



St Margaret's



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St Margaret's has been educating young women since 1895, when the Sisters of the Society of the Sacred Advent founded a school in Nundah that would eventually be relocated to its present site in Ascot and take the name of Saint Margaret of Antioch.

Ahead of the times in their desire to further the educational opportunities available to girls, especially those from regional Queensland, the Sisters laid down strong foundations, which have endured for over 120 years.

Today, the school caters for girls from Pre-Prep to Year 12, with boarding from Year 5. Boys are also welcome in Pre-Prep and Prep.

The school's enviable location, in the safe enclave of leafy Ascot and perched on a hill with expansive views of Brisbane city and beyond, provides a peaceful sanctuary for both day and boarding students.

St Margaret's girls thrive within a warm, vibrant and supportive community, where they are free to express themselves, explore their passions and discover who they are.

They leave St Margaret's well prepared, ready to embrace their future and expand their horizons.

Discover the difference a St Margaret's education can make for your daughter.

DISCOVER *her* GIFTS

St Margaret's personalised approach to each child's learning allows her to shine in her own way.

Our broad, balanced and flexible curriculum ensures girls can explore a range of interests and disciplines, laying a strong foundation for future success.

Teaching at St Margaret's is vibrant, progressive and innovative. Our specialist staff deliver relevant, authentic and engaging programs, using the latest technology in well-equipped facilities.

Recognising that deep learning occurs only when a girl's physical, emotional, social and intellectual needs are met, St Margaret's holistic approach to education focuses on creating an optimal learning environment.

Our strong pastoral care framework, through the Head of Year and House systems, provides the girls with a broad support network and nurtures a sense of belonging throughout their schooling. Engaging in the many extracurricular opportunities available also helps every girl find her place, and, with it, a positive sense of wellbeing.

A range of additional programs outside the classroom support the girls' progress, giving them every chance to succeed – from supervised study and mentoring, through to personal and careers counselling.

Our Flyers Program for outstanding scholars from Years 7 to 12 provides girls with opportunities to embrace intellectual challenge across a range of disciplines.

Discover how a St Margaret's education can shine a light on your daughter's gifts.



DISCOVER *her* CREATIVITY

Creativity is as important now in education as literacy and we should treat it with the same status.

Ken Robinson

Nurturing and developing a child's creativity not only connects to the core of who they are, it also helps develop critical thinking and problem-solving abilities. St Margaret's embraces the Arts and Arts education, encouraging all students to sing, act, play, paint, create, dance and perform throughout their years at the school.

From the very early years, the opportunities for your daughter to express her creativity are boundless. Primary Arts events are a kaleidoscope of colour, song

and movement, combining all aspects of the Arts, including the chance to perform and build early confidence in front of an audience.

The extracurricular music program offers participation in traditional music ensembles and choirs, as well as contemporary rock bands. A series of concerts and recitals throughout the year helps set practice parameters, encouraging discipline and meaningful progress, as well as providing opportunities for the girls to showcase their talents to appreciative family and community members.

Each year, one of our signature events – Classics in the Cathedral – draws hundreds to the city landmark, St John's Cathedral, while touring opportunities have taken various choirs and orchestras around Australia and also to Europe to perform and compete on the world stage. The school is renowned for its auditioned ensemble choir – Éncorah – which regularly captivates audiences with its remarkable tonal warmth, expressive power and polished performances.

The school musical is held biannually and places in these professional productions are highly coveted. The musical alternates with another 'must see'

arts calendar event – the Mayo Festival – which invites prominent artists to exhibit at the school, as well as showcasing our talented Art students' work to the wider community.

The Flyers Program for outstanding visual and performing artists recognises the additional hours that are required to excel in one's craft, while also achieving academic goals.

Whether pursuing Arts as a formal study option, or participating in the many extracurricular opportunities available, the Arts provides unique experiences, develops passion unlike any other source, and enhances critical and creative thinking.



