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Prospectus

Ipswich Girls' Grammar School
&
Ipswich Junior Grammar School



Welcome to Ipswich Girls' Grammar School including Ipswich Junior Grammar School.

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✳ **Limitless.** One word that captures everything we believe in - about education and our girls and boys. It's about opening doors for a brilliant future, where globally conscious students lead with grit and grace.

Our Statement of Commitment

At Ipswich Girls' Grammar School including Ipswich Junior Grammar School, we are committed to fostering a child safe environment where our young people are protected, respected, and feel safe.

Student safety and wellbeing is at the centre of our School's values, actions and culture. It is a shared responsibility across our whole school community, led by the Board of Trustees and the Executive Team. We acknowledge the vital importance of ensuring our community is culturally safe and all members of our community are committed to the safety and inclusion of all students.

As a child safe organisation, we commit to:

- Ensuring our young people's safety and wellbeing.
- Living our School values of Diligence, Excellence, Respect, Integrity and Care in all that we do.
- Implementing Queensland's 10 Child Safe Standards and the Universal Principle.
- Creating an environment that promotes and ensures the cultural safety of our children who are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Peoples.
- Providing our students with outstanding pastoral care support.
- Listening to and valuing the views of our young people.
- Creating conditions that reduce the likelihood of harm and increase the likelihood of identifying any harm.
- Responding to any concerns, disclosures, allegations or suspicions of harm in a sensitive and timely manner.
- Educating our students about the importance of speaking up and how to seek help when required.
- Ensuring our community is aware of the processes and procedures involved in responding to concerns of child harm.
- Listening to our students and community and always seeking to improve.



Limitless.

From our Principal

As the thirteenth Principal of Ipswich Girls' Grammar School including Ipswich Junior Grammar School, I am honoured to lead a community that has shaped young learners for more than 130 years.

KYLE THOMPSON

Since 1892, our School has been progressive and contemporary, delivering an exceptional education from Kindy to Year 12. As the third oldest girls' school in South East Queensland, with a proud co-educational Junior School, tradition and innovation sit comfortably side by side in a warm, inclusive and future-focused environment.

Our students are part of a remarkable past, and they're making history every day. They are both strong and caring; stretched and supported; curious and decisive; and do things with grit and grace.

It is this duality that makes for mighty mindsets around here. We believe in the power of possibility and the strength that comes from knowing oneself. Our students are articulate, confident and grounded in a strong sense of identity. They know who they are and who they wish to become. Our youngest learners are curious and enthusiastic about learning. By Senior School, they're open to new ideas and embrace long held traditions. Where every girl expands our long and proud story while writing a future that is uniquely of her own making.

To support this, we offer personalised learning for every student. Because no two learners are the same, our approach ensures each girl is known deeply, challenged appropriately and supported wholeheartedly. It's about providing a trusty compass and a blank map.

A curated and rigorous curriculum, and an extensive range of co-curricular opportunities, await with enriching experiences in academics, sport, the arts, leadership, service, culture and innovation.

Learning here is seriously fun: we laugh, explore, create, debate, move, build and think deeply. This balance builds capability and joy in equal measure.

Our consistently strong academic results are the natural outcome of empowering students to take action, embrace challenges and persevere with purpose. But we also understand that academic excellence only flourishes when wellbeing is strong. That is why we prioritise nurturing both the mind and the heart.

Friendships and relationships make Ipswich Girls' and Junior Grammar School a place people love. Long lunches under the figs, assemblies that sometimes end with Just Dance, lively conversations in the corridors, carnivals, musicals and sporting triumphs. These moments shape character just as much as academic learning. We are warm and authentic because belonging, conversation and connection matter deeply here.

Choosing a school is a significant decision for any family. You want the right fit; a place where your child will grow, thrive and be known. Our alumni often share immense gratitude for the education their parents invested in, for the teachers who believed in them, for the friendships that guided them, and for the confidence to step boldly into the world.

