



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in Santa Maria College. Santa Maria College caters for the education of young women through Years 7 to 12. Our aim is to provide a safe, caring and supportive environment that is responsible for the needs of our students academically, physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually.

Benedictine Spirituality and Good Samaritan Values are the foundation of our pastoral care approach. Our Mission statement says: *We celebrate our diversity by developing critical social awareness and a reverence and responsibility towards all creation. In this educational environment we strive to nurture an atmosphere of trust and hope where our students are accepted, affirmed, encouraged and challenged to grow to their full potential.*

Pastoral care permeates through all areas of our College. Students in our school community are valued, respected and encouraged to realise their full potential. It is through valuing the intrinsic worth of each person that the Santa Maria Community continues to grow and to be enriched.

As an authorised International Baccalaureate World School, Santa Maria College is proud to teach the Middle Years Program (MYP) from Years 7-10. This internationally recognised approach to learning calls on students to engage with the content they are covering and the concepts that underpin the learning. Girls at Santa Maria are encouraged to ask questions, seek answers and apply these new understandings to a real-world context.

Our House system is designed to foster a sense of community and support for students, staff and parents. The House System encourages a sense of belonging, spirit, enthusiasm and connectedness for student growth and development. This feeling of community and belonging is very important at Santa Maria College as it allows students to feel connected and therefore enhances their learning. In this environment, students enjoy learning, are engaged in activities and are challenged.

We hope you find the documents on this page and our website helpful. If you require any further information or have any questions regarding enrolment at Santa Maria College please do not hesitate to contact our Admissions and Marketing Leader, Mrs Kylie Lawtey, on 9488 1630.

We look forward to receiving your application and welcoming your family into the Santa Maria College Community.

Yours faithfully

Carolyn McCarthy
Acting Principal