St Margaret's is passionate about its sports programs, understanding all the wonderful benefits participation can provide. From building strength, coordination and confidence, to team building, competing with grace, and learning to lead, sport will help develop countless qualities your daughter will call upon many times in her life.

With 18 sports on offer in the secondary school, including rowing, netball, gymnastics, volleyball, hockey, soccer, touch football, badminton, softball and tennis, most girls find at least one or several sports they can enjoy.

St Margaret's participates in a number of interschool competitions, providing plenty of opportunities for healthy and robust sporting contests. These include Andrews Cup (Primary School), the Queensland Girls' Secondary Schools Sporting Association (QGSSSA) and the Brisbane Schoolgirls Rowing Association (BSRA). While smaller in size to some other schools in these competitions, St Margaret's is known for its sporting prowess and often finds itself on the podium.

Beyond the joy of participation and the thrill of competition, St Margaret's has nurtured the early careers of many sporting success stories – from champion rowers to Olympic and Commonwealth gold medallists across multiple sports.

Under the Flyers Program for elite athletes, there are opportunities to meet with nutritionists and medical experts, as well as access state-of-the-art training facilities and specialist coaches. A student who is accepted into the program can also personalise her learning around sporting commitments, which might include independent study options, test rescheduling or assignment extensions, allowing her to follow her sporting dream while completing her education.

The opportunity to play sport at any level is an important part of the well-rounded education your daughter will receive at St Margaret's.

DISCOVER

her STRENGTHS

When you have a dream you have to work hard to achieve that dream. Your dreams when you are young can be the force that keeps you going.

Evonne Goolagong-Cawley



Generations of rural, regional and remote families have chosen to send their daughter to board at St Margaret's. In fact, the first three St Margaret's students were boarders who enrolled in November 1894, in preparation for the school's opening in 1895.

Today, the 170 boarders from Years 5 to 12 who live with us each year are at the heart of our diverse community. They hail from all parts of Queensland, NSW, Northern Territory, the Pacific nations and beyond, affording

all our girls (and their families) the opportunity to connect and forge friendships with people from many different parts of the world and walks of life. The day girls embrace the boarders and open their own homes to them, while the boarders delight in reciprocating, with sleepovers in the boarding house, and holiday visits back to the farm or across the ocean.

At St Margaret's, our boarders are housed in the heart of the Ascot campus – a safe and tranquil environment surrounded by tree-lined streets, well-kept gardens and residences, and views that extend across the river and cityscape to the distant ranges.

Specialist boarding staff guide, nurture and encourage our girls through their education and provide unwavering support as they grow and mature into young women.

It's comforting to know that our Health Centre is staffed by registered nurses and forms part of the boarding house, while our experienced catering staff provide well-balanced and varied menus, preparing over 1000 restaurant quality meals every day. There is also a kitchen just for the boarders where they can try their hand at baking or cooking a favourite meal from home for their friends.

Supervised study with qualified teachers provides boarders with a high level of academic support, while a dedicated activities coordinator devises a schedule of engaging, age appropriate activities for the girls, which offer both enjoyment and opportunities for personal growth.

Living and learning in Brisbane – a sophisticated, new world city – offers a thriving, cultural and events scene, with exclusive shows, major sporting events and important international exhibits. As the home to many universities of choice, boarding in Brisbane allows the girls to lay important foundations in preparation for tertiary study, including the confidence to navigate the city, and friends with whom to continue the journey.

The St Margaret's boarding experience brings with it enduring connections, as the girls live, learn and grow together, in their home away from home.

DISCOVER *her* HOME away from HOME



DISCOVER

her FAITH

The Christian message of love through example, compassion, hope and charity is a core value of St Margaret's. For over 120 years, the Sisters of the Society of the Sacred Advent, the founders of St Margaret's, have dedicated themselves to God, to service, and to the education of young women. It is this foundation of faith and learning from which the school draws its deep sense of community and spirit.