This is a school where diligence overcomes all. A place of limitless possibilities. A place where every girl and boy is inspired to lead and encouraged to write their own future with courage and optimism.

I hope you'll experience our remarkable community for yourself. It would be our pleasure to welcome you.

Little minds with big ideas.
That's what young learners look like around here.

Junior Grammar

Walk through our doors and you can feel it — learning here is genuinely fun. We don't just nurture potential; we spark curiosity and ignite a true love for learning.

- **Early Education Centre** —
- **Prep to Year 6** —



Early Education Centre

At Ipswich Junior Grammar School's Early Education Centre (EEC), young minds embark on an extraordinary learning adventure.

Our vibrant and inclusive co-educational community is designed for children aged 3 to 5 years, offering a nurturing environment that prioritises quality care and holistic development.



A journey of discovery and growth

At the EEC, children thrive in a safe, warm and stimulating setting, beginning their educational journey in Kindy (ages 3 to 4) and Pre-Prep (ages 4 to 5). Our child-centred curriculum fosters natural development through engaging interactions with the environment, ensuring each day is filled with exploration and joy.



Excellence in early education

Our highly qualified staff are dedicated to providing consistent, structured care, creating a foundation for lifelong learning. The play-based curriculum is designed to enhance social, physical, communicative, and cognitive skills, preparing children for future success.

Partnership with parents

We believe in the power of collaboration. Through regular communication and an innovative online portal, parents stay informed about their child's progress. Parent-teacher interviews offer valuable opportunities for in-depth discussions, ensuring we work together to support each child's growth.

Enriching experiences

Children at the EEC enjoy a spacious natural play area and access to the School's extensive resources, including specialist lessons in Music, Physical Education, and Library. Nutritious meals ensure their wellbeing.



WE LIKE TO SPARK CURIOSITY WHILE SHAPING CHARACTER. BY LEARNING TO QUESTION WITH COURAGE AND REFLECT WITH KINDNESS, OUR GIRLS AND BOYS GROW INTO CAPABLE AND COMPASSIONATE GLOBAL CITIZENS.

Lots and lots of ‘but whys?’ And the odd, ‘why not?’

That’s what critical thinking looks like at Junior Grammar.



Prep to Year 6

Our co-educational environment is where limitless belief begins and mighty mindsets are made.



Nurturing excellence

Our passionate and experienced teachers are dedicated to nurturing each student's potential. The academic curriculum emphasises literacy and numeracy while being adaptable to various learning preferences. Students engage in a broad spectrum of subjects, including Entrepreneurship, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (E-STEAM), alongside creative arts, physical education, and technology-focused classes. Language courses in Chinese and German further enrich their learning experience.



Mighty me

We focus on being mighty; the strength of character within each of us and the power that we possess when we work collaboratively to tackle challenges.

The Junior Grammar Mighty Me Program enables students to unpack each of our School values to become confident individuals who have a strong and healthy sense of self and empathy towards those around them.

We know that strength comes from working with others to better understand ourselves. That's why at Junior Grammar we are mighty.





Innovative learning approaches

We embrace diverse teaching approaches tailored to each age group, fostering an inquiry-based approach to learning. Our intervention and extension opportunities ensure that every student receives the support they need, both inside and outside the classroom.

Values and achievement

We instil strong values, nurture great character and recognise community minded behaviour through House points and our Mighty Mouse Awards. Together, these encourage a culture of respect and excellence, where students grow to be both self-driven and selfless.

Built to inspire

We know that environment matters. Our students learn in inspiring spaces - both indoor and outdoor. Standout facilities include the Angela Geertsma Junior Library, the innovative Bright Sparks Workshop, a fully-equipped gymnasium, a swimming pool, rainforest, and the Visual and Performing Arts Centre.

Stretched and supported.
We're big on expanding and extending minds, and even bigger on nurturing them too.

Girls' Grammar

We give girls the opportunity to explore a symphony of opposites - paradoxes that give rise to real growth. It's in this space she learns strength isn't a single tone and every lesson, challenge and moment of joy creates space for all she is and all she can be.

