

Welcome



Lourdes Hill College



Evening Overview

Acknowledgement of Country & Prayer

Ms Natalie McClure | Head of Middle School

Welcome

Mrs Kay Gleeson | Principal

A Good Samaritan Benedictine School

Mrs Nima Ballenger | Dean of Mission

Academic Care

Ms Delia Stecher | Deputy Principal - Teaching & Learning

Wellbeing & Pastoral Care

Dr Karen Schofield | Deputy Principal - Students & Wellbeing

Transition to Year 7

Ms Natalie McClure | Head of Middle School

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Turrbal and Jagera peoples, the Traditional Custodians of this land on which we meet.

I pay my respects to Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people joining us today.



Lourdes Prayer

Creator God,
Thank you for all the gifts we receive at this school.
Thank you for the gift of each other from all cultures and nations.
Teach us to be wise like St Benedict,
Devoted to You and to study like St Scholastica,
Caring like the Good Samaritan,
And peacemakers like Jesus.
Teach us to love life and love learning.
Our Lady of Lourdes, We look to the star,
Reminding us to care for our world.
We call upon you.
Amen



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Mrs Kay Gleeson
Principal

Our Leadership Team



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Mr John Thomas
Senior Deputy Principal –
Head of School



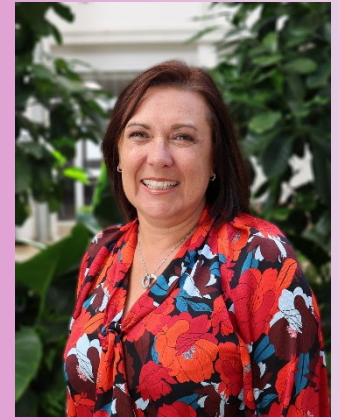
Dr Karen Schofield
Deputy Principal –
Students and Wellbeing



Ms Delia Stecher
Deputy Principal –
Teaching and Learning



Mrs Nima Ballenger
Dean of Mission



Mrs Celia Lloyd
Director of Finance &
Business Operations

Our Story



The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Kindness + Compassion



The Rule of St Benedict

Peace + Community



The Story of Lourdes

Hope + Healing



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Three Schools, One College



College Snapshot

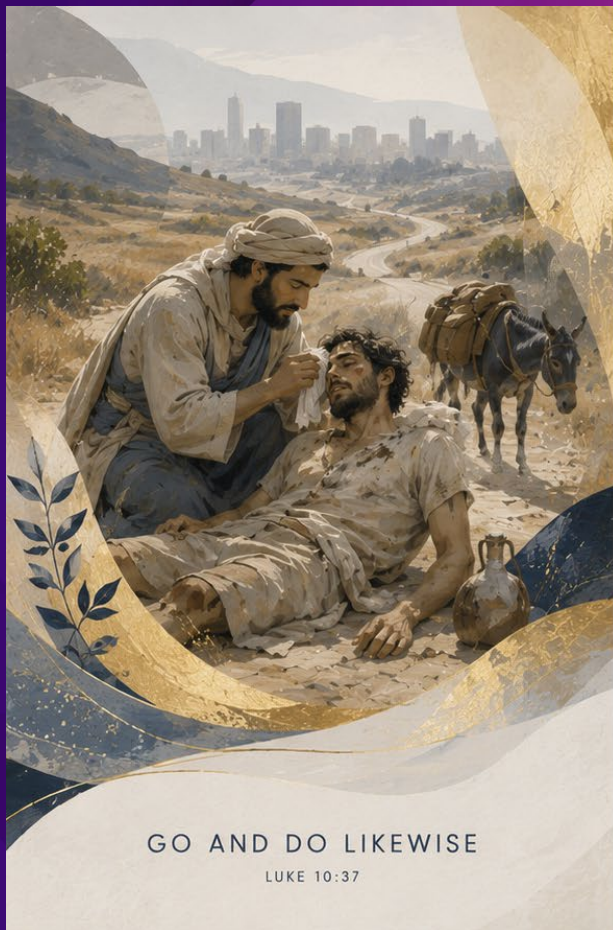
- 1,230 students
- 180 staff
- 8 Houses
- 15 sports on offer
- 90% of students participate in co-curricular opportunities (Sport, Culture or Service)
- 10 Social Justice Groups
- 8 outreach opportunities e.g (Coffee Brigade Sandwich Making)
- More than 16 Music Ensembles
- 6 Dance Troupes
- 3 Drama Ensembles
- International Education Program



