



***“My school
is just right”***

PRIMARY CURRICULUM BROCHURE
ST JOHN'S NEWTOWN & ARMSTRONG CREEK CAMPUSES

WISDOM - HONOUR - PURPOSE



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Welcome Bienvenue Willkommen

Welcome to Geelong Lutheran College (GLC). This is a very special place where students can flourish, feel valued and know they are loved by God.

We are proud of our Lutheran traditions, values and approaches to learning to support the whole child. We believe every child who enters our gates, either at St John's Newtown or the Armstrong Creek campus, is a child of God – uniquely made with a future that is bright and purposeful.

We are blessed with outstanding teachers, general staff, facilities and resources which support rich and innovative learning engagements both at school and beyond. We celebrate our diverse community, developing understanding and appreciation of the global context into which our young people will move beyond school.

We welcome you to our campuses to see 'The GLC Difference' for yourself.

Sue Ellis
Executive Principal



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PRIMARY LEARNING APPROACH



Primary at GLC, Prep - Year 6

Learning environments in the Primary School are nurturing, and supportive of individuals and their developmental needs.

Our approach is informed and driven by our Christian faith and our candidacy as an International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Program (PYP) school. These foundations embrace a transdisciplinary inquiry-based approach to teaching and learning, in the context of a collaborative and relational learning environment. A strong focus on explicit literacy and numeracy teaching plays a key role in our students' growth and development.

Students become internationally-minded citizens as they develop the attributes of the IB Learner Profile

and engage in deep learning, focused on issues and concepts of global significance. We have an emphasis on empathy, action and sustainability. These learning emphases come to life within the formal curriculum, wider school activities and events, as well as in many everyday interactions and informal learning moments.

Primary Curriculum Overview

As a Lutheran College and an International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Program (PYP) Candidate School, our curriculum is delivered through:

1. The intentional development of international-mindedness through the modelling, teaching and practicing of our three College values of Wisdom, Honour and Purpose, and the IB Learner Profile attributes of Inquirers, Thinkers, Caring, Knowledgeable, Principled, Open minded, Risk Takers, Communicators, Balanced and Reflective.



2. A program of transdisciplinary inquiry, in which students investigate concepts under the themes of:

- Who we are
- Where we are in place and time
- How we express ourselves
- How the world works
- How we organise ourselves
- Sharing the planet

Transdisciplinary units of inquiry draw on relevant content, understandings and skills from the Australian Curriculum areas of:

- English
- Mathematics
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Science
- The Arts
- Technologies (Digital and Design)
- Health and PE
- Christian Studies (Lutheran Education Australia curriculum)

Specialist teachers have valuable input into the learning in these units of inquiry, adding authentic depth to the experiences.

3. Christian Studies, Structured Literacy, and Numeracy support the broader learning for students.

4. Specialist teacher programs are in the areas of Physical Education, French (SJ), German (AC), Music, Visual Arts and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths).

5. Social and emotional learning is supported through class and whole school routines, events and activities as well as through structured learning.

To find out more about our Primary Learning approach please scan the QR code to visit our website.

Find out more
about Primary
Curriculum



Years P – 6

PROGRAM

Daily Pastoral Program
Assemblies
Chapel – weekly
Classroom devotions
Regular circle time

TIMETABLE STRUCTURE

6 x 45 minute lessons per day
25 lessons with classroom teacher/s
5 lessons with specialists (Art, German AC, French SJ, Music, Physical Education, STEM)

Year Level Highlights Programs and Activities Specific to Year Levels

PREP

Buddy program with Year 5 classes
Transition program from Kindergarten
100 Days of School celebration
Year level excursions and incursions
Sports Events
Safety and Wellbeing Programs
Choir (AC)

YEAR 2

Year level excursions and incursions
Swimming lessons (1 week)
Sports Events
Safety and Wellbeing Programs
Choir (AC)
SRC

YEAR 1

Year level excursions and incursions
Swimming lessons (1 week)
Sports Events
Safety and Wellbeing Programs
Choir (AC)

YEAR 3

Strings (violin) program (one semester)
Cybersafety program
Year level excursions and incursions
Swimming lessons (1 week)
Athletics Day, Cross Country
Choir (elective)
Safety and Wellbeing Programs
Camp experience
SRC



YEAR 4

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden
 Cybersafety program
 Camp experience
 Year level excursions and incursions
 Swimming lessons (1 week)
 Sports Events
 Choir (elective)
 Relationship & Health Education Program
 SRC

YEAR 5

Cybersafety program
 Buddy program with Prep classes
 Debating
 Relationship & Health Education program
 Camp experience
 Year level excursions and incursions
 Sports Events
 Swimming lessons (1 week)
 Year 3-6 Choir (elective)
 1:1 Laptop program (from 2026)
 SRC

YEAR 6

Cybersafety program
 Leadership program
 Peer mediation program
 Debating
 ALWS What's My Business? program
 and Market Day
 Relationship and Health Education
 program
 1:1 Laptop program
 Transition to Secondary School program
 Camp experience
 Year level excursions and incursions
 Sports Events
 Year 3-6 Choir (elective)
 Wellbeing Programs
 Swimming lessons (1 week) AC only
 SRC



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