- Middle School
- Senior School





YEARS 7 TO 9

Middle School

A CONFIDENT START TO SECONDARY SCHOOLING

The Middle School years are an exciting time of discovery, exploration and social emotional growth.

We guide students through the transition into girls only learning, creating a safe, connected environment where young people feel known, supported and a sense of belonging.

Challenging, inspiring learning

Our academic program challenges and inspires girls to discover their passions and realise their potential, with a broad curriculum across core subjects and languages. Classrooms are active learning spaces where ideas are explored, problems are solved and entrepreneurial thinking is explicitly nurtured. Literacy, numeracy and English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD) support, along with extension opportunities, ensure every student is stretched and supported appropriately. Through our 1:1 Laptop Program, students develop essential digital skills and learn to navigate an increasingly connected world with confidence and responsibility.

Reflection and connection

Our Life Skills program teaches students how to manage their learning, friendships and emotions with confidence, while our dedicated Middle School Coordinator and Heads of House provide ongoing pastoral support throughout these formative years.

Camps and shared experiences help the girls form deep connections, strengthen communication and develop the teamwork needed for success both in and out of the classroom. These years are focused on making connections, finding passions and becoming independent, motivated learners.

Personalised growth and support

Every student is known personally. Progress is monitored and reflected in a Personalised Academic Action Plan, which identifies strengths, challenges and goals. Students take an active role in reviewing their progress and setting targets, forming a strong partnership with teachers and families.

Gifted and high achieving students have opportunities for further challenge through the Diligentia Program, where they participate in extension activities, competitions and workshops tailored to their interests and abilities.



Developing leaders

The culmination of Middle School is an exciting step into leadership. Students take on greater responsibility, lead activities for younger peers and explore future pathways through a wide range of elective subjects designed to suit individual interests and aspirations.

By the end of Year 9, students are ready to embrace the challenges of Senior School with maturity, purpose and diligence. They are both confident in themselves and excited for what comes next.



STRONG WELLBEING LAYS THE FOUNDATION FOR STRONG LEARNING. WHEN GIRLS FEEL SUPPORTED, SAFE AND CONFIDENT THEY THINK MORE CLEARLY, ENGAGE MORE DEEPLY AND HAVE SERIOUS FUN.

Seriously fun.

We laugh a lot around here.
We think deeply too.

YEARS 10 TO 12

Senior School

As the future nears, we ready girls to step boldly into their tomorrow with wisdom, strength, kindness and humility.

We're dedicated to preparing our girls for their brightest future through a rigorous academic program that offers a diverse range of subjects and pathways tailored to individual interests and career aspirations.



Inspiration and confidence

In the Senior Years, we champion the growth of strong, self-assured young women who are ready to make their mark.

Our Years 10, 11, and 12 students transition to the Peter Phillips Senior School Complex, where a sense of joy and belonging meets challenge, ambition and the realisation of their full potential.

Girls are supported to pursue their own path with personalised reviews facilitated by our dedicated Academic Management team. Every semester, each girl sets goals, reflects on her study habits and co-creates strategies for success.

Career guidance

Our comprehensive Careers Education program provides guidance for career paths, helping our girls develop the knowledge and skills needed to make informed decisions during their senior phase of learning and beyond.

Diverse aspirations

We support students' diverse aspirations, whether they pursue tertiary study, vocational programs, or employment.

High achieving students can fast-track subjects like Chemistry, gain guaranteed university entry through our UniPrep program with UniSQ, or broaden their expertise through microcredentials and self-paced short courses completed during school hours. With the option of in-house VET certificates, every student can craft a pathway that reflects their aspirations — academic, practical or a blend of both.

We also offer specialised support for learners and promote global citizenship through international and national study tours.



Co-curricular

We believe in the transformative power of experience outside the classroom.

Our students have access to an extensive range of co-curricular activities designed to inspire, challenge and develop their talents and interests.

