



Our Lady of  
Mercy College

Embracing Life | Nurturing Faith | Inspiring Learning







## Learning for today; Learning for the future

Our Lady of Mercy College is a nurturing co-educational secondary College for students from Year 7 to Year 12. Situated in a peaceful environment, our beautiful College has been designed with students in mind. It has engaging learning areas and an abundance of open space and sporting facilities.

The Catholic faith, in the Mercy tradition, is at the heart of the College. Our guiding philosophy is centred in "Embracing Life, Nurturing Faith and Inspiring Learning."

We encourage our students to embrace all aspects of life, to nurture their spirituality and to let their natural curiosity inspire deep learning. Our focus upon global competencies, ensures our students are engaged in relevant real-world issues. They are learning for today, and learning for the future.



## Embracing Life

Embracing Life encourages our students to become the best person they can be and to build healthy relationships with others. By facing the challenges which are part of life with a positive outlook, our young people can move with purpose towards achieving their goals.

At Mercy, support for student wellbeing is developed through a growth mindset that uses a "strengths-based" approach. Helping students to know their strengths, and how to use them in working through challenges, assists them to develop greater resilience.

The College's proactive approach to wellbeing is seen as an essential step in helping students to maximise their opportunities.

*"We embrace life at the College as everybody joins in together and looks after each other."*

Harrison Krawczyk, Year 7





## Nurturing Faith

To support the Religious Education programme, Our Lady of Mercy College has adopted the Mercy Educational Values of Respect, Compassion, Justice, Courage, Service and Hospitality.

Students are encouraged to integrate these values into all aspects of their lives.

The Christian Service Learning programmes in Years 7 – 10 provide focussed home and community-based activities which further develop these values.

Students further nurture their spirituality by attending an annual retreat with their year group. They regularly participate in school and class liturgies, celebrate House and College Feast Days alongside other important Catholic days.

***"We learn about the Mercy Values and say a prayer in the morning. We also care for each other."***

**Leela Baird, Year 7**



## Inspiring Learning



**We want to develop learners who can thrive in turbulent and complex times, apply critical thinking to new situations and change the world by developing solutions to local and global issues.**

At the heart of student learning are six global competencies which describe the skills and attributes needed for learners to flourish as citizens of the world. Often referred to as the "6 Cs", these global competencies are identified as Character, Citizenship, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity and Critical Thinking.

Deep learning occurs when we use these competencies to engage in issues and tasks of value to students and the world. This deep learning focus will ensure that Mercy students are well placed to successfully engage in an ever-changing local and global work environment.

All students attending Our Lady of Mercy College undertake courses in Religious Education. In addition to the core learning areas of English, Maths, Science and Humanities Year 7 students engage in a broad rotation of elective courses.

This approach is designed to give students experience in new learning areas and provide them with opportunities to identify subjects which appeal to both their strengths and interests.

Throughout Years 7 – 12, the College provides a wide range of courses which span the following nine Learning Areas:

- Arts • English • Health and Physical Education • Humanities
- Languages • Mathematics • Religious Education • Science
- Technology.

***"The teachers at Our Lady Of Mercy College inspire our learning as they always try to make everything fun."***

**Isabella Hart, Year 7**

## Careers Planning and VET Team

The College has a dedicated Careers Planning and Vocational Education and Training Team that provides students and parents with relevant in-depth information to assist them in making choices regarding employment, training and further study.

To create exciting opportunities for our students, the Careers and VET Team works closely with local businesses and training providers.



## Sports Science Programme – Leadership and Performance

This specialist programme commences at the College in 2021. This exciting initiative will appeal to those interested in a career pathway directed towards sports science, health and fitness.

The programme provides students with the opportunity to enhance their skills and knowledge in a wide range of sporting fields. Importantly, it will also focus on enhancing their leadership and team-building characteristics.

## Learning Support

We support all students in their learning to help them to achieve their full potential. In particular, our learning support team works closely with students, families and teachers to develop and deliver individual learning plans for students with learning difficulties and disabilities.

## Co-Curricular

The College offers a wide range of Co-Curricular activities including Year 7 Activity Days, Year 10 Adventure Camp, Year 12 Retreat, Tournament of Minds, Debating, Tree Planting, Philosothon, the Australian Geography Competition, the Australian History Competition, Speak for Faith, Yoh Fest, Chess Club, Drama Club... to name a few.



## Instrumental Program

The College offers students the opportunity to learn an instrument through our Instrumental Program. Music lessons, including singing, are available for complete beginners through to the more advanced students.

Students have the option to join a number of ensembles to further their enjoyment and skills in the area of Music.

## How to enrol

Applications for enrolment can be made through our website [www.olmca.edu.au](http://www.olmca.edu.au). Please complete the online enrolment form. You will be asked to upload your child's Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate and Visa/Citizenship Certificate (if applicable) with the application. A non-refundable \$50 Enrolment Application Fee applies.

For more information on enrolling your child, please email [enrolments@olmca.wa.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@olmca.wa.edu.au) or contact the College Registrar on 9720 3300.