The school follows the teachings of the Anglican Church and the mission of the Sisters. Our students are encouraged to apply their faith to their everyday lives and to question, enquire and learn through the school's religious and values education subject, which is a core part of the curriculum.


St Margaret's is a living faith community, ministering to our students, their extended families and the wider local area. The school is proud to play a significant role in the religious lives of its students, with many Old Girls returning to the heritage chapels for weddings, christenings and confirmations.

The legacy of the Sisters, remarkable women who have focused their work on improving the lives of women and children, provides a wonderful touchstone for the girls on their faith journey.

*So we pray for grace
and courage when we
need to take a stand.
We will live as Jesus'
people in this school
and in this land.*

St Margaret of Antioch hymn





*Never doubt that
a small group
of thoughtful,
committed citizens
can change the world;
indeed, it's the only
thing that ever has.*

Margaret Mead

DISCOVER *her* HUMANITY

Teaching and modelling the importance of kindness and service inspires a desire to make a difference in the lives of those who need our help. St Margaret's girls are encouraged to think globally and act locally through our social responsibility program, which challenges them to confront the realities of the world around them, encourages compassion for all living creatures, and inspires them to be agents of change.

The school has a long history of encouraging philanthropy, through both practical service and fundraising. In Year 7, students are given their own community service passport, where they register their hours of hands-on service during their time at the school.


Each semester, the student-led Philanthropy Group choose a charity to donate to and the student body is galvanised into action, through bake sales, sausage sizzles, and a great many other colourful, entrepreneurial activities.

The St Margaret's Toc H Action Group takes part in a host of volunteer projects and activities, from Easter egg drives for the children in hospital through to connecting with the elderly or underprivileged families.

The primary and secondary Oaktree Clubs also lead a number of social responsibility initiatives – providing many avenues for personal growth, leadership and life education.

Through all their service activities, the girls ensure their gaze is not only local but also global, each year contributing to a number of international causes. This has included raising money for and assembling hundreds of birthing kits, so mothers in developing countries can give birth in a cleaner, and therefore safer, environment. This work, and the realisation of lives lived so differently, has a profound effect on our young women.

Your daughter will be moved to action, and will discover she can make a difference.



The art of teaching is the art of assisting discovery.
Mark Van Doren

A St Margaret's education embraces the whole child. Alongside the academic curriculum are wide ranging activities designed to cultivate your daughter's curiosity, pique her interest, and inspire her creativity.

Is it the intricacies of chess... the challenge of debate... the beauty of the stars?

Does the complexity of language excite her... the magic of numbers... or the mysteries of science?

By sharing their own passions and interests, our dedicated teaching staff create diverse learning opportunities where curiosity and imagination thrive and intellect is stimulated.

A lifelong passion or career path can often be traced back to such early explorations and the inspiration of an educator.

Light the flame and discover a burning passion at St Margaret's.

DISCOVER

her INSPIRATION

*It is only in adventure that
some people succeed in knowing
themselves - in finding themselves.*

André Gide

Bring out the daring in your daughter at St Margaret's with an education that will encourage her to welcome challenge, to be bold and courageous, to test the boundaries, to be a seeker of knowledge, adventure and solutions... and to make an impact.

From the spontaneity and physicality of play, and the adventures of the outdoor education program, through to opportunities to experience new cultures and countries, your daughter will be nurtured in an environment that allows her to confidently step outside the comfort of the known, to explore the uncharted, expand her world view and to feel unlimited in her capacity to steer her own course through life.

Whether it's standing up to give a speech in class, debating a fierce opponent, or singing and dancing in the house choral competition, these small personal challenges can lead to large opportunities for growth.

Tackling heights and conquering fears in the great outdoors build confidence, replacing timid with intrepid when the next hurdle requires a leap of faith in oneself.

The world awaits a St Margaret's girl and, here, global citizenship begins at home. With a significant boarding school community and renowned exchange program, your daughter will meet young women from rural, remote and regional areas in Australia and from around the world. St Margaret's will open her eyes to the world stage and opportunities to take to that stage are never far away.