Sports

Our comprehensive sports program includes a variety of individual and team sports to promote physical fitness, teamwork, and sportsmanship, with opportunities for students to compete at district, state, and national levels. The school maintains high participation rates in both community and competitive sports, underlining the importance of sport in nurturing athletes with motivation, training, and the ability to balance academics.

Ipswich Girls' Grammar School is a proud member of the Queensland Girls' Secondary Schools Sporting Association (QGSSSA), the premier schoolgirls' sporting competition in Queensland. Ipswich Junior Grammar School is a member of both the Britton Shield (Years 2 to 6) and Queensland Girls Primary Independent Schools' Andrews Cup (Years 2 to 6) Competitions, opening doors for both boys and girls to compete in various sports throughout the school year.

Arts

Our vibrant arts program offers numerous opportunities for students to explore their creativity through music, drama, visual arts, and dance. Students can participate in instrumental ensembles, choirs, drama groups and dance troupes.

Private tuition is available for a wide range of instruments, and students regularly perform both within the School and in the wider community.

STEM

We provide a variety of STEM activities, including robotics and coding, to foster innovation and critical thinking. These programs are designed to ignite students' curiosity and prepare them for future technological advancements.

Our TechnoHub is a future-focused innovation space where students, known as TechnoRats, explore the exciting intersection of gaming, technology, and digital media.

Esports

Our Esports program offers students the opportunity to engage in competitive gaming, developing strategic thinking, teamwork, and digital literacy. This modern addition to our co-curricular offering prepares students for the evolving landscape of digital entertainment and professional gaming.

Clubs and activities

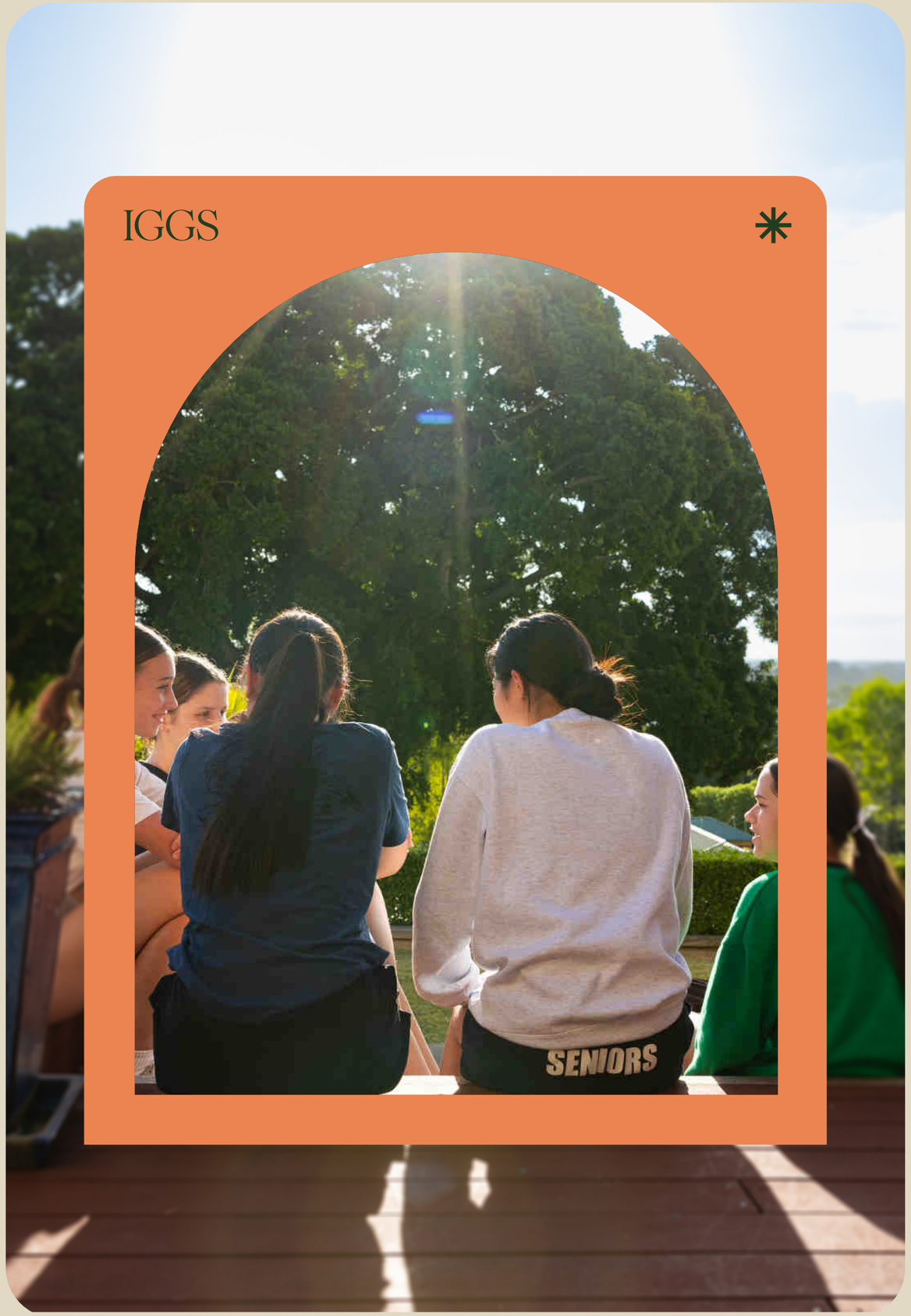
Students can join a diverse array of clubs and societies that cater to their interests, such as Debating, Emerging Artists, Art Club and Diligentia Program. These groups offer a platform for students to develop their skills, engage in meaningful discussions, and make lasting friendships.

