. With so many jobs not created yet, the opportunities ahead of modern day students are endless.

St Peter Claver College's academic offering appeals to the full spectrum of learner types and places a high value on making high

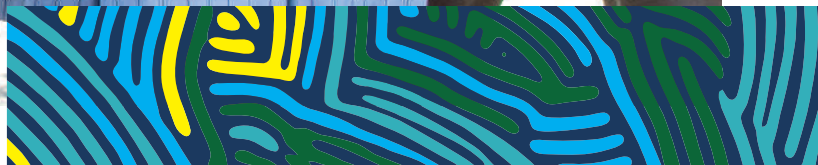
quality education accessible to all families in the community. St Peter Claver College has consistently demonstrated growth in NAPLAN scores. Comparing students' Year 7 results to their Year 9 results we see a huge improvement. Our recent Senior academic results are evidence that Claver students can excel and reach the highest possible standards.

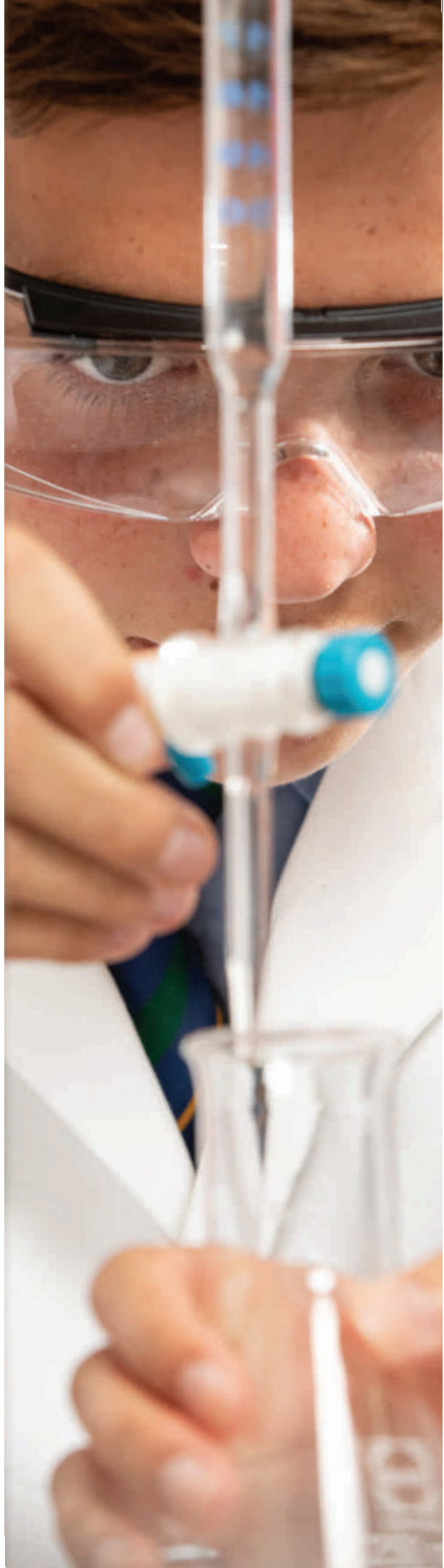
Outside the classroom, our College provides a broad range of cultural and sporting opportunities and Identity and Mission Outreach experiences. Our students are encouraged to involve themselves in social justice programs and I believe this is important, as it supports the strengthening of resilience and a greater understanding of their own spirituality in a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment.

The establishment of a vertical House pastoral structure, an emphasis on grounds beautification programs, a College-sponsored bus service, the implementation of 'The Responsible Thinking Process', a multi-stage building program and the development of a dynamic curriculum have been significant influences in shaping Claver as a progressive school of the future.

St Peter Claver College is a friendly and welcoming community – a community of Hope, of Love, of Justice and of Acceptance of everyone and their individual differences. I am proud to lead this wonderful educational community and I look forward to welcoming you to the Claver community.

**Mr Terry Finan  
Principal**







Know you want to.

## Middle Years – Years 7, 8 and 9

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**Student motivation and engagement in the Middle Years is positively influenced through pro-actively tailoring approaches in learning and teaching environments.**

The Middle Years plays a critical role in developing foundational skills in literacy, numeracy, critical and creative thinking, teamwork and collaboration, as well as information and communication technology.