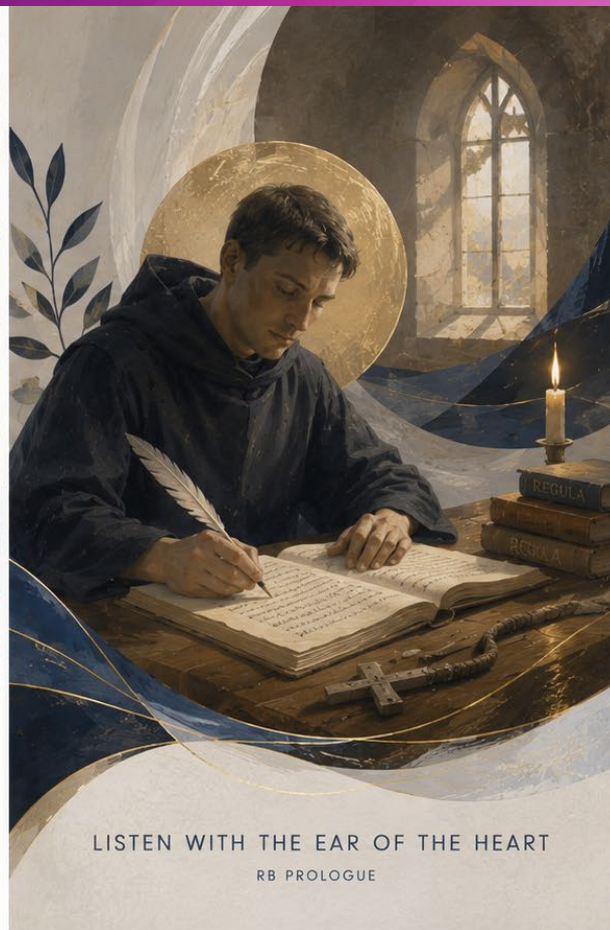


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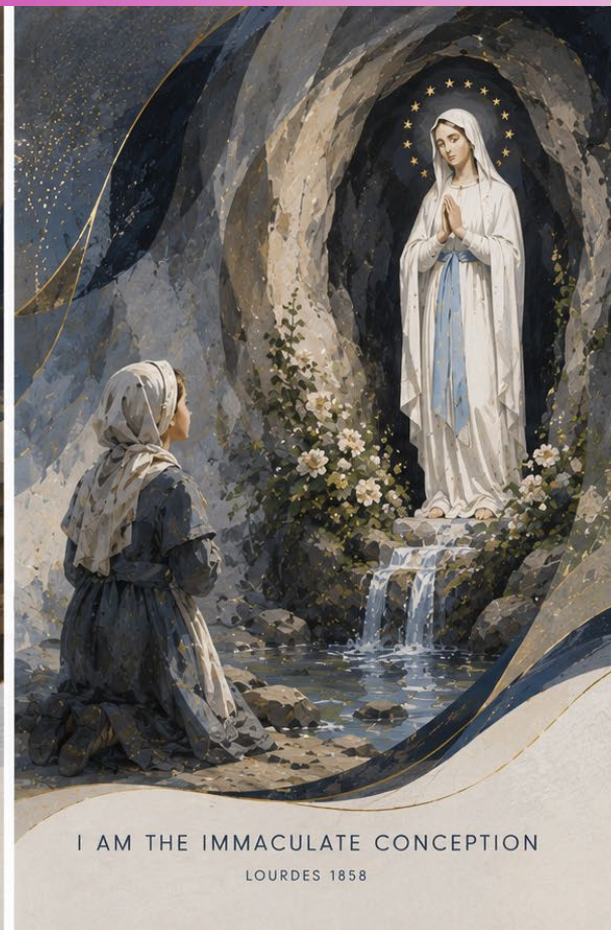
Our Three Stories



GO AND DO LIKEWISE
LUKE 10:37



LISTEN WITH THE EAR OF THE HEART
RB PROLOGUE



I AM THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
LOURDES 1858

Our Values

Stability

Persevere and persist through challenge and difficulty.



Balance

Maintain harmony, wholeness and wisdom through discernment and discipline.



Stewardship

Accept responsibility for all of creation and be just and sustainable in the use and distribution of resources.



Love of Neighbour

Show love for God through respect and care for others.



