



### Message from our Principal

Our priority is the Lord Jesus Christ, and that our students will know Him, grow in Him and serve Him to their full potential.

At RPCS, we're committed to excellence in Christian education. We offer an exceptional range of opportunities and outstanding educational practices. We see and value each child—equipping young people to grow up into confident and courageous followers of Jesus.

Our greatest resource is our capable and committed staff, each of whom have a personal, active faith, and cares deeply for our students. Just as we encourage our students to grow in their gifts, we nurture our staff as people and educators. Over the last few years, RPCS teachers have been on a journey of excellence in education, with outstanding results.

High test scores and rankings have their place, but an RPCS education is deeper than that. 'No child left behind, and no child held back' is our guiding principle. We cater for all students, no matter where they're at.

With a history of nearly 50 years, RPCS was the first Australian Christian Community School. It was established as a ministry of a local church in partnership with families.

Our founding principal, Rev. Bob Frisken, was committed to giving Christian families the option of a school that would teach and uphold their values, beliefs and worldview.

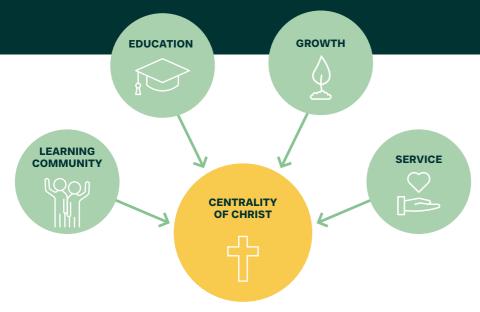
We continue to offer partnership to families looking for a school that educates from a Christian framework where staff exemplify the care of Christ and support young people to use their gifts for the glory of God.

May you know God's richest blessings as you discern and discover the right school for your child.

**Les Barnard,** Principal

## This is our mission.

**Our Mission** is to foster a Christ-centred learning community where all students receive an education that enables them to know the Lord Jesus Christ, grow in Him and serve Him to their full potential.



#### **Centrality of Christ**

Our school recognises the source of all hope to be in the Lord Jesus Christ. Biblical principles are the foundation of our curriculum, faith and practice.

#### **Learning Community**

Our staff will be growing Christians and Godly role models who strive to be excellent practitioners. Our school community will be characterised by quality relationships that reflect Christ's loving servant leadership. Our school will serve the Christian community by working in partnership with parents and church to provide an environment conducive to learning.

#### **Education**

Our students will receive an education based on Biblical values. Our school will provide an education that affirms that all truth is God's truth and as such will reflect in each subject the existence and purposes of the Creator-Redeemer God. Our school will provide an education that will meet and exceed Government standards. Our school will provide a safe, quality learning environment.

Our school will enable students to better access life beyond school and continue learning throughout life by the development of critical thought and the enjoyment of learning.

Growth Our students will be given the opportunity to know and grow in the Lord Jesus Christ and to develop in all areas of their lives.

#### Service

Our students will be encouraged to use and develop their gifts and abilities to serve God, their church, community and others to their full potential. Our students will be equipped to be Godly citizens in the wider community.

... speaking the truth in love, we grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

**EPHESIANS 4:15** 





# Our place to grow in faith.

Parents who value a Christian education for their children are looking for a school with a worldview that aligns with their values. They want to be able to trust that the school will be directing, guiding and influencing their children towards Jesus and the Christian faith.

Regents Park Christian School integrates a Christian worldview and a biblical framework into all we do. Weekly Chapel services include worship songs and a devotional message; classes begin with daily devotions; and staff often pray for and with students.

Every RPCS staff member models their authentic, active Christian faith. It informs the way we present curriculum, work positively with students and our belief that every person is a uniquely gifted individual, created and loved by God.

Through our approach to Christian education we affirm the values of growth, learning and developing each child's gifts and talents. All of which leads to academic excellence.

Our goal is to offer a rigorous, comprehensive education without compromising on quality or values.

#### **PSALM 1:1-3**

Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked or
stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,

2but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on his law day and night.

3That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season

and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.

Faith is at the heart of everything we do."

TRISHA DENHOLM, HEAD OF SECONDARY









# Our place to grow in community.

Children learn best when they are cared for and feel safe. At Regents Park Christian School we provide a nurturing, inclusive environment, and commit to supporting each child's unique needs.

Our classrooms are collaborative, nurturing and flourishing environments where all students are known, valued and supported by gentle and kind staff who really care.

We prioritise creating a caring community at all levels of the school. Our strong focus on student wellbeing comes from the school leadership and underpins all learning outcomes. All our teachers are trained in effective wellbeing programs.