Traditionally, student disengagement, alienation and boredom peak in Middle Years. This can have a negative impact on the learning ability of young adolescents, their ability to manage emotional, social and moral challenges and can lead to a decline in achievement.

In response, St Peter Claver College has proactively developed a curriculum tailored to meet the needs of young adolescents. This curriculum, delivered by high quality, energetic and motivated teaching staff, is designed to move each learner forward from their current level by connecting with students' interests and learning needs. Personal and social capabilities are positively challenged through supportive relationships matched with consistently high expectations.

St Peter Claver College provides accelerated programs in Middle Years Mathematics, English, Science and Humanities, allowing students to access extension programs designed to empower students to work faster and harder and at curriculum year levels above their peers.



# Know you're ready.

## Senior Years – Years 10, 11 and 12

**Our Senior Years Program is designed to prepare and motivate students for success in the real world.**

St Peter Claver College offers an impressive combination of academic, vocational, technological, cultural, artistic, sporting and leadership pathways designed to motivate and prepare students for future success. For all students, this will involve some level of future education, either at University, training institutes or on-the-job training.

St Peter Claver College has a proven track record of successfully individualising our learning programs to cater for elite academic students striving for a high ATAR, to those looking to industry experience via School-based Apprenticeships in Senior schooling. Genuine personalisation and individualisation of learning programs is part of the St Peter Claver College difference.


Students work with highly engaged course mentors for subject selection and to regularly review their chosen path. Guidance in career choices is provided for all Senior Years students and spans numerous learning pathways, including university, college and vocational options as well as providing work experience and extensive traineeship/apprenticeship opportunities.

St Peter Claver College offers a range of vocational qualifications across a number of training package areas. These qualifications are nationally recognised and provide pathways for students who wish to consider a work pathway or those who wish to study further at University or TAFE. Vocational pathways are well supported through the College Careers Office assisting students to find School-based Apprenticeships and traineeships.









Our staff are committed to the total development of each young person.

# We know you can.

## Passionate, Supportive Teaching Staff

**Students are supported by a hardworking, highly motivated team of high-quality teaching staff.**

St Peter Claver College teaching staff are students at heart, they are the high achievers, the go getters, the ones that genuinely want to spend the time getting to know each student and going the extra mile just to ensure they reach their full potential.

Our staff are committed to the total development of each young person within a framework of care and love. They are passionate, supportive and maintain high expectations, challenging our students to do their best in all things.

St Peter Claver College teaching staff help each student to discover the spark within them. They nurture this spark thorough support and dedication to each student, driving them to achieve their best, to push themselves, to be their best.



# Know you'll belong.

## School Culture

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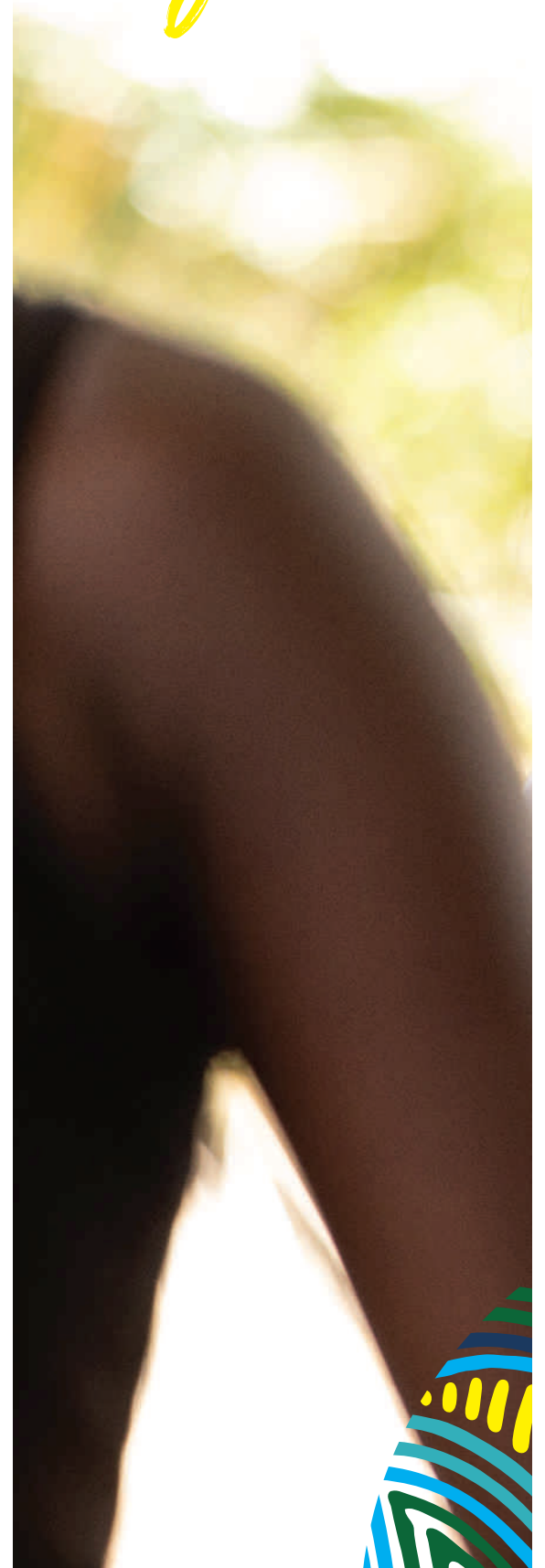
**At St Peter Claver College we teach the values that last a lifetime such as faith, kindness, honesty and compassion. This happens in a context that celebrates the arts and culture, fosters spiritual, academic and personal growth and invites students to participate in creating a world they wish to live in.**

