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King's Christian College Sports Complex.  
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Senior Pastor Hillsong Church

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

*"Who you are speaks louder than what you say"*

At King's, we are a Christian school. Our aim is to work in partnership with parents, through a shared ethos and set of values, to prepare children for a successful future adult life.

That is why we place so much emphasis on selecting staff not only for their academic qualifications, but who also have a commitment to please God in their own character as well as a passion to help young people succeed.

Over the years, King's students have performed remarkably well in all areas of school endeavours. Academic, cultural and sporting accomplishments have far exceeded what would be considered average in Queensland.

Success in life flows not only from ability and acquired skill, but also from well developed character. We aim to cultivate attitudes in our students that will lead them to success in all areas of their lives.

It isn't realistic to expect all students to achieve academic results in the top 2% band. However, at King's we do expect each of our students to strive to achieve their potential academically; to exhibit behaviours appropriate to their age and to grow in character as they mature. We believe that each

person is unique, endowed with special talents and able to grow into the person God desires of him or her.

King's is a modern school that operates with traditional, proven Christian values. We provide an education that is affordable and aimed at laying the foundations for a successful life.



Mr Rees Davis  
College Principal



## HISTORY AND VISION

The foundations for King's were laid through a vision for a strong Christian school on the Gold Coast. The first class began in 1980 with 23 students in temporary premises. From that time, the school has grown steadily. Today, we operate two campuses and cater for over 1800 students.

From our modest beginnings of one class on 26 acres of bushland in Reedy Creek, our students now enjoy the very latest facilities. Our planned building program at Reedy Creek has created distinct and separate areas for early learning, primary and secondary schooling. We achieved this while maintaining a close-knit community across the school. This allows a smooth transition for students as they progress through their school life on the one campus. Our second campus at Pimpama is designed with the same philosophy and will grow with that community.

Dedicated facilities cater for a wide variety of curricula and co-curricular activities. These include specialised teaching and learning spaces for art, science, industrial design, music, drama and dance as well as flexible learning spaces, libraries and a lecture theatre. Our sports fields, courts and start-of-the-art sports centre are in constant use by students.

One of the strengths of King's is the consistency of leadership and vision we have enjoyed from

our inception. Many of our founders still keep an association with the school and most of the members of the College Board have served for many years. Their vision and goals for the school have remained consistent since our foundation.





## OUR PHILOSOPHY

We believe that the school community should be an extension of the home environment, reflecting the love and security upon which a child's development is so dependent.

We see our role as forming partnerships with parents to educate their children.



Within a Christian context, we aim to nourish the growth of the whole person - intellectually, physically, emotionally, spiritually and socially. We believe that this growth should be firmly based on the student's growing personal relationship with God and other people.

We believe growth is best achieved in a personal environment that has firm boundaries within

mutual respect between parents, teachers and students. Respect involves treating other people as you would like to be treated yourself and a discipline program which aims for restoration of relationships.

A high level of care is provided with the expectation that as students journey through the school, they develop self respect and self discipline.

### MISSION

*"Educating Students in Christian Leadership for Tomorrow's Generation"*

The traits of true leadership are not derived from position; rather they are demonstrated by a person's character, beliefs and values, and the application of skills and knowledge. In short, it is what a person does and how he or she responds to circumstances that displays true leadership. We believe that every student can be a leader in his or her chosen field and be a person of influence to their generation.

### VISION

*"To be the exemplar Christian School in Australia"*

King's is the largest and one of the most successful Christian schools in Australia. It is our goal to provide a model across all aspects of College life that other Christian schools would want to follow.



## LIFE AT KING'S

Our aim is to provide a balanced program that provides for the growth of the whole person - intellectually, physically, emotionally, spiritually and socially. Our programs are designed to give our students the widest possible range of opportunities and experiences to achieve this goal.



### ACADEMIC

All students are given the opportunity to develop their gifts and talents within the school environment and wider community. In the early years, considerable focus is placed on ensuring each student grasps the fundamentals of literacy and numeracy. If necessary, individual programs are created for students so that these basic building blocks of learning are well understood.

As students grow in confidence and progress through the school, they are increasingly challenged and extended. One of our aims is to deliver a relevant, challenging and rewarding curriculum that stirs the imagination and develops a life-long love of learning.

In the High School, a wide range of subject choices gives students the opportunity to prepare for the myriad of possibilities available to them in their adult lives.

### SPORT

Sport and PE play a significant role in life at King's. Our specialist PE teachers run programs that introduce skills, as well as develop character and self discipline. King's is part of the Associated Private Schools (APS) competition. This allows students to compete against other schools in team and individual sports. Many of our students have gone on to represent the school at regional, state and national levels.



