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SCHOOL PROFILE

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Principal's foreword

St Peter Claver College is the only Catholic co-educational secondary college in the Ipswich and greater western region of the Brisbane metropolitan area. Our commitment is to serve our community by being a place where students can shine academically and experience opportunities to excel in sport and extra-curricular pursuits. Claver has an outstanding reputation in the local community. Students are offered a dynamic and inclusive curriculum. There is a strong emphasis on justice and service. Our Catholic identity draws on its Marist charism. Claver has a rich multi-cultural tradition as it draws its students from a variety of backgrounds including European Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, Polynesian, Asian, South American and African students. There is a vibrant learning culture evident at the College. This culture is led by a stable, professional, hard-working and caring staff. Our College Motto is 'Concern, Love and Justice.'

The College is powered by an ideal for education based on the fundamental belief in the goodness and uniqueness of every student. In this ideal the dedicated and talented staff have ensured that the variety of subject options, the many pathways to the future and the rich Catholic culture that is inclusive in its care and vision for all the community members, are noted as being ground-breaking and of the highest calibre by any measure.

School facts

St Peter Claver College is a Catholic school administered through Catholic Education, Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Coeducational or Single sex

Year levels offered: Primary Secondary P-12

Total student enrolments: 981 Girls: 514 Boys: 467

Characteristics of the student body

St Peter Claver College draws its students from the central and wider Ipswich region and Brisbane western corridor. In 2017 student enrolments in Year 8 came from 41 primary schools in the surrounding area. The College has a strong connection with its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The College community acknowledges that St Peter Claver College is built on the traditional lands of the Ugarapul clan, Yuggera Nation.

The overwhelming atmosphere in the College is one of mutual respect, courtesy and genuine care. This derives from the beautiful nature of the students individually and collectively. They are focussed on their studies and on the care of each other. Consequently, the College is a place where young people feel safe, empowered and genuinely appreciated. They achieve wonderful results whether in the academic domain or the vocational areas, or a combination of both. The Arts and ready celebratory disposition of the students provide a life-giving background for life and mutual respect free of discrimination or bias.

Social climate

Students at St Peter Claver College belong to one of four Houses and meet daily in their Home-Class in vertical groups with the older students looking out for their younger peers. The Vertical House System creates meaningful connections and builds strong and lasting relationships that cut across year levels and cultural difference. The College also operates a Responsible Thinking Classroom to support students in their behaviour choices. Based on Perceptual Control Theory the RTC optimises learning opportunities for all students while providing a caring and supportive space for students to reflect on their choices as they learn to develop responsible behaviours. It further reflects the dedication to the ideal of rights, responsibilities and consequences where students are encouraged to value the importance of building and sustaining positive relationships. The College strives to create an environment where bullying behaviour if encountered is treated very seriously and addressed emphatically and justly to ensure students, families and teachers work towards appropriate resolutions that reflect 'Concern, Love, Justice'.

Curriculum - our distinctive offerings

Education at St Peter Claver College is designed to foster the holistic development of each individual in spiritual, personal, academic, physical, cultural and social dimensions. The Curriculum at the College provides a broad, quality education for all students as well as offering significant choices so that each student may pursue areas of special interest. All subjects include a strong literacy focus and teachers implement a coordinated approach to literacy development that is core to all curriculum areas.

Year 7 is a time to sample the diverse range of elective subjects on offer in the College while starting on the study of Core Subjects that will continue to Year 10. In Year 8 and 9 students then begin the process of selecting specialized courses that suit their interests. Before commencing Senior Pathways each Year 10 student will meet with their Learning Mentor to complete a Senior Education Transition Plan. Their Learning Mentor will provide guidance and assistance throughout their senior years ensuring that students are on track in their endeavour to fulfil their customised pathway.

The development of Middle Years and Senior Years frameworks for learning in the College are widely regarded as being at the forefront of educational development and refinement in the State. This developmental commitment ensures that the College is always adapting and developing so that all students may learn and grow.

Curriculum - our extra curricula activities

St Peter Claver offers a rich and diverse extra-curricular program. Students may elect to participate in a variety of team and individual sports in the Winter and Summer CISSSA Sports Competition. The College also enters Rugby League, Netball, Soccer and Futsal teams in regional and state competitions. Through these competitions students are identified and selected in regional, state and national representative teams.

The College also offers opportunities for students to excel in the Performing Arts. In 2017 the College gained recognition as a School of Excellence in Dance achieving outstanding results in regional eisteddfods. Students also expressed their artistic talents in theatre, drama, music, choir and band through special events and programs convened throughout the year.

Academic and social clubs such as Orion, Culture, Chess, eSports and Debating are but a few more avenues provided.

Parent, student and teacher satisfaction

In 2017 the College reviewed four areas of College life in accordance with the Brisbane Catholic Education Cyclical Review process and evidence gathered from parents, students and teachers show that there is a high degree of satisfaction in the following areas:

1. Social Action and Justice
2. Curriculum Design and Implementation in Middle Years
3. Student wellbeing and Pastoral Care
4. Partnerships and Relationships
5. Finance and Facilities

These areas of strategic focus are part of comprehensive strategic cyclical planning and consultation. This ensures both the dynamism and relevance of College service, goal setting and living into our rhetoric.