Just as we care for our students, we go over and above when it comes to the professional development and wellbeing of our staff. We celebrate the fact that RPCS is highly multicultural, with over 60 cultural backgrounds identified as being part of the school family. We are committed to providing opportunities for our students and families to celebrate their culture and to be proud of their backgrounds.

The school has been such a blessing for our family. We can see our children thrive academically, grow, and flourish each day in their faith, and most importantly they feel safe, valued and cared for."

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l'm deeply connected to this school, having been a student and a teacher here. I've seen first-hand the nurturing and supportive environment it provides, which was particularly significant during personal challenges in my life. This culture of care combined with a commitment to academic excellence is why I'm passionate about being here."

MELINDA GINDY, DIVERSE LEARNING COORDINATOR

# No child held back, No child left behind.

We delight in the diversity of our students, and our curriculum is designed to meet a broad range of student needs.

Regents Park Christian School holds to the guiding principle of 'No child held back, no child left behind' because it allows everyone to flourish, no matter who they are or what their circumstances.

We help every student set out on a learning journey that makes the most of their unique talents.

Gifted and talented students often have a starting point above their peers so they're encouraged to continue to stretch and grow through our Gateway Program. This program is different for each pupil, and may include Extension classes, Acceleration, and Enrichment electives in areas like robotics and coding.

We also have extensive experience in providing support for students from non-English speaking backgrounds.

For those with diagnosed or suspected disabilities, we work closely with parents and health professionals to create tailored, individual learning plans and to embed diverse learning opportunities in the curriculum.

We celebrate when our students achieve highscoring HSC results—and they do! But we also celebrate when our students achieve results that show their growth in anything they pursue.

We're a school that works hard to help each young person achieve their best.

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

**JOHN 10:10B** 





# Our Primary Department.

Primary school is a special time in children's lives, full of curiosity, discovery and enrichment. Every one of our Primary classrooms is a collaborative, nurturing and flourishing environment, where all students are well-known and valued.

Our educators are dedicated to seeing each child achieve the best possible outcomes and to continual professional development. Delivering best practice in every classroom is our standard at Regents Park Christian School, and our NAPLAN results reflect consistent student improvement, above the state average, across all domains.

We aim to foster a deep love and appreciation of reading.

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 can borrow from the Primary library each day, while students in Years 3-6 have access to their own library and the Secondary library.

#### Key learning areas in our Primary program include:

- English
- Mathematics
- Creative Arts (Drama, Visual Art, Dance and Music),
- Human Society and its Environment (History and Geography),
- Science and Technology (including Digital Technologies), and
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education.

One of the advantages of enrolling your child in a K-12 school is access to specialist teachers and spaces. This particularly benefits gifted and talented students. We run literacy and mathematical interventions for those who will benefit from this support.

Importantly, from K-12, Regents Park Christian School is well-resourced to support student wellbeing, with teacher's aides, a psychologist, counselling team and emotional support dogs on staff.

Social and emotional skills are actively taught and fostered through evidence-based programs, giving children a common language to build friendships, be considerate, solve problems and express their unique emotions.

RPCS holds weekly chapels for Primary students, which includes time to worship together, hear from the Bible and to recognise student achievements of all kinds.

**Esther Lawson,** Head of Primary

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

**ROMANS 8:28** 









The staff are fantastic, they are nurturing, attentive, supportive, committed, show genuine care for all their students, and want to see them succeed."

RPCS PARENT

# Our Secondary Department.

The Secondary Department at RPCS focuses on the academic, social, emotional, physical and spiritual growth of each child as they prepare for adulthood.

We encourage and cater for a diverse range of interests and aptitudes, offering many enrichment subjects, acceleration and HSC Extension courses. Vocational and VET courses are also available.

Students benefit from an extraordinarily high calibre of teaching staff at RPCS with many of our educators having extensive experience in the classroom and in leadership.

Each year, we are delighted to see the high levels of achievement across a range of interschool competitions and in the HSC. Alongside academic growth, we place a high value on respecting every student as a whole person.

Evidence-based wellbeing programs run throughout school years to support students in their social and emotional learning; and our educators are complemented by a large team of teachers' aides, counsellors, external therapists and wellbeing dogs.

A whole secondary camp is a highlight of each year, where outdoor learning experiences and faith facilitation all contribute to building students' faith and friendships. Daily devotions and weekly Chapel services continue throughout Secondary School.

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

**EPHESIANS 2:10** 

Leadership opportunities abound. Students of all ages are able to serve in roles on sporting teams, in Chapel and on the Tribal Council. In Years 11 and 12, students are nominated and elected to serve as members of the Prefect body, with portfolios of responsibility across a variety of domains.

RPCS is the place your teenager can grow!

