



**CALOUNDRA
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE**
FOUNDATIONS FOR LIFE



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Nurturing each child's uniqueness
and helping each student reach their true potential -
academically, spiritually and personally

Prospectus K - 12



Our College

Situated at the gateway to the CBD of Caloundra City, Caloundra Christian College provides quality education to the families of the Sunshine Coast. Since its foundation in 1983 as a ministry of Caloundra Baptist Church, it has grown to encompass families from all over the coast.

The College vision has always been to empower children to take their place as responsible citizens in society. Delivering that vision is a devoted team of Christian teachers. They are highly qualified and motivated to provide a personally developed pathway for each learner.

As a Christian school, Caloundra Christian College believes the foundations for life are established at home. When children enter school through the Kindy or Prep year, they come under the care of dedicated teachers who continue to build on this foundation for life through a Christ-centred view of education.

Our Vision, Mission & Values

Our Vision:

To grow into Christ.

Our Mission:

To provide quality Christ-centred education, strong foundations for life and learning.

Our Values: ARISE

Achievement

Respect & Relationship

Identity

Service

Excellence



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Dear Parents,

On behalf of our College I extend to you a warm and sincere welcome.

Caloundra Christian College is a great school. We provide a quality, diverse curriculum that prepares our students to meet the challenges of both personal and community life.

Speak to our families and you'll hear of the caring and supportive nature of our staff. Students benefit educationally when parents, students and teachers work in partnership, with Christ at the centre of each relationship.

One of the great privileges we have is to see the growth that happens across the years in each child. Regularly,

students who have graduated return to share something of their success in their years beyond school. In this way it is encouraging to see the fruit produced from seeds sown during their time at the College.

I encourage you to explore further how Caloundra Christian College can assist your child in establishing strong foundations for their life and learning.

I would love the opportunity to meet with you and share the many exciting things unique to our College.

May God bless you as you journey through this most important time.

*Mark Hodges
Principal*



Proverbs 2:6
For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth
come knowledge and understanding.



Primary - Prep

As students start Prep and formal learning, they enter a vibrant and creative environment. Our Prep classrooms are a mosaic of colour, shape, movement and sounds where foundations are laid for a life of learning.

Class activities are designed to build their identities as unique individuals, develop self-esteem and foster a love of independent and co-operative learning.

There is ample opportunity for hands-on, inquiry learning and play-based problem solving. Programs are designed to foster an atmosphere of community where all students are valued and positive social relationships established.

Features include:

- Air-conditioned modern classrooms and facilities
- Seeds of independent and active learning
- Richly resourced lessons
- Integration with Junior Primary
- Specialist-led classes in PE, music and Japanese commence in Prep

Pre-Kindy / Kindy - Ages 3 to 5

At Caloundra Christian Community Kindergarten, we view the early years as important stepping-stones to future educational experiences. We seek to create life long learners who are curious, ask questions, take learning risks and learn from their mistakes as well as their successes.

Research has shown play provides the most appropriate stimulus for brain development, therefore, we offer a play-based curriculum. Play is the natural way for children to discover, create and learn to become objective, independent thinkers while experiencing all the joy and delights of childhood.

The age group for our kindergarten program is children who turn four years old by 30 June in the year they attend (i.e. children in the year immediately prior to the Prep year). Younger children (turning three by 30 June) may attend the Pre-Kindy program. Kindy offers the option of an extended day program from 8:00am to 4:00pm.

Primary - Years 1 to 6

Building on the Prep foundations, the Primary years (Years 1 - 6) begin to develop a systematic approach to education across all key learning areas. Classrooms and activities are child-centred, providing a balance between the spiritual, social, academic, cultural and physical journey of each child.

Celebration is important whether it be through the weekly chapel service, Grandparents' Day, the annual musical or participation in week-long themes such as Book and Science weeks.

The following are some of the many features in Primary:

- Individual differences, developmental stages, learning rates and creative interests are recognised
- Access to technologies for the digital generation
- Building relationship skills and resilience



Proverbs 22:6

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.



- Violin program in Years 3 and 4 for all students
- Progressive camp program to promote educational and social well-being
- *Active After School Communities* program providing a range of sporting activities.

The Primary School also enjoys a diverse engagement with local independent schools through interschool sports for Years 4 - 6, debating, leadership day and a gifted and talented camp for Year 6.

Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)

OSHC is available for all Primary students for After School Care & Vacation Care. We offer a safe, welcoming and stimulating age appropriate environment that caters for all children's individual interests and needs.

OSHC is a wonderful time for children to interact and socialise with students of various ages.



Middle School - Years 7 to 9

Middle School bridges the gap between Primary and Senior schooling by offering a broad range of educational experiences that are interesting, engaging, challenging, relevant and fun.

