

OUR LADY OF SION COLLEGE

It is the
greatest
gift in the
world...



Life.

At Our Lady of Sion College, we celebrate the gift of life through our teaching and learning.

Embracing the strong tradition of the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion, students are encouraged to realise their full potential through experiences that will enrich, challenge and reward them.

A Sionian education offers a palette of opportunities that immediately engage our students and propel them towards a promising future. Each of these opportunities represents a significant element of the unique journey towards womanhood.

At the heart of Our Lady of Sion College is community.



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Tradition

"I have always had a strong sense that I am part of a bigger story – one that started before my time and one that will continue when I leave Sion. It is a great feeling to know that I will always be a daughter of Sion."
Sophie



Story

Students at Our Lady of Sion College inherit the Sion story. This is one of vision, courage and hope. Like the women who have gone before them, they are encouraged to look beyond themselves in the service of others. Drawing upon the wisdom of Scripture, a culture of respect and acceptance of the other, we encourage students to recognise their place on this continuum.



In 1928, on the eve of the Great Depression, this College was established. Possessing a strong belief in girls' education, these courageous women, known as the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion, worked tirelessly to ensure their school provided excellent education and opportunities for generations to come. This vision continues to be a reality today.



A photograph of a teacher and two students in a classroom, with a purple overlay. The teacher, a woman with short brown hair wearing a black and white patterned top, is leaning over the students. The student on the left is a young woman with braided hair, wearing a dark sweater over a white-collared shirt, and is writing on a piece of paper. The student on the right is a young woman with blonde hair, wearing a checkered shirt with a white collar, and is looking at the paper. The background shows a classroom setting with papers and a window. The text "Embrace Learning" is written in a white serif font on the right side of the image.

Embrace
Learning



"As a Year 7 student I was always inspired by our College leaders. Now I have the opportunity to inspire others." Sarah

Diversity

Enlivened by contemporary thinking practices, students are empowered to shape their own future, encouraged to have high educational aspirations and challenged to realise their full potential. Our vision places each young woman at the centre of her learning. Together, staff and students form a partnership of learning and discovery that ignites passion, excitement and innovation.

At Our Lady of Sion College, girls know they can do anything. We have award winning choirs and chemists, top mathematicians and dancers, articulate debaters and a champion aerobics team. Sion students can participate in ballroom dancing one day and an AFL umpiring course the next. They can produce magnificent garments in textiles and lead discussions on human rights in a public forum. Students are encouraged to embrace opportunities and to love their learning.



"Having a role in the musical was amazing. When I walked onto that stage in my costume, I became a star." Lauren





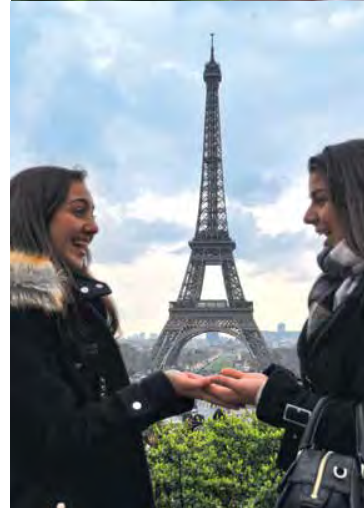
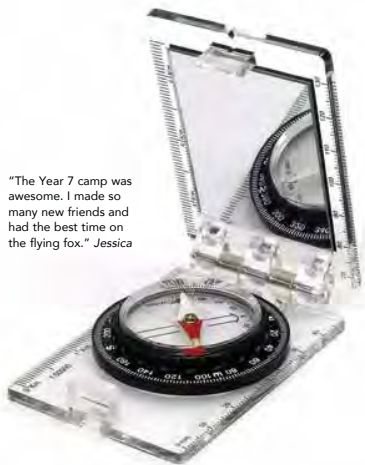
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Adventure

"Learning French has opened up amazing opportunities that I never dreamed possible. I will never forget my experience with my host family while I was at Notre Dame de Sion, our sister school in Paris." Emma

Challenge

Learning is an adventure at Our Lady of Sion College. Innovative programs ensure that students are inspired to reach new heights. There are opportunities for local, national and international study and exploration. From discovering a new city to embracing nature, to visiting places of cultural significance, students are involved in activities that fuel the imagination.

"The Year 7 camp was awesome. I made so many new friends and had the best time on the flying fox." Jessica



Students are challenged to see their learning as an adventure that opens them up to a world of possibilities. With classes that present skills and concepts that extend their imaginations, Our Lady of Sion students are encouraged to seize the moment and look at the possibilities.



A silhouette of the Tokyo Tower against a golden sunset sky, with three street lamps in the foreground.