A second home. A bigger world.
Boarding broadens horizons within a community that feels like family.

Boarding at IGGS

As they progress through their journey our boarders discover an expanding world. New friendships, diverse perspectives, deeper responsibilities and endless opportunities stretch who they are and who they're becoming.

Years 7 to 12



Our boarding experience is all about creating unforgettable memories and having fun. Welcome to boarding at Cribb House.

Support and nurture

Cribb House, the heart of our boarding community, has a proud history of delivering a highly valued boarding program to students from diverse Australian and International backgrounds.

We understand that sending your child to boarding school can be a significant decision. While we'll never replace home, we strive to ensure the best possible experience for both your daughter and your family, offering a supportive environment and the tools needed to excel academically, socially, and creatively.



Flexible boarding options

Boarders from Years 7 to 12 can choose between casual, weekly and full-time boarding, all of which ensure safety, comfort, nutritional needs, supervision as well as social and academic support.

To accommodate the needs of modern families, the School offers the Grammar Plus program, featuring an after-school study and dinner option, or casual overnight boarding.

Beyond boarding: the complete school experience

Students are encouraged to participate in the extensive range of co-curricular programs offered by the School, including sports, the arts, and academic extension programs. From early starts to afternoon training sessions, we make arrangements to support boarders in attending their co-curricular commitments while balancing their academic responsibilities.

It feels like a family

Recently renovated, Cribb House stands in the heart of our campus and overlooks the city of Ipswich and the School's extensive, landscaped grounds.

Our girls eat healthy meals which are made fresh in our Dining Hall each day. Boarders are grouped into a mixture of year-level groups to replicate a supportive, family environment.

Future focused

As part of the Boarding community, students build social skills and form strong, lifelong friendships through shared experiences and interests. They foster healthy study habits through structured study sessions and learn the importance of time management, ensuring they are well-prepared for university or their chosen career path.



A sense of space and place

Our campus is a vibrant fusion of history and innovation.