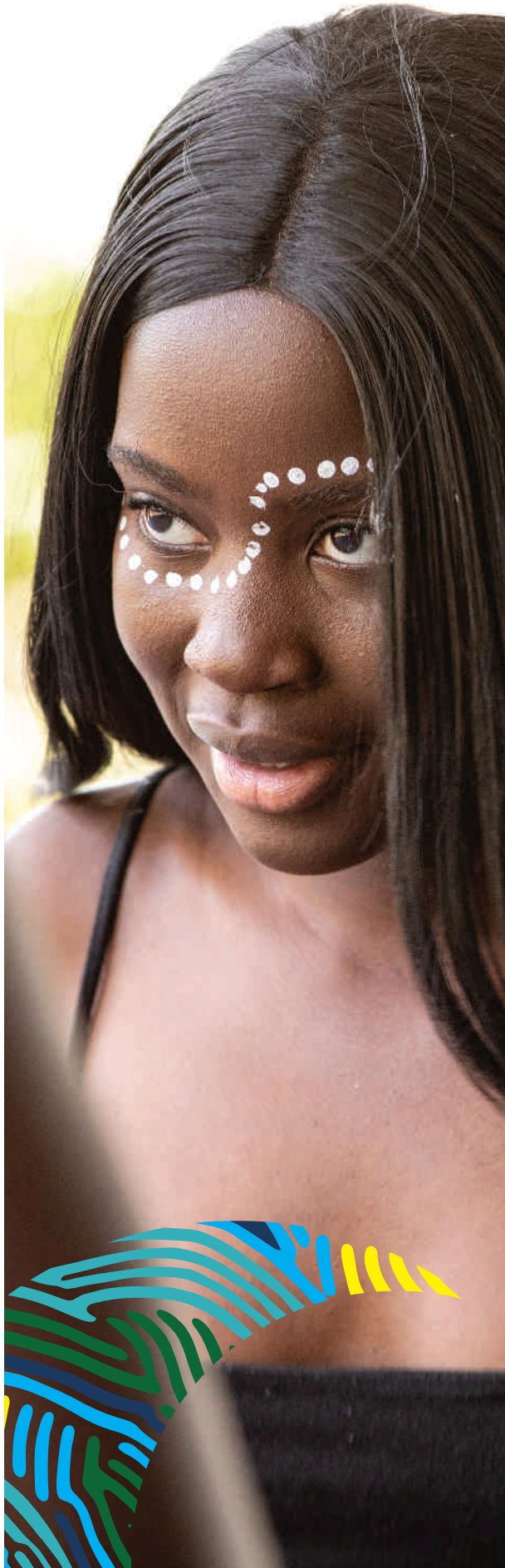
Research tells us that the single most effective protective factor for young people is feeling a sense of belonging. At St Peter Claver we offer students multiple ways to belong.