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Discovery

An Our Lady of Sion College education looks beyond the walls of the classroom to embrace journey beyond self to the world. A variety of experiences will sow the seeds of curiosity, empathy and discernment that lead to the discovery of opportunities for personal and communal transformation.

"Retreat Days are really important at Sion. It is great to share new ideas, but sometimes it's important to have the opportunity to reflect..." Kathryn

Beyond Self



Outreach work and social action are some of the ways in which we live out our Sionian tradition. Students are encouraged to respond to others by offering friendship, empathy and solidarity. Through these experiences and various opportunities for action and selection, students are encouraged to develop a world view that is founded on respect and the value of dialogue.



"The Indigenous Immersion Program has given me a different perspective. There is another world out there I didn't know existed." Ashleigh

The Year 9 Ayin Program exemplifies our learning culture of excitement and challenge.

A black and white photograph of four young women in school uniforms laughing together outdoors. They are wearing checkered shirts with white collars. The background is a soft-focus natural setting. The text 'Embrace Community' is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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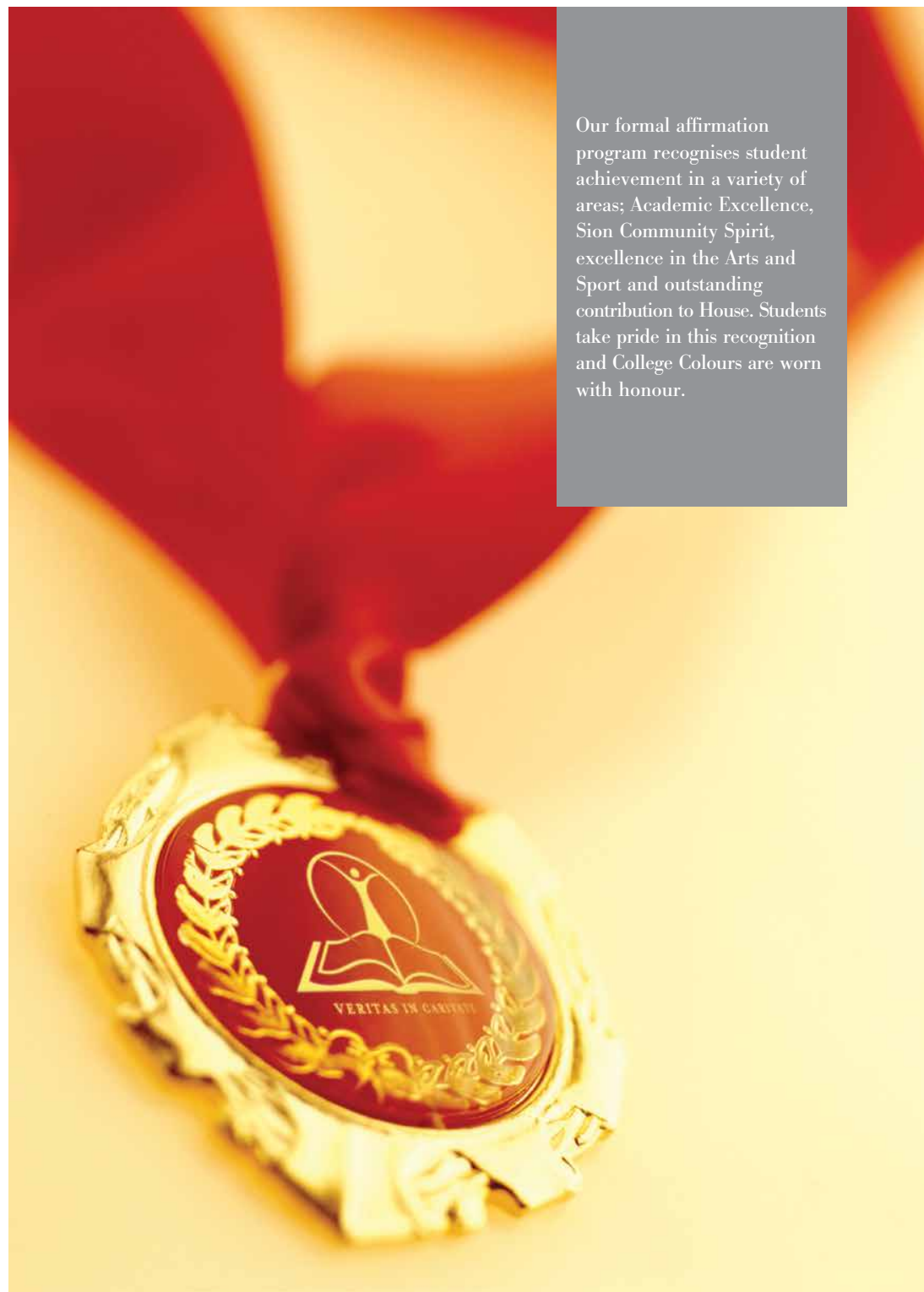
"My parents were really proud when I achieved College Colours in all five areas last year. I just can't believe how many opportunities I have to do my best at Sion." *Bridget*