Trisha Denholm, Head of Secondary

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# Our Co-curricular Opportunities.

There's something for everyone at Regents Park Christian School, whether it's sport, music or the arts, robotics, chess or even Latin.

Sporting students have an opportunity to compete at the highest levels through the Christian Schools Australia network and the NSW Combined Independent Schools Sports Council (CIS).

Students with an aptitude for music can join orchestra and choir and make the most of individual tutoring during school hours.

Our list of unique co-curricular activities and lunch clubs is extensive and may change from year to year. Please ask about what is currently available.

- Robotics/Coding
- Latin
- Choir
- Orchestra
- Music tutoring
- Eisteddfods
- World Scholar's Cup
- National Young Leaders Conference
- Chess
- Table tennis
- Night of the Notables
- Athletics Club
- Gardening
- Debating
- Woodwork
- Coding
- Origami
- Sporting gala days for
  - Basketball
  - Netball
  - Oztag
  - Soccer







### Life at Our School

### **Tribes**

Each student is assigned to one of three 'tribes', championing our school values of Honour, Community and Stewardship. Students work together to earn points for their tribe throughout the year. Representative students from these tribes form the RPCS Tribal Council, giving the students voice and agency within the school community.







### Transport

The school is close to public bus services. Rail services run to and from Regents Park Train Station.

We value your child's time and safety, so RPCS provides bus services on three routes not covered by public transport. This includes: Newington, Botanica, Lidcombe, Riverwood, Hurstville, Kingsgrove, Bass Hill, Georges Hall, Bankstown Aerodrome, Yagoona, and Birrong.

Families who use this service pay a bus service fee each term to help with the running costs.

#### Canteen

Our school canteen offers a wide variety of healthy options for students to choose from, including daily specials, cooked onsite using fresh ingredients.

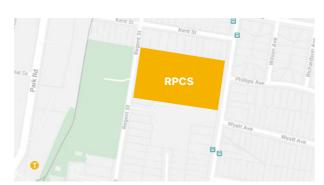
We also host special theme days and occasionally organise sausage sizzle fundraising events.

Parents and students can order online through Munch Monitor and manage their children's lunch orders daily, or plan ahead for the week.

### Location

Regents Park Christian School is a K-12 school located in Regents Park, NSW, a suburb of Sydney.

"Kiss and drop" zones are allocated to allow you to safely drop-off and pick-up your child within a twominute timeframe.



### Discipling and Restoration

Regents Park Christian School seeks to be a Christcentred learning community where all students are nurtured to know the Lord Jesus Christ, grow in Him and serve Him to their full potential.

This means we must follow Jesus' teaching when he says we must love God first then one another.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength... Love your neighbour as yourself.

MARK 12:30-31

We express this love by honouring each other, building community and practising stewardship. Expectations for behaviour are embedded within these values and are always stated positively.

### WE GIVE HONOUR **WE BUILD** Interact positively WE PRACTISE STEWARDSHIP

- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Wear the uniform correctly
- Clean up after yourself
- Use good manners

- Move safely
- Include others
- Follow instructions

Use time well

Listen actively

property

Take responsibility for your

Care for equipment and

### After-School Care for Primary **Students**

We have partnered with Camp Australia to provide after-school care to families who need this service. Registration is available via their website and bookings can be managed online.

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# How to apply.

**Enrolment involves a number of straight-forward steps.** 

- Discover what RPCS has to offer your child.
   Explore our website then book a school tour where you can ask questions and see for yourself if our community is right for your child.
- Apply for enrolment. Complete our "Application for Enrolment" form and provide the requested documents. You will need to pay a nonrefundable application fee of \$100 when you submit your application.
- Have an interview with RPCS. Once we've reviewed your application and confirmed that a place is available for your child, we'll invite you to attend an Enrolment Interview with the Principal and/or Head of School.

Interviews are held in Term 2 of the year prior to the date your child starts school.

- Receive an offer. If your application is successful we'll send you a letter of offer with the Conditions of Enrolment and ask you to tell us more about your child.
- Accept our offer. Once you've accepted the offer and paid the acceptance fee, you'll get information about Orientation and we'll send you a guide to preparing to start school.
- Welcome. Congratulations! Your child—and you are now part of the RPCS family.

Our team is available to answer any questions you may have about the enrolment process.



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We prioritise enrolment based on application dates, and spots can fill up quickly.

**Don't wait**—reach out today to avoid missing out!







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Book a tour today

Regents Park Christian School is an affordable, high-quality, co-educational Christian private school based just south of Sydney Olympic Park. We provide excellence in Christian education from Kindergarten to Year 12.

#### **Regents Park Christian School**

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