## LIFE AT KING'S

### ARTS

Strength in visual and performing arts is a feature of King's. Throughout the year, students have many opportunities to display their artistic talents through art exhibitions, plays, musicals, rock eisteddfods, concerts and music or dance performances. Many of our students have won awards either as individuals or as part of larger productions.

### CO-CURRICULAR

Our extensive co-curricular program is designed to expose students to activities that they may not otherwise have access to. Each term, students select from an extensive range of activities that allow them to widen their horizons, develop new skills or extend their classroom experiences.

### CHRISTIAN LIVING PROGRAM

Our mission is to "Educate students in Christian leadership for tomorrow's generation". The goal of our Christian Living program is to produce students who will demonstrate Christ-like behaviour as they go about their daily lives. The program is integrated into the overall curriculum and each teacher is responsible for the formal instruction as well as imparting the spirit of the program.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

We have a multi-cultural society at King's where respect and strong, positive cross-cultural relationships are encouraged. Many countries and cultures are represented in our student body and we employ specialist staff to teach and nurture students from other countries.





## EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

Noah's Ark Pre School and Child Care Centre is an integral part of the College, welcoming children and their families into the school community. 'Noah's Ark' bridges the gap between home and school. In a caring Christian environment, our experienced child care staff provide a program which encourages children to be active thinkers, using their senses to make enquiries and to work towards solving problems. Adult / child interactions are based on the premise that all children need love and security, new experiences to challenge and enjoy, praise, recognition and encouragement, responsibility and choices.

At 'Noah's Ark', we believe that the goal of effective guidance is to assist children to become confident, fully functioning individuals. A positive approach is taken as we work in partnership with families to assist children in their growth and development.

With its location on the College campus, children readily become familiar with the sights and sounds of the College. This familiarity eases the transition to Prep - the first phase of primary schooling.

Noah's Ark consists of a junior kindy class which accepts children from 2 1/2 years of age; a senior kindy class; and Pre-Prep classes.

The Pre-Prep classes are designed for those children who are due to start Prep the following year. These classes help children prepare for the start of school. Pre-Prep has a special emphasis on the social and emotional aspects of each child's development - which is so important for a smooth and confident transition into school.



In Pre-Prep, teachers introduce activities designed to build foundational numeracy and literacy skills. As the year progresses, teachers will also introduce children to the facilities of the primary school, such as visiting the library. These activities help build the familiarity with the primary school that allows many children to start school as happy and confident learners.

Pre-Prep at Noah's Ark is the preferred entry point into primary school at King's Christian College.



## PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Primary School at King's is a world of discovery. We meet new friends and learn to build relationships that can last a lifetime. In a safe and encouraging environment, students discover God's world, they experiment and experience many 'firsts'.

The foundations of learning are formed and, once understood, students are challenged and inspired as they apply their new-found knowledge.

Students begin to understand their unique place in God's world and develop their own special gifts while the virtues of respect, honesty and hard work are nurtured.

The pastoral aspect of school life is a major component of our campus activity. Each member of staff has a commitment to the spiritual and psychological welfare of our students. A major part of our weekly chapel and Christian Living program is focused on this goal.

Our academic standards are very high. Results from national testing regularly show King's students scoring higher than state and national averages. Our innovative Infinity program encourages higher order thinking and develops learning skills.

A new world of cultural and physical pursuits opens up. Students are able to learn skills in dance, drama, music and art. Throughout the year, there are many opportunities to showcase their developing talents both at school and external events.



Physical Education and the development of sporting skills is part of the weekly program throughout their primary years. A competitive inter-school sports program, as part of the Gold Coast Associated Private Schools, is available and frequently our students achieve regional, state and sometimes national representative honours.

Our goal is to see each student grow in knowledge and wisdom and to develop confidence in the special and unique person they are in Christ.



## HIGH SCHOOL

Life at King's is designed to help students develop their sense of identity, their faith and their personal responsibility towards others while striving for excellence in their academic studies.

Academic opportunities, together with sporting, artistic and cultural pursuits form the backbone of the High School at King's. However, it is the development of a young person's character that will determine success in life. Therefore, emphasis is placed on the development of faith, strength, family values, and a sense of discovery, optimism, success and integrity. It is these elements that make the King's experience unique and produce graduates with a strong Christian character who are well prepared for adult life.

Students develop and showcase their sporting talents through the Associated Private Schools



(APS) competition. Often, this is a stepping stone to regional, state and sometimes national representative honours.

The visual and performing arts are strengths of our College. There are many opportunities throughout the year for students to showcase their skills in dance, music, drama and the visual arts.

All students are involved in the Pastoral Care program that aids their personal, spiritual and social development. The values established through the wide variety of outdoor activities, camps and relationship-building events develop young adults with the ability and skills to lead in their area of influence.



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