The exchange program operates to nine different countries and more than 25 per cent of Year 10 students take up this life-changing opportunity of an overseas exchange for one term.

There are many other chances for overseas travel through language and music tours and Antipodeans expeditions; and for the intellectually adventurous, our participation in the Oxbridge Summer Study Program allows girls to be housed and educated in great and historic centres of learning while exploring new cultural surroundings.

You daughter will learn to have the courage to have faith in herself.

DISCOVER

her COURAGE

DISCOVER *her* FUTURE

Doctor, lawyer, musician, engineer, scientist, volunteer, architect, business owner, academic, artist, athlete... you will find a Margaret's Old Girl forging a successful career across all professional, entrepreneurial and creative endeavours.

Our strong academic record gives our girls many tertiary options, while vocational education and training opens up a wide variety of study opportunities and career paths. No matter what course they chart, St Margaret's strives to equip all students with the capacity, compassion and confidence to contribute meaningfully on a local and global scale.

We count many of our Old Girls among the leaders, innovators and decision makers in their areas of expertise. They remain connected to the school and passionate about the opportunities St Margaret's has afforded them, and often return to mentor students, offering them real world insight into careers and pathways to success.

Networking opportunities can leverage our Old Girls market place connections and professional acumen, distilling invaluable advice to girls seeking a start in that particular field.

Current students meeting and learning from successful past students who once walked the same corridors and dreamt the same dreams, inspires them to believe they can walk in their footsteps, or even stand on their shoulders.

The enduring foundations of a St Margaret's education will give your daughter wings to fly.



Per Volar Sunata - Born to Fly Upwards.
School motto

St Margaret's smaller size is one of its greatest strengths.

In this environment, every child is known, and every child has access to opportunities which allow her to shine in her own way. There is no mould into which your daughter is required to fit. Instead, St Margaret's offers her a chance to feel safe, allowing her to find her own direction, develop at her own pace, and, with it, the confidence to find her own voice and speak her truth.

At the same time she is developing her sense of self, your daughter will also know what it means to be part of something bigger than herself, and how to work with others, learning there is strength in unity as well as individuality and diversity.

Your daughter will discover a sense of place at St Margaret's – a place where she feels she belongs, and a community to which she will forever belong.

The connections made at St Margaret's can last a lifetime. Whether it be precious friendships that never fade, or the knowledge you are a part of the expansive community that spreads across the world, the bond is unbroken and stays with our girls as they forge their own paths as capable, compassionate, confident women in a global society.

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herself

DISCOVER
her VOICE





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From the Principal



Welcome to St Margaret's and thank you for considering our school for your daughter.

For 121 years St Margaret's has been a leader in providing quality education for young women and girls. At the heart of our school you will find the values and wisdom of our founders, the Sisters of the Society of the Sacred Advent, who established St Margaret's in 1895. The Sisters undertook to empower young women and prepare them not only for tertiary admission, but most importantly to live a life imbued with good and generous character. These threads of our founders have been woven into the tapestry of the school throughout its history.

St Margaret's combines a steadfast affection for this wonderful tradition and its legacy with a commitment to future-focused innovation across all teaching and learning areas and life-long scholarship.

Today our mission is to prepare capable, compassionate, confident young women, who are able to contribute significantly to a global society.

When your daughter attends St Margaret's she will experience a broad, balanced and flexible curriculum in state of the art facilities, within a warm and nurturing environment.

The School has a strong academic record, providing extensive and personalised support, including a tailored program for high achieving scholars, athletes and performers, called The Flyer Program. All students are inspired to participate in life beyond the classroom through our comprehensive sport, music and arts programs.

St Margaret's has a proud boarding history. Generations of women from across Queensland and the world have walked through the doors of our boarding house and into the care of our committed and specialist boarding staff. St Margaret's boarders are integral to our school community and bring diversity, energy and another level of experience to all our girls.

