



Prospectus



Together Towards Tomorrow

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Enrolling at Currambine

Every parent wants the best for their children and this includes the selection of a primary school that will offer an education experience that is engaging, rigorous, diverse and supportive.

At Currambine Primary, over fifty percent of our parents have come from beyond our school boundaries drawn by our reputation for academic challenge, high standards of student behaviour, a caring and supportive community and a staff always willing to 'go the extra mile' for the students in our care.

We offer high quality curriculum tailored to the needs of our students, specialist programs in Physical Education, Music, Visual Art and French and a learning environment focussed on the social and emotional growth of each student. Currambine Primary School seeks to offer a learning environment that is engaging, diverse, differentiated and rich with digital learning experiences.

Our school motto, 'Together Towards Tomorrow', emphasises the importance we place on our sense of community, our desire to innovate and develop learners prepared for the 21st century.

I am proud to be the Principal of this wonderful school and am confident that your child will flourish in the unique environment that is our school.

Geoff Smith

Principal



Our Vision

Currumbine Primary School strives to grow each child's academic knowledge and skills, leadership capacity, sense of wellbeing and intrapersonal skills in an inclusive, engaging, diverse and positive learning environment.

Our Motto

Together Towards Tomorrow

Our Values

At Currumbine Primary School we value:

- A pursuit of knowledge and a commitment to individual excellence
- Self acceptance and respect of self
- Respect and concern for others and their rights
- Social and civic responsibility
- Environmental responsibility

Our Philosophy

At Currumbine Primary School we believe in:

- Valuing, supporting and promoting excellence in all that we do
- Actively supporting our students' to manage their mental health and well being and their relationships with others including the development of a sense of empathy and concern for the welfare of others.
- Providing an engaging, supportive, inclusive and enjoyable environment for all members of the school community
- Promoting learning as a life long pursuit and encouraging all members of the community to be reflective, collaborative, pro-active and respectful
- Developing the leadership capacity of all members of the school community
- Promoting problem solving, appropriate risk taking, critical and creative thinking
- Whole school community events, for example the Carols by Twilight and Currumbine Community ANZAC Service
- Well established home community links – newsletter, website, parent meetings
- Extensive range of Pastoral Care initiatives, including the Seven Habits of Highly Effective People, Ambassadors and Chaplaincy Programme
- Purpose built and air conditioned facilities, including Art Room, Science Laboratory and extensive play and activity areas with Astroturf.
- Strong Ethics and Civics Programme including supporting our sister school in Cambodia, World Vision Child and Environmental Club
- Committed, experienced, caring and collaborative staff

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Primary School Structure

Our Primary School provides for the educational needs of children from Kindergarten to Year Six. We have over 825 students in our care and specific managerial structures are in place to support both internal management issues and parent contact.

The students and staff in Kindergarten to Year One are managed by Associate Principal, Mrs Asher Dragun. The Year Two and Three classes are managed by Mrs Michelle Drage and the Year Four to Six staff and students are managed by Mrs Janine Moses. The Associate Principals are under the leadership of the School Principal, Mr Geoff Smith.

Caring for Our Students

At Currumbine Primary School, we believe in actively supporting students to manage their mental health and well being and their relationships with others including the development of a sense of empathy and concern for the welfare of others.

All students throughout the school participate in health programs specifically designed to develop their capacity to manage themselves and their relationships with others. This includes:

The Leader In Me program is offered to all students in the school from Kindergarten to Year Six and aims to develop in each child, seven critical life skills:

- Be proactive (You are in charge)
- Begin with the end in mind (I plan ahead and set goals)
- Put first things first (First work, then play)
- Think win win (Everyone can win)
- Seek first to understand then to be understood

(Listen before you talk)

- Synergise (Together is better)
- Sharpen the saw (Balance feels best)

The 'I Do It' programs are offered to children in Kindergarten to Year One and focuses on playing together, manners, problem solving and resolving conflict.

The 'Friendly Schools Plus' program which focuses on bullying prevention is offered to the students in Years Two, Three and Four. Students in Years Five and Six complete this program as well with a focus on managing online bullying.

The 'Bounce Back' program focuses on developing our students resiliency, that ability to bounce back from challenging or disappointing situations. This program is offered to students in Years Two, Four and Six.

The 'Aussie Optimism' program is offered to students in Years Five and Six and focusses on social and thinking skills and positive thinking.

The school has many resources to support the social and emotional needs of our students. Our School Psychologist is on the site two days a week and works with families and school staff to offer small group support and individual case management. Our School chaplain also works two days a week and provides individual and small group support for our students. The school also has access to a nurse who conducts specific screening of Kindergarten children and can support children with specific concerns. Parents are always most welcome to approach the school to access this support for their children.



The Currambine Curriculum

Currambine Primary School seeks to offer a rich and inclusive curriculum. Parents are most welcome to visit our website which includes detailed information about our curriculum and pedagogical practices used in the school.

The school is committed to a values rich educational experience as described in relation to our social and emotional development program.

