

St Margaret's



BOARDING AT ST MARGARET'S



The School operates on the basis of six core values: courage, faith, integrity, passion, respect and spirit, with the School motto Per Volar Sunata, Born to Fly Upwards, inspiring St Margaret's students to achieve their personal best in all endeavours.

St Margaret's is an independent day and boarding school for students from Pre Preparatory to Year 12. Founded in 1895 by the Sisters of The Society of the Sacred Advent, St Margaret's is renowned as being one of Queensland's leading educators of young women.

Boarding has been an integral part of the School's life, catering for girls from Year 8 to Year 12.

As a member of the Queensland Girls' Secondary Schools Sports Association Inc (QGSSSA), St Margaret's participates in a range of academic, sporting and cultural competitions against other long-standing Brisbane schools.

We believe that boarding at St Margaret's is a rewarding, fulfilling and happy experience for all. Boarding students have a significant impact on the life of the School, contributing to its spirit, curricular and co-curricular programs.

A boarder at St Margaret's will have the opportunity to mix with people from urban and coastal areas of SE Qld, rural communities in Qld and NSW, other states and overseas. With approximately 170 girls and 10 staff living on campus, St Margaret's Anglican Girls School is an exciting and enthusiastic community with a distinct tone and spirit emanating from the Boarding Community. All boarding enrolments at St Margaret's are for full-time boarding.

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The Head of Boarding plays a very significant role in ensuring that the quality of the experience the girls enjoy within the Boarding House and the level of pastoral and personal care is high. It is the responsibility of the Head of Boarding to monitor the relationships between staff and students, and students alike, in support of the School's expectations that the girls feel happy, safe and supported in the Boarding House environment.

Supervision/Study

The role of all Boarding House Staff is primarily as the carers of the girls and the emphasis is on working together as a team – parents, boarders and staff – to meet the needs of boarders and their families.

The House Mothers are responsible for the supervision of the girls when they return home from school, through the afternoon and evening to bed time. They supervise study, monitor the girls' academic progress, communicate with their teachers and provide extra support for the girls. The House Mothers are also responsible for the social, emotional, physical, spiritual and academic well being of the girls.

Family Involvement

Girls' families are encouraged to be a part of the St Margaret's Community with opportunities to attend our special events such as the Boarder Parent Cocktail Party. The Boarders' Support Group was formed in 1991 and is a welcome component, meeting once a term to discuss issues and lend support to the Boarding Community.

The main aim of the group is to promote a close relationship between boarder parents, school staff and parents of day girls. Parents are always welcome and are invited to share a meal with the girls in the dining room when they are in town.

Activities/Health Centre

Activities are provided for the girls to enhance the relationship across all year levels. Every term an activities calendar is sent to parents so that they can see what is available to the girls on the weekends.

The activities can range from movies, dances, socials, trips to the beach, community activities and many more. The first weekend of every term is a closed weekend where the girls are offered a wide range of activities to participate in to encourage the sense of community within the Boarding House.

General medical attention is given to all boarders at the School in the Health Centre or at the Doctors' rooms. The Health Centre is staffed by two Registered Nurses and is open Monday to Friday from 6:30am to 9:00pm. and on the weekends from 4:00pm-8:00pm with a nurse on call all weekend.

Enquiries

For more information about boarding at St Margaret's, please contact the Head of Boarding, Ms Lesa Fowler.

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