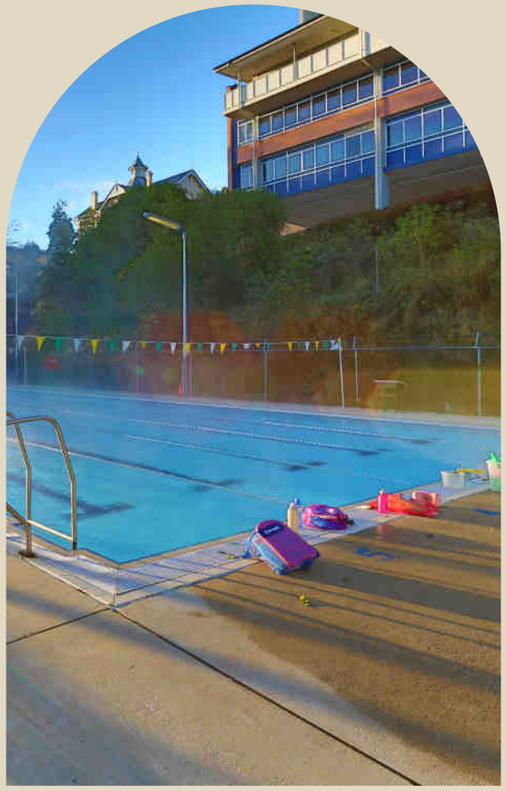
Heritage meets innovation

EXPANSIVE AND PICTURESQUE; OUR CAMPUS COMBINES INNOVATION WITH HERITAGE



Inspired learning

PURPOSE BUILT LEARNING SPACES IGNITE CURIOSITY AND SPARK A LOVE FOR LEARNING



Active pursuit

HONE YOUR ATHLETIC SKILLS IN OUR POOL, SPORTS CENTRE AND GYMNASIUM



Green spaces

EXPANSIVE OPEN ENVIRONMENTS PROVIDE SPACES TO CONNECT AND DISCONNECT

Our location

WHERE CITY, COAST AND COUNTRY MEET

Our heritage school sits proudly in the heart of Ipswich City, one of Queensland's fastest growing and most culturally diverse regions.

Our elevated campus overlooks the Bremer River and a city rich with heritage architecture, vibrant arts spaces, leafy parklands and a welcoming community spirit.

Our Junior campus is located off Torch Street and our Senior campus is located on the corner of Queen Victoria Parade and Chermside Road, East Ipswich. We also have sporting fields located at Jacaranda Street, East Ipswich.

Education plays an important role in the local economy with the University of Southern Queensland located within 5 kilometres of the School. Ipswich offers the perfect balance of history, liveability and opportunity, with everything from boutique cafés and shopping centres to sporting precincts and family friendly recreation right on our doorstep.

Our School is a short drive from Greater Springfield and the western suburbs of Brisbane, connecting to a wide range of tertiary and vocational pathways, as well as state-of-the-art facilities, health precincts, and transport links.

We are also ideally positioned 30 minutes' drive from Brisbane, 60 minutes' drive from the Gold Coast and 60 minutes' drive from domestic and international airports. Regional Queensland offers breathtaking national parks, mountain trails and country towns, while the outback regions of Queensland open up unforgettable experiences unique to our state.

Perfectly positioned between city, coast and countryside, Ipswich Girls' and Junior Grammar School gives students access to it all.









Getting here

Our school provides students with a private bus charter service that we share with Ipswich Grammar School.

Each year, our bus routes are revised in consideration of where our students live and how many stops/pick-up points can be accommodated along a route. For ease, the cost of bus transport is charged to your account.

Buses deliver students in time for the 8.15am start of the school day and depart from the School shortly after 3.00pm. Late buses, departing from 4.45pm, are available Monday to Thursdays for students who participate in activities after school.

You can track and monitor your child's travel through the BusMinder App. BusMinder provides the security of knowing your child has boarded the bus and arrived at their destination. Using real-time information, BusMinder lets you know exactly where your child is at any point during their commute.