The traditions of hospitality, welcome and inclusion were laid down very early in this community as many Vietnamese families seeking safety in Australia were welcomed at St Peter Claver during the late 1970s and early 1980s. Currently some 27 different cultures are represented at St Peter Claver College. This is something we embrace and celebrate. We are privileged to enjoy a harmonious relationship between students from all cultural backgrounds. To support this, our College has a number of staff dedicated to promoting culture and identity.

Intercultural understanding is developed through the curriculum and through inclusion of culturally rich experiences. The College provides a broad range of art, cultural and sporting opportunities. Cultural Dance is offered and incorporated as an important aspect of College life. The mission of the College provides a framework for social justice, service and outreach experiences.

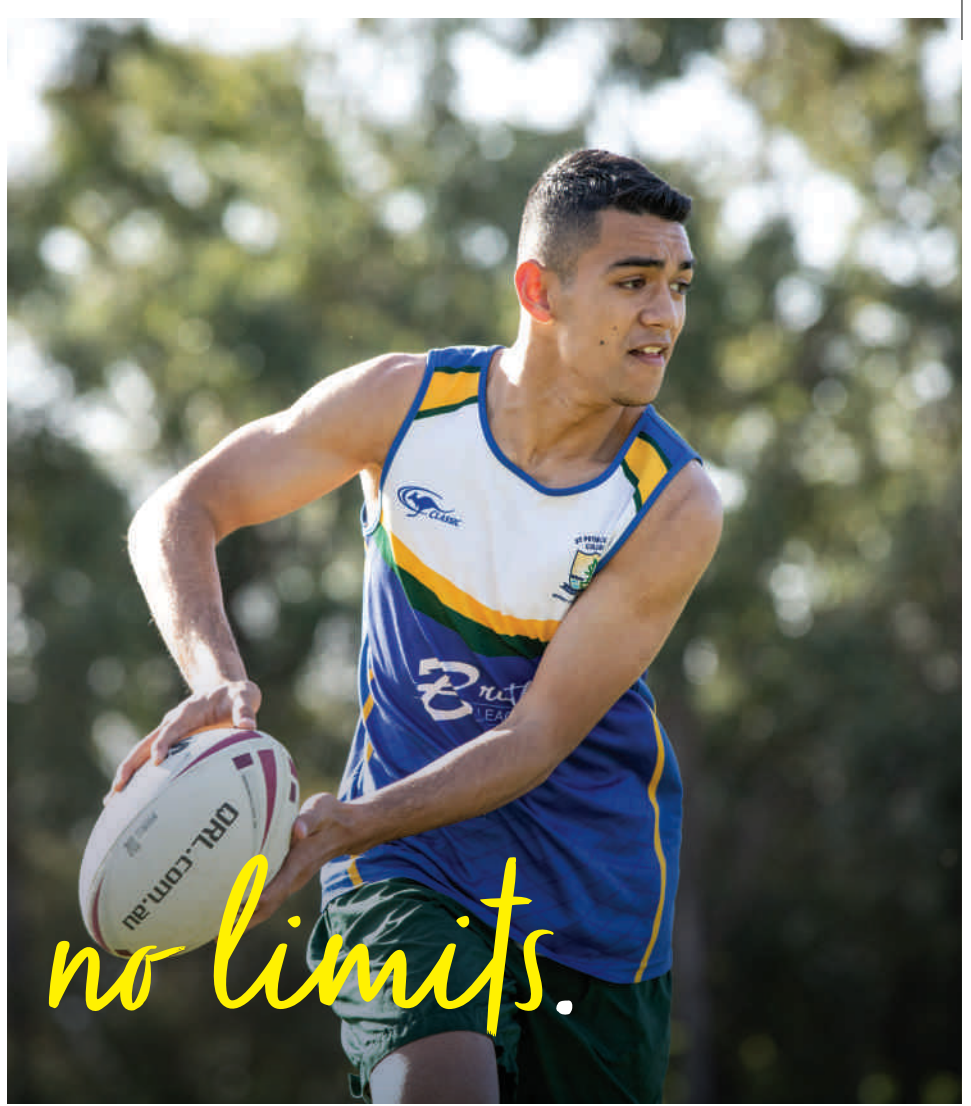
We are committed to helping students discover their spark, discover their strengths and discover their spirit.