During these first years of secondary schooling each child is encouraged to discover his or her God-given potential. Students are directed in investigating a wide range of subjects, and in developing work and study habits in preparing for their Senior schooling years.

Students enjoy a varied curriculum of core subjects along with a wide range of electives. The latter enables students to make more informed decisions when making Senior School subject choices.

The Middle School program focuses on achievement in the academic, cultural and sporting arenas. Recognising and celebrating such achievements builds community amongst the students.

Senior School - Years 10 to 12

Building upon the strong foundations of previous years, our goal is to see Senior students empowered in their learning, whilst embracing their future pathways.

Caloundra Christian College offers a diverse Senior program which supports both academic and vocational curriculum streams as pathways of first choice.

All Senior subjects are supported with an extensive program approved by the Queensland Studies Authority. Senior student outcomes are further enhanced with opportunities to study at tertiary institutions within their secondary access programs (eg. Headstart at USC).

With a broader curriculum emphasis on Leadership Development, Peer Mentoring and Community Service combined with an active Chapel and Student Welfare program, Senior students are actively engaged in preparing for an exciting future.



Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD,
plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.

Beyond the Classroom

At Caloundra Christian College, we believe learning and personal growth extends beyond the classroom. We offer an exciting range of activities that cater for diverse abilities and interests, providing avenues for building friendships, life long interests, self confidence and self esteem. Students who have special talent in a particular area are encouraged to participate in activities designed to foster and enhance their skills.

Music

Students have ample opportunity to develop and explore their musical interests. All Year 3 and 4 students undertake violin tuition at no additional cost. Private individual tuition is also available for a wide range of instruments. Students have the opportunity to join our Primary or Secondary choir or chapel bands.

Sport

We provide a wide range of individual and team sports through carnivals and interschool competitions. Students with outstanding sporting skills are encouraged to develop their talents through extra curricular training.

Swimming lessons are provided for Primary students at no additional cost. The College encourages all students to participate fully in sporting activities both for enjoyment and personal fitness.

Camping

Caloundra Christian College has developed an extensive camping program to enhance each student's life skills. Commencing in Year 3, students have the opportunity to develop their communication and teamwork skills, explore leadership and build life long friendships in a variety of exciting camp situations.



School-Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships

As successful education is not just measured in academic grades, Caloundra Christian College offers school-based apprenticeships and traineeships which combine study at school with on-the-job training. The College maintains close links with employers and training organisations to maximise long term employment opportunities for students.

Vocational Education

A comprehensive Vocational Education program, commencing in Year 10 with a Certificate I in Workplace Education, continues onto nationally recognised qualifications with Certificate I and II in Hospitality, Business Administration and Information Technology. The College works with employers and training organisations to enhance employment opportunities for our Senior students through traineeships and apprenticeships.



Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
Against such things there is no law.

Pastoral Care

Our Pastoral Care program helps to empower our students with skills to negotiate through school life. They learn strategies to cope with relationships, bullying, study habits, health and life issues. To support our Pastoral Care program we engage counsellors along with volunteers to assist with a mentoring program for students.

Mentoring and Leadership

Our comprehensive leadership program is grounded in a service-based model. Four portfolios centring around sport, chapel, outreach and the student body provide opportunities for leaders in the Senior School to mentor younger students and to form connections across the College.

Prior to being awarded an opportunity to serve in the capacity as a leader, students are provided with training through camp programs, completing Peer Mentoring programs, 'Blitzing' in community service programs and being instructed on the character and integrity required from a person of influence.

The leadership program is flexible. Whilst specific in its expectation of behaviour and Christian standards, it allows students to serve where they feel their individual gifts are most useful, and provides opportunity for them to design new and innovative initiatives.

International Program

Caloundra Christian College has been a leader in international education since 1995, both through our mainstream curriculum, and as a provider of cultural exchange and other learning programs. Caloundra Christian College is selected by overseas parents for its Christian ethos, community spirit and excellent academic outcomes.

Our visitors (and local students and families) benefit from the College's homestay-based approach. Lasting friendships



are formed and the learning journey extended to other cultural, networking and travel opportunities.

As a registered Commonwealth provider of education to overseas students, longer term international students may be accommodated within our Queensland curriculum from Kindy to Year 12, receiving the same advantages as local students. Many continue on to university studies following their Senior year.

The College is also proud to contribute to the local community and businesses by attracting over 200 shorter-term international student visitors each year to our highly-developed English language learning programs. Sister school relationships are held with Seikei University Elementary School in Tokyo, Dongducheon Foreign Language High School in South Korea, and Nan Long High School in Taiwan.



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College Bus Service

The College operates school buses servicing the local Caloundra community, as well as an area stretching from Landsborough/Mooloolah through to Mooloolaba and Chancellor Park.

Every day is 'Open Day' at Caloundra Christian College

You are invited to contact our Registrar on (07) 5436 6777 to arrange a tour or to obtain more information.

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