The active and friendly parent body along with experienced and dedicated staff contribute to St Margaret's warm and welcoming community.

We would love to show you our school. Please contact our Admissions team on 3862 0777 to arrange a personal tour on any working day, or if you have any questions. We hold an Open Day and Open Morning each year and I encourage you to also join us on those occasions.

I commend our school to you and invite you to 'Discover the Difference' a St Margaret's education could make to your daughter.

We look forward to seeing you.

Ros Curtis

Principal

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ASDA, FACE, FACEL, FAIM, GAICD*



SECONDARY SCHOOL (YEARS 7 - 12)

Academic Courses

In keeping with our philosophy of personalised learning, St Margaret's offers a broad, balanced and flexible curriculum, designed to provide an optimal learning environment for each student.

Part of the St Margaret's difference is that we are focused on teaching our girls HOW to learn, with specialised programs based on effective learning techniques and critical and creative thinking skills. This leads to a deeper understanding of subject matter, which students can apply across their academic subjects and then transfer to alternative contexts.

Students in Years 7 to 9 are offered a wide range of subjects, providing a breadth of experience in all disciplines. In Years 10 to 12 students are able to specialise in areas of interest with a view to tertiary study and post-secondary interests.

St Margaret's is a multi-pathway school. As well as our rigorous academic program, we offer students the opportunity to include Vocational Education and Training (VET) programs in their study. This means that each individual can engage in the program which best meets her needs. The school works extensively with Queensland TAFE Colleges and registered training organisations such as Careers Australia to ensure that we provide a range of opportunities, including school-based traineeships, Certificate III and Diploma level qualifications.

Curriculum Program

Years 7 and 8

Students study a broad core curriculum of English, Mathematics, The Arts, Science, Humanities, Health and Physical Education, Modern Languages, and Religious and Values Education.

In Year 7 the girls also study Science of Learning, which is designed to facilitate effective learning by focusing on the promotion of a growth learning mindset and productive academic behaviours.

Year 8 students are engaged in Higher Order Thinking Skills (HOT Skills), which aims to develop creative and critical thinking skills. The development of such skills is strongly connected with academic success across a broad range of disciplines.

Years 9 and 10

Students are able to undertake specialised subjects, but are still required to study the core curriculum subjects English, Mathematics, Science, History, Health and Physical Education, and Religious and Values Education.

Year 9 students select four elective subjects, each studied for a semester. The exceptions are Modern Languages, which are studied for a year.

Year 10 electives are chosen for either a year. Students can participate in the School's Global Exchange Program, which allows them to spend a term at a participating school in one of nine countries.

Electives offered include: Business, Drama, English Extension, Food and Textiles Technology, Geography, Languages, Learning Enhancement, Music, Multi Media Studies, Science Extension and Visual Art.

Years 11 and 12

Students have a core curriculum of English, Health and Physical Education, and Religious and Values Education, plus a preparation course for the Queensland Core Skills test.

Senior students must also select five other subjects from: Accounting, Ancient History, Biology, Chemistry, Drama, Economics Geography, Home Economics, Information Processing & Technology (IPT), Languages (French, German, Mandarin), Legal Studies, Mathematics A,B and C, Modern History, Music, Physics or Visual Art.

VET courses

There are further opportunities to study vocational subjects under the national Vocational Education and Training Program. Girls may choose to complete a Certificate II in Hospitality, followed by a Certificate III in Events Management across their two senior years. As well as this, there is the possibility of diplomas in areas such as Business, Project Management and Beauty. Other study options include certificates I, II, III and IV in wide-ranging subjects from fashion to aged care.



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(PRE-PREP TO YEAR 6)

Primary School

The Primary School is a community of learners which fosters relationships with parents, students and staff. Students are encouraged to be responsible, take initiative and be active participants in their educative journey.

Personal Development Program

The emotional health and wellbeing of all students, staff and families are important priorities. Through a holistic approach, we aim to develop the social and emotional competencies of individuals in addition to enhancing the various relationships of students. This is developed through our school-based program; Habits, Heart, Mind and Soul.