Peace

Create an environment of justice for all and freedom from disturbance.



Community

Reach out to connect and serve others locally, globally, and creating spaces of belonging for all.



Listening

Listen with the heart to be truly present and respond with compassion.



Hospitality

Respect, accept and welcome all others, especially the stranger, as Christ.



Respect

Act with deep consideration for others, valuing feelings, opinions, gifts and differences.



Justice

Foster an environment where everyone, especially the vulnerable and the marginalised are treated fairly and equitably.



Religious Life of College

- Assembly Prayer
- Thursday morning mass
- Year Level Spirituality Days
- Ash Wednesday
- Lourdes Day Mass
- Easter
- Mass of St Benedict
- Good Sams Day
- Christmas Liturgy
- Tuesday Liturgy of the Hours



Culture, Service and Outreach

Our students engage in rich, purpose-driven programs that develop independence, global awareness and a strong sense of purpose.

- **Immersion** - First Nations, Mt Isa, Mater Dei, Philippines, East Timor
- **Study Tours** – Language and subject specific
- **Industry Work Placement** – Real-world experience
- **Duke of Edinburgh Award** – Challenge & service





Ms Delia Stecher
Deputy Principal – Teaching & Learning

Teaching and Learning

Well beings, learn

Next year we will cover:

- **Academic transition**
- **Timetable**
- **Homework**
- **Assessment**
- **Organisation and student diaries**
- **Learning routines**



Academic Support

Academic Support & Mentoring (Years 5–12)

- Weekly Academic Mentoring lesson for every students

Faculty of Differentiated Learning (Years 5–12)

- Dedicated Faculty of Differentiated Learning providing targeted support and extension opportunities
- Literacy and numeracy intervention programs
- Individualised learning support tailored to student needs
- High Achievers' Program (HAS) for gifted and high-performing students

Mirragin Program (Years 5–12)

- Dedicated support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
- Led by the Mirragin Coordinator and Support Officer
- Promotes:
 - Academic success
 - Cultural identity
 - Spiritual development
 - Reconciliation and community connection





Dr Karen Schofield

Deputy Principal – Students and Wellbeing



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Wellbeing

Our Stella Wellbeing Framework equips students with strategies to thrive socially, emotionally, spiritually and academically:

- Deputy of Wellbeing
- Head of Pastoral Care
- House Pastoral Leaders for each eight Houses
- Homeroom Teacher
- Counselling Team
- Vertical Homeroom system (students in Years 7-12 mixed in together)
- Big Sister / Little Sister program: mentoring opportunity for Years 7 and 11 students who are paired up
- Purple Hearts (peer support program)
- House Patron Days
- Strong partnership between school and home



LHC Wellbeing Framework

Stella Wellbeing year 7 Practical strategies to build resilience and connections as well as recognize and manage emotions



- Evidence-based
- Incorporates 7 elements of Wellbeing framework
- Specific Strategies to build 'toolkit'
- Optimism

Houses & House Pastoral Leaders

- 8 Houses led by House Pastoral Leader
- Under each House sits 6 Home Groups
- Homegroup Teacher - day to today pastoral care
- Middle School Pastoral Leader
- College Counsellors
- A strong support network focused on the Wellbeing of every student
- Vertical homeroom system – Students Years 7 – 12
- Year 7 Student – Year 11 'Big Sister' | Year 8 Student – Year 12 'Big Sister'