BUS STOPS

Augustine Heights (Bus 13): Augustine Heights

Bellbird Park (Bus 18): Brookwater, Bellbird Park, Redbank Plains

Boonah (Bus 20): Boonah, Peak Crossing, Harrisville

Brookwater (Bus 12): Brookwater, Blackstone, Silkstone

Chapel Hill (Bus 7): Chapel Hill, Kenmore, Fig Tree Pocket, Sinnamon Park, Seventeen Mile Rocks

Forest Lake (Bus 15): Forest Lake

Greenbank (Bus 17): Greenbank, Springfield Lakes

Heathwood (Bus 16): Heathwood

Kenmore (Bus 8): Kenmore, Kenmore Hills, Brookfield, Pullenvale, Anstead, Karana Downs (George Holt Dr)

Moggill (Bus 10): Moggill, Bellbowrie (East of Moggill Rd), Anstead Store

Ripley (Bus 1): Ripley, Deebing Heights, Yamanto, Flinders View, Raceview, Eastern Heights

Riverhills (Bus 5): Riverhills, Westlake, Middle Park, Sumner, Wacol Station, Jamboree Heights, Mt Ommaney, Jindalee

Springfield (Bus 14): Springfield, Spring Mountain

Sunnybank (Bus 3): Sunnybank Hills, Stretton, Parkinson, Algester, Calamvale, Willawong, Inala

Transfer: Between IGS and IGGS

Late Bus A – Karalee, Karana Downs, Anstead, Bellbowrie, Pinjarra Hills, Kenmore, Chapel Hill, Fig Tree Pocket

Late Bus B – Sumner, RIverhills, Westlake, Middle Park, Mount Ommaney, Jindalee, Seventeen Mile Rocks, Sinnamon Park

Late Bus C – Redbank Plains, Brookwater, Augustine Heights, Springfield, Springfield Lakes, Spring Mountain, Greenbank

Late Bus D – Forest Lake, Inala, Sunnybank, Calamvale, Browns Plains, Parkinson

Late Bus E - Yamanto, Purga, Peak Crossing, Harrisville, Milora, Kalbar, Boonah

For further information visit our website
iggs.qld.edu.au/our-school/transport

Our community is more than a network - it is a vibrant, diverse, multi-generational family united by shared values, rich traditions, and a forward-looking spirit.

Bigger than ‘me’

From the enduring support of our Old Girls Association to the active involvement of our Parents & Friends and the unwavering generosity of our philanthropic community, each member plays an integral role in shaping a school environment where students thrive. Together, they uphold a legacy of excellence and connection that strengthens our past, enriches our present, and empowers our future.

Old Girls Association (OGA)

The OGA is a cornerstone of our community, playing a pivotal role in maintaining lifelong connections among our alumni. Through reunions, events, and fundraising activities, the OGA not only supports the School’s ongoing development but also nurtures a profound sense of fellowship and belonging among alumni.

Parents & Friends Association

Our Parents & Friends Association (P&F) is a dynamic force within our school, offering parents the opportunity to actively engage in our community. The P&F organises a variety of social events, supports numerous School initiatives, and raises funds for projects that significantly enhance the School environment, from playground improvements to facility upgrades.

Philanthropy

Philanthropy is at the heart of our School’s growth and success. Ipswich Girls’ Grammar School was established through the generous philanthropy of our community. Under the Grammar Schools Act of 1860, the government pledged support once local donations reached £1,000. By February 27, 1890, the Provisional Committee successfully raised £1,116, ensuring the foundation of our School.

Through the continued generosity of our donors, we are able to enhance our facilities, and support a wide array of programs that directly benefit our students.

Shared values

We take immense pride in our vibrant and inclusive community, where our values are not just taught but lived.

Our values are reflected in our students’ daily actions. Lived in the classroom, on the field, and throughout the community, these principles help shape young people of substance, fostering a culture of excellence and character.

Diligence
Digging deep and using grit to get the job done.

Excellence
Committing to be brilliant together.

Respect
Valuing diversity and embracing the uniqueness of everyone.

Integrity
Finding the courage to do what is right.

Care
Showing kindness, compassion and grace for people and place.

Your journey

We warmly invite you to become part of our community. Discover the unique and transformative educational experience that awaits.

Take the first step: contact our admissions team, or scan the QR code to learn more about our enrolment process.

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