Parent engagement

Fundamental to the growth and development of the College in 2017 has been a strong partnership with parents and carers. This has been exemplified in the following ways:

- Membership on the College Board
- Attendance and/or membership at Parents and Friends Association
- Volunteering in working bees, tuck shop duty and/or uniform shop.
- Assistance in extra-curricular activities including sport, dance, music and drama.
- Attendance at Parent Information Nights and Parent Teacher Interviews.
- Participation in special parent forums
- Interaction through development of Parent Portals that promote effective and timely communication and participation

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

Achievements against 2017 annual plan

The College is experiencing considerable success in achieving the following goals:

- enhanced literacy and numeracy skills and competence in the Middle Years.
- improvements in pedagogy and effective teaching and learning engagement as measured against the College Educational Framework goals.
- improved professional skill-sets as measured against individual and organisational Professional Learning Plans.
- attainment of community liaison goals through structured and facilitated dialogues with families and students.
- growth in enrolments
- capital development and Master Planning implementation.
- attainment of ICT capacity and delivery.

Future outlook

The future outlook is for the continuation of the development and engagement goals to improve students outcomes and teacher effectiveness as highlighted in "School Achievements".

2018 will see the start of an extensive engagement with building contemporary and pedagogically defined facilities suitable for a high profile, inclusive and professionally informed learning community.

STUDENT OUTCOMES

Whole school attendance rate	92.00 %
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Prep attendance rate	%	Year 7 attendance rate	95.00 %
Year 1 attendance rate	%	Year 8 attendance rate	93.00 %
Year 2 attendance rate	%	Year 9 attendance rate	93.00 %
Year 3 attendance rate	%	Year 10 attendance rate	91.00 %
Year 4 attendance rate	%	Year 11 attendance rate	91.00 %
Year 5 attendance rate	%	Year 12 attendance rate	91.00 %
Year 6 attendance rate	%		

Management of non-attendance

Attendance in class and the valuing of class time is enshrined in policy at St Peter Claver College. Practices and procedures to ensure that proper accountability is in place includes the following: Home-Class rolls are marked daily. Student who arrive late are required to sign in at Student Reception. Subject class rolls are marked for all lessons by all subject teachers. Rolls for excursions and out-of-class activities are marked on all occasions. An SMS message is sent daily to parents/carers when a student is absent from Home-Class. A letter is sent home to parents/carers when student absenteeism falls below 90%/ Term - a College Liaison Officer appointed to enhance attendance effectiveness and liaison with families. Each Semester student attendance is recorded on their Semester Report to parents/carers.

NAPLAN results

Average NAPLAN results

	Year 3		Year 5	
	School	Aust.	School	Aust.
Reading				
Writing				
Spelling				
Numeracy				

	Year 7		Year 9	
	School	Aust.	School	Aust.
Reading	528.63	544.70	590.54	580.90
Writing	489.80	513.00	541.42	551.90
Spelling	537.49	549.60	583.78	581.50
Numeracy	531.17	553.80	582.01	592.00

Apparent retention rate from Year 10 to Year 12

Year 12 student enrolment as a percentage of the Year 10 (2015) student cohort	95.8	%
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Outcomes for Year 12 cohort of 2017

Number of students receiving a Senior Education Profile	177
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate Individual Achievement	3
Number of students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education at the end of Year 12	164
Number of students awarded one or more Vocational Educational Training (VET) qualifications	96
Number of students who are completing or completed a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SAT)	17
Number of students awarded an International Baccalaureate Diploma (IBD)	0
Number of students receiving an Overall Position (OP)	63
Percentage of OP/ IBD eligible students with OP 1-15 or an IBD	75.0 %
Percentage of Year 12 students who are completing or completed a SAT or were awarded one or more of the following: QCE, IBD, VET qualification	95.0 %
Percentage of Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre applicants receiving a tertiary offer	96.0 %

Overall Position (OP) bands

Number of students in each band for OP 1 to 15

OP 1-5	OP 6-10	OP 11-15
5	19	23

Vocational Educational Training qualification (VET)

Number of students awarded certificates under the Australian Qualification Framework

Certificate I	Certificate II	Certificate III or higher
36	70	36

Post-school destination information

At the time of publishing this School Annual Report, the results of the 2017 Year 12 post-school destinations survey, Next Step, were not available. Information about the post-school destinations of students will be published in September when the information is made available to the school.

STAFF PROFILE

Workforce composition	Teaching staff	Non-teaching staff
Headcounts	78	20
Full-time equivalents	73.0	17.5
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders	Less than 5	

Highest level of attainment	Number of teaching staff (teaching staff includes school leaders)
Doctorate	1
Masters	17
Post Graduate Diploma/ Certificate	60
Bachelor Degree	
Diploma/Certificate	

Expenditure on and participation in teacher professional learning

The total funds expended on teacher professional learning in 2017 was \$ 29,049 .

The major professional development initiatives were as follows:

- Preparation for ATAR
- Explicit Teaching
- Leadership Development
- Pastoral Care
- Vocational Education and Training

Average staff attendance rate The staff attendance rate was 96.36 % in 2017.

Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year

From the end of the 2016 school year, 85.7 % of staff were retained by the school for the 2017 year.

SCHOOL INCOME

School income by funding source

School income broken down by funding source is available via the My School website at <http://www.myschool.edu.au/>

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