Inter-house Activities and Competitions



House Activities



Camps and Retreats



Year 5

Sunshine Coast Adventure Camp

Year 6

Canberra Trip

Year 7

Redland Bay Adventure Camp

Year 9

Sunshine Coast Adventure Camp

Year 10

Adventure Camp

Year 12

Retreats



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Other Learning Opportunities	Service Clubs	Outreach Opportunities
CO-CURRICULAR MUSIC	MINNIE VINNIES Junior School	COFFEE BRIGADE
CO-CURRICULAR DRAMA	STAR Junior School	MEALS ON WHEELS
CO-CURRICULAR DANCE	SPARCLES Junior School	EAT UP SANDWICH MAKING (Year 7-12)
CO-CURRICULAR STUDIO ART PROGRAM	BENENSON SOCIETY Middle/Senior School	MICAH PROJECTS (Year 10-12)
DEBATING	HOSPITALITY OUTREACH PROGRAM (HOPE) Middle/Senior School	SALVATION ARMY SUNDAY ROAST (Year 11-12)
DUKE OF EDINBURGH PROGRAM	LÁRCH DISABILITY OUTREACH Middle/Senior School	WESLEY MISSION COMMUNITY MEALS (Year 11-12)
RACI TITRATION COMPETITION	MIND OVER MATTER Middle/Senior School	ROSIES STREET VAN (Year 12)
READERS CUP	STUDENTS PROTECTING AND RESTORING CREATION (SPARC) Middle/Senior School	IMMERSION PROGRAMS Red Earth-Cape York (Year 11) Timor Leste (Year 10-11) Mt Isa (Year 11) Mater Dei (Year 11) and Philippines (Year 11)
ROBOTICS & TECHNOLOGY CLUB	SANTA TERESA AND RECONCILIATION GROUP (STAR) Middle/Senior School	
TECHNICAL SERVICES	ST VINCENT DE PAUL Middle/Senior School	



Performing Arts

Music	Drama
Junior School Stella Voce Vocal Ensemble Immersive Band & Strings Prelude Strings Nova Band Instrumental Lessons	Junior School Debut Drama Ensemble Junior Play Production (short) Middle School (Years 7 & 8) Centre Stage Drama Ensemble Middle Play Production (short) Senior School Encore Drama Ensemble Senior Play Production (short)
Middle & Senior School Kelly Band Soul Sisters Band Symphonic Band Nova Band Intermezzo Strings Chamber Strings Prelude Strings Percussion Ensemble Indigo Guitar Ensemble Flutopia Reedemption Clarinet Ensemble Poco Voce Vocal Ensemble Concert Vox Vocal Ensemble Constellations Vocal Ensemble	Dance
	Junior School Shake Dance Troupe (beg) Revolution Dance Troupe (adv) Middle & Senior School Evolution Dance Troupe Expression Dance Troupe (beg) Synergy Dance Troupe Innovate Dance Troupe



Sport at LHC



Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
AEROBICS Regular Season	AEROBICS Regular Season	AEROBICS Regular Season Nationals (Yrs 5-12)	
AFL CASSSA Senior (Yrs 10-12) LHC/MAFC Team (Yrs 5-6)	AFL Schools Cup LHC/MAFC Team (Yrs 5-6)	AFL Schools Cup LHC/MAFC Team (Yrs 5-6)	AFL Schools Cup CASSSA Junior (Yrs 7-9) Superkick (Yrs 5-6)
SWIMMING CASSSA (Yrs 5-12)	CROSS COUNTRY CASSSA (Yrs 5-12)	ATHLETICS CASSSA (Yrs 5-7)	SWIMMING Training (Yrs 5-12)
BASKETBALL SDBL Club (Yrs 5-6) Basketball Excellence	BASKETBALL Basketball Excellence	BASKETBALL CASSSA Open (Yrs 7-12) CASSSA Junior (Yrs 7-8) CBSQ (Yrs 5-12) Basketball Excellence	BASKETBALL CASSSA Inter (Yrs 9-10) CBSQ (Yrs 7-10) SDBL Club (Yrs 5-7) Basketball Excellence
FIT STRENGTH Yrs 7-12	FIT STRENGTH Yrs 7-12	FIT STRENGTH Yrs 7-12	FIT STRENGTH Yrs 7-12 Mini Fit (Yrs 5-6)
	KAYAKING Competitive (Yrs 7-12) Recreational (Yrs 5-7)		KAYAKING Competitive (Yrs 7-12)
NETBALL Downey Park (Yrs 5-8) Rep Teams (Yrs 5-12)	NETBALL Downey Park (Yrs 5-8) CASSSA Open (Yrs 11-12) CASSSA Inter (Yrs 9-10) Rep Teams (Yrs 5-12)	NETBALL Downey Park (Yrs 5-8)	NETBALL CASSSA Junior (Yrs 7-8)
ROWING Pre-Season (Yrs 8-12)	ROWING BSRA Season (Yrs 8-12)	ROWING BSRA Season (Yrs 8-12)	ROWING Come and Try (Yrs 7-11)
RUGBY 7's CASSSA Program (Yrs 7-8)	RUGBY 7's CASSSA Gala Day (Yrs 7-12)		
RUN CLUB Yrs 5-12	RUN CLUB Yrs 5-12	RUN CLUB Yrs 5-12	RUN CLUB Yrs 5-12
SAILING RQYS Racing (Yrs 7-12) BSS Start to Sail (Yrs 5-7)		SOCCER CASSSA Open (Yrs 11-12) CASSSA Junior (Yrs 7-9)	SAILING RQYS Racing (Yrs 7-12) BSS Start to Sail (Yrs 5-7)
STUDIO PILATES (Over 14 Years Old)	STUDIO PILATES (Over 14 Years Old)	STUDIO PILATES (Over 14 Years Old)	STUDIO PILATES (Over 14 Years Old)
TENNIS CASSSA (Yrs 5-12)	TENNIS Winter Training (Yrs 5-12)	TENNIS Winter Training (Yrs 5-12)	TENNIS Knowles Cup (Yrs 7-12)
TOUCH FOOTBALL Brisbane Metro (Yrs 5-12)	TOUCH FOOTBALL Brisbane Metro (Yrs 5-12)	TOUCH FOOTBALL Brisbane Metro (Yrs 5-12)	TOUCH FOOTBALL Brisbane Metro (Yrs 5-12) All Schools (Yrs 5-12)
VOLLEYBALL CASSSA Open (Yrs 11-12) CASSSA Inter (Yrs 9-10)	VOLLEYBALL CASSSA Junior (Yrs 7-8) Schools Cup (Yrs 9-10)	VOLLEYBALL Schools Cup (Yrs 11-12)	VOLLEYBALL Schools Cup (Yrs 7-8)



