

Norwood Primary School

Norwood Primary School is a school with a strong sense of community, a proud heritage, strong traditions and identity dating back to 1877. We demonstrate this through an emphasis on:

Respect Community Diversity Creativity Opportunity

VISION

At Norwood Primary School we build a respectful, inclusive community which values diversity, creativity and opportunity for all.

MISSION:

We provide high quality teaching practice and conditions for learning which will empower students with the knowledge skills and capabilities to become active and informed global citizens.

Our school fosters an environment where students:

- promote respectful relationships,
- develop positive wellbeing and resilience
- connect to their community
- work together to grow their understanding of inclusivity
- explore their creativity
- engage in opportunities for learning through risk taking

We build a positive, inclusive environment through learning with strong, respectful relationships that inspire all students to be:

- happy, healthy and resilient
- successful, collaborative and self-motivated lifelong learners
- active, informed contributors to our ever-evolving community

The 10 Actions for Happiness – GREAT DREAM - are explicitly taught to support our wellbeing and learning programs.



CONTEXT STATEMENT

Norwood Primary School is a highly regarded Reception to Year 6 school of approximately 360 students. It is a category 7 school, with a culturally and socially diverse cohort, having a small number of Indigenous students and approximately 54% of students from non-English speaking backgrounds. Enrolments also include 7% school card and a small number of full fee paying International students. The leadership team includes a Principal, a Deputy Principal-Inclusion and Wellbeing and an Assistant Principal-Curriculum Implementation and Effective Pedagogy. The work of the leadership team is greatly enhanced by approximately 30 FTE educators who implement and accept responsibility for whole school learning programs and guide future directions. Our learning program is supported with Specialist teachers in Italian, Performing Arts, Health and PE, Design and Digital Technologies and EALD (English as an Additional Language or Dialect). Instrumental Music Strings program and FLMD (First Language Maintenance and Development) in Chinese and Hindi are also offered to students.

The school's buildings and facilities reflect its history and are highly regarded by the local and wider community for their heritage value. The purpose built Performing Arts Centre (Mulberry Hall) greatly enhances student learning opportunities. The school adjoins the Norwood Oval which is used for play breaks each day and significant events such as Sports Day and the Red-Leg-a-Thon.

Our school is built on a firm foundation of inclusivity, multiculturalism, a strong sense of community and a celebration of diversity. These aspects of our school's history continue to influence the development and operation of our school.