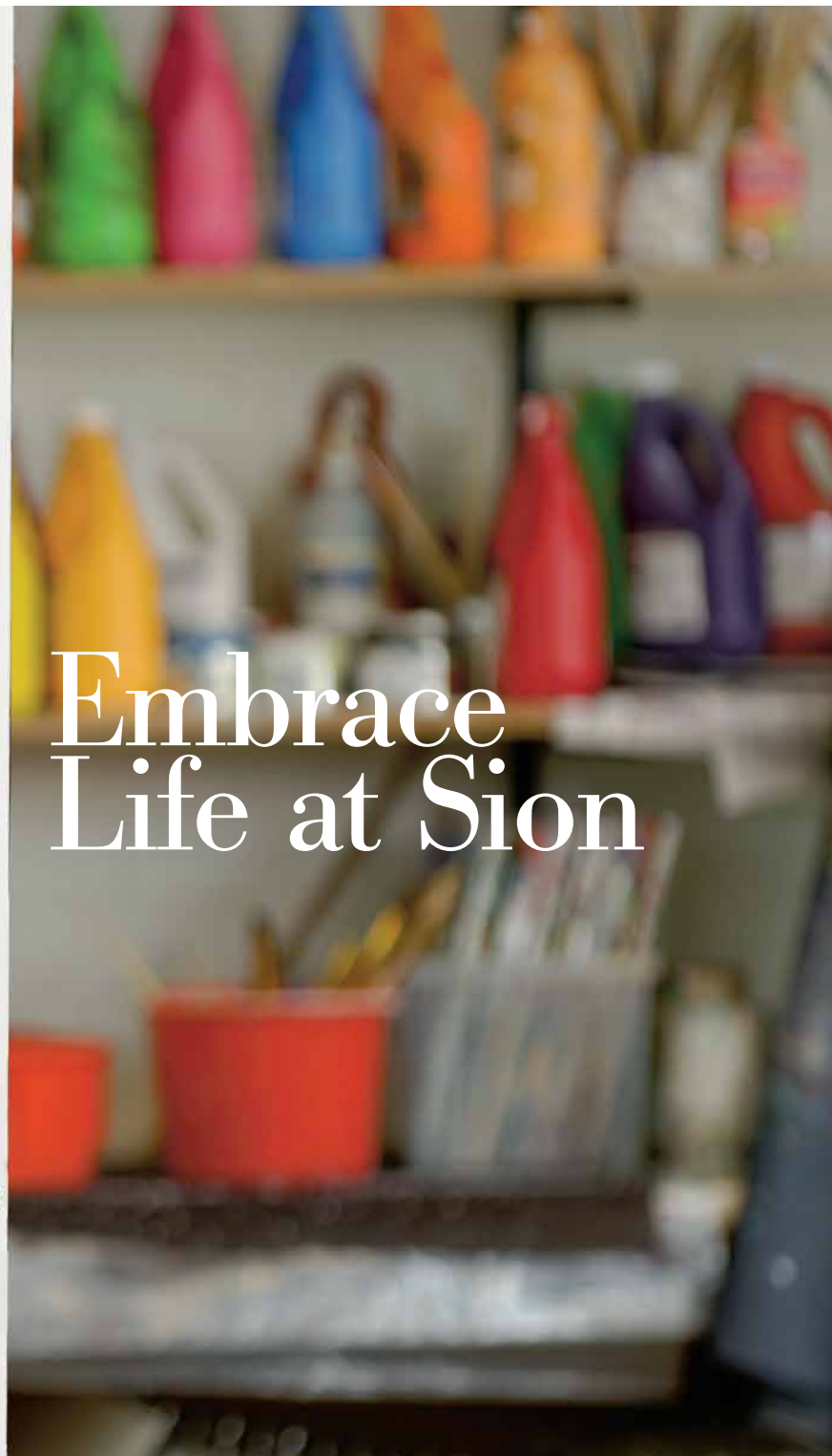
Celebrations

We have a strong culture of celebration at Our Lady of Sion College. Achievements and talents are shared and affirmed in a variety of ways. From public performances at our regular whole school assemblies to acknowledgement before their year level and in school publications, students are encouraged to be proud of who they are and what they bring to this community.



Our formal affirmation program recognises student achievement in a variety of areas; Academic Excellence, Sion Community Spirit, excellence in the Arts and Sport and outstanding contribution to House. Students take pride in this recognition and College Colours are worn with honour.





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Life at Sion



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