Ms Natalie McClure

Head of Middle School



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Lunchtime Activities

- Re-furbishing old Barbie's
- Packaging hearts with kindness messages
- Making small teddy bears
- Beading friendship bracelets



- Just Dance Contest
- Handball Competitions
- Minecraft Building Competitions
- Netball, Basketball, Dodgeball

Little Sister/Big Sister Activities



Middle School Social Justice Project



Books for Building Brilliance



Blankets for Brisbane



We Care for Kids

Orientation Day 1 – Friday 4 September

Drop off between 8:00 - 8:25am Gate 2

LHC Year 6 students use normal drop off and pick up

New Students arrive via Gate 2 (Hawthorne Road at the Lights). Parents to say goodbye at the GSC and students will be directed to the Good Samaritan Centre

Student Welcome at 8:30am

Year 7 students will spend the day in their House Groups participating in activities led by their House Pastoral Leader, Home Group Teachers and supporting teachers

Pick up at 3:00pm - Virginia Avenue Pick-up Zone



What to Bring?

- New students to wear current primary school sports uniform, comfortable shoes & hat
- LHC Year 6 students to wear their LHC House polo and sports shorts and hat
- Bring a small back-pack, water bottle and writing materials (2B pencil, eraser and colouring pens/pencils)
- Morning Tea and Lunch
- Medication if required – please advise a staff member at registration
- New students that ordered a Stationary Pack will collect at the end of the day

Orientation Day 2 - Stella Wellbeing Day

Wednesday 4th November | 8.30am - 3.00pm

Students will spend a second day on campus with their House Pastoral Leader, continuing their LHC transition to Middle School.

Activities will focus on developing friendship skills and connection.



What's Next

School Of Term 4 - emailed next Wednesday 9 September

Uniform Fittings commence 21 October via booking link on Orientation Webpage

Class of 2032 Closed Facebook Page – invitation to join page end of Term 4

College App - email Term 4 with password and instructions on how to download

- Absences/Sickness
- Medical Details (Parents can update this)
- Events and Payments (School events, excursions etc)
- Extra-curricular (Co-curricular) signups (currently being updated)
- Student reports and progressive results
- School Calendar (includes events and daily notices)
- Notifications

2027 Parent Handbook – link in Term 4



LHC Orientation Webpage

www.lhc.qld.edu.au/lourdes-hill-college-orientation



Term Dates 2027

Term	Start Date	End Date
Term 1	Wednesday 27 January Years 5,6,7, 11 & 12 Thursday 28 January All Students	Thursday 1 April
Term 2	Monday 19 April	Thursday 17 June
Term 3	Tuesday 13 July	Friday 17 September
Term 4	Tuesday 5 October	Friday 19 November - Year 12 Thursday 25 November - Years 5 to 11



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Please keep us updated of any changes to your **home address, email or phone number.**

We look forward to sharing
this exciting journey with
you and your daughter!



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