The key components through which the personal development program is taught include: service learning, building relationships, personal safety, (cybersafety, Daniel Morcombe) and inspiring faith. This program is supported by a curriculum program You Can Do It. This program focuses on five keys to success: resilience, confidence, getting along, persistence and organisation.

Curriculum Program

Through the Core, Cluster and Specialist Programs, students participate in a comprehensive and balanced curriculum program with ten learning areas: English, Mathematics, Humanities, Science, Health and Physical Education, Art and Music, Modern Languages, Technology, and Religious and Values Education.

Students also have the opportunity to engage in a variety of additional activities. These include year level specific curriculum programs, house meetings and activities and weekly chapel services.

Core Plus Cluster Program

In the Primary School, the Core Plus Cluster Program is a manifestation of our personalised learning philosophy. Highlighting the concept of teaching 'stage not age', this program acknowledges the different developmental progress of each student. It accepts individual differences and focuses on the development of the whole child as an intellectual, physical, spiritual, social and emotional being. It comprises two components. The Core Program is the year level program and dominates the timetable. In the Cluster Program, students can be grouped across the year level or in vertical groupings. These groupings are flexible and change regularly.

Staff

Students are supported in their learning by specialist teachers, form teachers (who are also assigned as cluster teachers for their year level), and learning enhancement staff who support students with particular learning needs.



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Extra-curricular activities

At St Margaret's we believe education is more than an academic result; it is a holistic learning experience, and art, music and sport are an important part of a well-rounded education.

Cultural, community and sporting activities promote leadership qualities, develop teamwork skills and build responsibility and resilience in a fun environment. The emphasis is on participation, fair play, personal behaviour and initiative.

St Margaret's caters for elite athletes and exceptional performers through our Flyers Program. These students are given opportunities to follow their passion, while successfully balancing all other aspects of their schooling. This may include special dispensation to attend training and events in all fields.

Our students are encouraged to develop their curiosity, find a passion and seek knowledge in all areas of life, through the many and varied extracurricular activities and clubs available at school.

Clubs and Activities

A broad range of clubs and cultural ventures, including public speaking, art workshops and theatrical events are offered including:

- Astronomy Club
- Dance
- Debating
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Primary Chess
- OptiMinds
- Mooting
- smART Club
- Theatresports

Through our Social Responsibility Program, students are encouraged to “think globally and act locally” to achieve social justice and help the wider community. Groups and activities that encompass this ethos include:

- Toc H
- Philanthropy Group
- Oaktree Foundation

All groups are community orientated and encourage the development and expression of Christian principles, while championing the rights of developing communities locally, nationally and internationally.



Sport

Both the primary and secondary schools offer comprehensive sporting programs. St Margaret's is a member of QGSSSA (Queensland Girls' Secondary Schools Sporting Association), BSRA (Brisbane Schoolgirls' Rowing Association) and Andrews Cup Associations, which allows competition in all sports.

Available sports include:

Primary Sport

- Artistic Gymnastics
- Athletics
- Cross Country
- Dance
- Netball
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Touch Football

Secondary Sport

- Artistic and Rhythmic Gymnastics
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball*
- Cricket
- Cross Country
- Football (Soccer)
- Hockey
- Life Saving
- Netball*
- Rowing
- Softball
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Touch Football*
- Volleyball
- Water Polo*

**also played at Club level*

Students who excel in their competitive sports are encouraged and supported to pursue their talent in local, state and national competitions.