Know

no limits.



# Sporting Activities

**St Peter Claver College has a proud and rich history of co-curricular sport, offering a wide variety of activities for every student.**

From inter-house competitions including Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals. To our local inter-school competition, Combined Ipswich Secondary Schools Sporting Association (CISSSA) with premiership winning schools, then moving into the Metropolitan District Competition. Finally, our elite sport specific competitions and carnivals.

Our Sport Program, in conjunction with our experienced coaching staff play an integral role in assisting athletes to represent the College at the District, Regional, State and National levels.

## RUGBY LEAGUE

- Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Rugby League (QISSRL) Confraternity Carnival
- Broncos Schoolboys Challenge:
  - Opens
  - 9/10
  - 7/8
- Ipswich School Girls Challenge
- Karen Murphy Cup
- CISSSA
- Metropolitan District Competition

## NETBALL

- Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Netball (QISSN) Carnival
- Vicki Wilson Cup & Shield
- Queensland Catholic Schools Cup
- CISSSA
- Metropolitan District Competition

## BASKETBALL

- Champion Basketball Schools Queensland:
  - Open
  - Junior Secondary
- CISSSA
- Metropolitan District Competition

## FUTSAL

- Australian Futsal Association Titles:
  - SEQ School Titles
  - QLD Champion of Champions
  - Australian Champion of Champions
- Chantelle Cramb Cup
- Coomera Cup
- CISSSA

## FOOTBALL

- uhlsport Cup
- Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Football Association Cup (ISSA)
- CISSSA
- Metropolitan District Competition

## SOFTBALL

- CISSSA
- Metropolitan District Competition

## TOUCH FOOTBALL

- CISSSA
- Metropolitan District Competition





# Know you're supported.

## Our Facilities

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### **The quality of the College facilities gives our students equal access to opportunities.**

St Peter Claver College is surrounded by a 14-hectare preserved natural bushland environment offering plenty of space for modern facilities and growth.

The College has a Master Plan for continued upgrading of our facilities. In recent years we have constructed a modern Visual Art facility, a Trade Training Centre for Construction and Engineering, and a high tech Learning Commons to support E-Learning. New facilities about to be delivered within this Master Plan include a Performing Arts Hub and Industrial Design and Technology Building.

### **St Peter Claver College facilities include:**

- Learning Commons and Seminar Rooms
- Multipurpose Centre
- Performing Arts Centre for Dance, Drama & Music
- Film and Media Labs
- Six Science Labs
- Industrial Design Block
- Food and Textile Design Block
- Vocational & Careers Office
- Industry Standard Hospitality Kitchen and Restaurant
- Inclusive Education Specialty Rooms
- Middle Years Centre
- Claver Clinic – Health Care Training Room
- Two Sports Ovals
- Netball, Basketball, Volleyball and Futsal Courts
- Trade Training Centre
- Gym
- Visual Arts Centre







St Peter Claver College has one of the most successful secondary school Dance programs in Queensland.



# Know your *passion.*

## Cultural Programs

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**The wide range of rich and vibrant cultural programs helps students to uncover their true passion.**

St Peter Claver College provides extensive opportunities for students in both curricular and extra-curricular cultural programs.

**These programs include:**

- An instrumental music and choral program
- Drama Club
- Film and Media Club
- Art Club
- Debating
- Computer based interactive strategy games and eSports
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, African and Pasifika dance activities

### DANCE

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St Peter Claver College has one of the most successful secondary school Dance programs in Queensland. The Claver Creative Dance Program offers students the opportunity to develop self-confidence, physical fitness, organisational skills, goal setting, perseverance, responsibility and leadership for their lifelong learning journeys. Dancers can work with a number of professional choreographers and develop their dancing to their full potential.



## Whatever your future holds ...

St Peter Claver College caters for and supports all students with vastly different post-schooling pathways.

We have a proven track record of successfully individualising our learning programs to cater for elite academic students chasing a high ATAR all the way across to those looking for industry experience via School-based Apprenticeships in Senior schooling.

***We know you can.***  
Here's how you can find out more...

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