We also believe that the school curriculum should be digitally rich. All students in Kindergarten to Year Three have access to iPads while students in Years Four to Six have access to Macbook laptops. These tools are used to support the delivery of the curriculum. All classrooms also have eboards in them to support the learning programs.

Our school offers specialist programs in Music, French, Physical Education and Visual Art. Many further activities are connected to these programs which include; interschool and after school sporting programs and specialist instrumental instruction for selected Year Six students. All students in Years Two through Six have special performance opportunities including:

- Year Two - Joondalup Lantern Festival
- Year Three - Carols by Twilight
- Year Four - Farewell Song
- Year Five - WA Government Schools Music Society Festival Performance
- Year Six - Graduation Song

Literacy and Numeracy are central to the learning programs we offer. All children in the early childhood are exposed to systematic instruction in synthetic phonics to maximise their literacy success. We do offer specialist small group intervention programs such as Minilit, Multilit and Direct Instruction.

The teaching of mathematics includes a strong focus on conceptual, understand and application. The programs focus on explicit instruction with multiple opportunities to practice mathematics skills successfully. Mental mathematics instruction includes a focus on both mastery of basic facts and combinations and learning strategies to complete complex mental calculations.

Differentiation is an important part of this curriculum delivery process at Currambine Primary School. When appropriate, children are to be offered differentiated instruction through group adjustments and programs, both in and outside of the classroom, or individual case management plans. Our school welcomes the enrolment of all students including those with a disability, English as additional language or experiencing challenges with their learning.

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Student Care and Support

The school sees the management of student behaviour as a caring and supportive process. To support students, individual teachers have classroom based rewards and consequences.

The school seeks to manage student behaviour positively and uses whole school faction tokens to reward positive behaviour. Children who receive faction tokens are included in a prize raffle at assemblies.

The children in Years Four to Six also participate in the Gold Class Program. The children are able to earn bronze, silver and gold level rewards. Children who receive silver or gold awards also receive a badge to wear acknowledging the excellent behaviour. Our Gold Class winners receive special privileges including sitting on the bench at assemblies and a priority line at the canteen.

On occasions when a child experiences considerable challenge managing their behaviour, we work constructively with families, our chaplain and psychologist to support the child to develop effective strategies to self manage their behaviour.

Home Reading

Home reading is an important part of the Currumbine Primary School program. All families are expected to purchase a school diary for their child. Home reading is recorded daily in the diary. As children reach milestones, they are sent to the office to receive a sticker and an 'Assembly Star'. All parents are encouraged to ensure the children read daily.





Zero to Four Programs

Our school seeks to support students from an early age and offer three programs for young children including:

- Baby Rhyme Time - Every second Wednesday, young children are welcomed into the library with their parents for Baby Rhyme Time. The children enjoy a session of nursery rhymes and singing aimed at supporting the phonic awareness skills.
- On the alternate Wednesday to the Rhyme Time program, we have Story Time. Young children and their families are welcome into the library to share stories.
- Our Play and Learning Skills (PALS) program is offered every Monday for children aged zero to four and includes outside play, indoor activities, singing and music.

These programs are a wonderful way for parents to support their child's early learning and to introduce and acclimatise their child to the school environment prior to commencing in our Kindergarten program.

Fathering Project

Our school has linked with the University of Western Australian Fathering Project to promote the importance of fathering and provide opportunities for fathers and their children to engage in shared experience. A team of fathers organise regular events throughout the year. Events have included: kite making, archery, movie nights and a particular favourite has been the billy cart derby.



Facilities

Currumbine Primary School has four purpose built teaching blocks and a fully enclosed and carpeted undercover assembly area. This makes our assemblies a comfortable experience for the students. Within the undercover area is the school canteen which operates five days a week. We also have fourteen transportable classrooms on the site. All classrooms are air conditioned and have access to wireless digital technology.

The school has specialist classroom facilities for visual art, music and science.

The school enjoys extensive play spaces with two astroturf areas, two netball courts with a synthetic surface, four playgrounds and an expansive oval.

Uniforms

Our school has a very smart uniform and all students are expected to attend school dressed in a manner consistent with our dress code. Uniforms are available from the P & C Association Uniform Shop which is open twice a week. Order forms are also available from the school website.

Community Events

Currumbine Primary School sees itself as a community and we like to gather as a community for special events and reach out to our local community to join us for such events.

In first term each year, we host our ANZAC Service; one of our most important events of the year. We take this opportunity to both remember and reflect on our service personnel and the contribution to our way of life.

The Carols by Twilight are hosted on the final Friday of fourth term. Families attend for a picnic evening meal and enjoy a performance by our Year Three students to acknowledge the festive season.

Parental Involvement

The staff of Currumbine Primary School seek to develop a genuine partnership with each of our families. You are invited to make informed and formal contact with staff as required. Email and Connect, and online communication platforms are excellent methods of communicating, as is our school diary and face to face meetings. Parents are most welcome to involve themselves in the school through:

- Classroom helper
- Excursion helper
- Parent events such as Open Night
- Parents and Citizens Association meetings and events
- School Board
- Assemblies

Enrolment

If you are interested in enrolling your child, parents are most welcome to contact the school to arrange a tour or meeting with a member of the school executive.

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