Music

All students at St Margaret's are encouraged to become involved in one of the many primary or secondary music ensembles. Participating in an ensemble enhances the learning process for the student and also provides much enjoyment on a number of different levels (ie musical, social, personal etc). There are a wide variety of ensembles that cater to a very broad range of musical levels and tastes, including:

Choral Ensembles

- Junior Choir
- Senior Choir
- Chorale
- Elevarsi Voices
- Encorah

Band Ensembles

- Wind Ensemble
- Wind Symphony
- Stage Band
- Elayne Jones Percussion Ensemble
- Regale Percussion Ensemble
- Flute Ensemble
- Clarinet Ensemble
- Saxophone Ensemble
- *Highly Strung* Primary Rock Band
- Secondary Rock Band

String Ensembles

- Tutti Strings
- Amati Strings
- Stradivari Strings
- Chamber Strings
- Beath String Quartet
- Sculthorpe String Quartet
- Brophy String Quartet

Music opportunities include performing at school events and at community functions, such as the school musical, Classics in the Cathedral, Primary Spectacular, eisteddfods and festivals, and participating in domestic and international music tours.



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Boarding

'St Margaret's is not a school with a boarding house attached – it is literally and figuratively at the heart of what we do.'

St Margaret's has 121 years of experience providing boarding facilities and pastoral care for young women, as they complete their schooling away from home.

Our first three students enrolled in 1895 were boarders and, since then, St Margaret's has educated generations of women from rural, regional and remote areas across Queensland, Australia and the world.

The boarding house is located in the heart of the school grounds, nestled in the leafy suburb of Ascot, with gardens and wonderful city views. It is a busy place with a warm and friendly atmosphere, built on the values of respect, consideration and honesty.

The school welcomes boarders from Years 5 to 12, with a newly opened precinct dedicated to our youngest residents (Years 5 to 7). The majority of our housemothers are all qualified teachers, so their personalised supervision of prep-time, along with current teaching staff, provides excellent academic support for our boarders.

Our ancillary staff are also very well qualified: the on-site team of experienced chefs prepare over 1000 restaurant quality meals every day and our recently refurbished Health Centre is staffed by registered nurses.

Strong friendships are forged between day and boarding students, with many invitations exchanged for boarding house sleep overs, home visits and weekends.

Boarding at St Margaret's is all about family – yours and ours – creating a happy and safe learning environment in which your daughter will flourish and succeed.

BOARDING HOUSE INFORMATION

Our Head of Boarding, Lesa Fowler, has spent 25 years working and teaching in Australian boarding schools. She oversees the care of the 170 girls living in the boarding house, along with 10 housemothers, and is responsible for ensuring the experience at St Margaret's is rewarding and fulfilling. Also supporting the Head of Boarding is a Deputy Head of Boarding and a Coordinator of Pastoral Care.

Supervision

The role of all boarding house staff is to act as carers for 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.

Housemothers provide 24 hour supervision of the boarders, with a dedicated team sleeping over each night. They supervise study, monitor the girls' academic progress, communicate with their teachers and provide extra academic support. The housemothers are also responsible for the social, emotional, physical and spiritual wellbeing of all the girls.

Study

Boarders prep is held every evening after dinner, from Monday to Thursday. Prep is supervised by St Margaret's teachers, who provide specialised tutoring for students. Most of our housemothers are qualified teachers and work alongside the teaching staff. This personal approach contributes to the longstanding history of academic success in the boarding house.

Family involvement

At St Margaret's we always welcome family visits and understand these can happen at varying times. Parents are encouraged to share a meal with the girls in the dining room whenever they are in town.

Boarding families have always been enthusiastic members of the St Margaret's community. There are many special events, including the Boarder Parent Cocktail Party. The Boarders' Support Group was formed in 1991 and aims to promote a close relationship between boarder parents, school staff and parents of day girls.

Regular communication via email, newsletter, and phone calls keeps families connected with their daughter's achievements and progress. We also have a private Facebook group for boarding parents that allows regular, "everyday" photographs of the girls to be shared.

Activities/Health Centre

Our Activities Coordinator regularly organises a wide range of events to keep the girls entertained and happy during non-school times. These activities also help to encourage a sense of community within the boarding house and are a chance to enhance relationships across all year levels.

The activities include movie nights, dances, socials, trips to the beach, community activities, themed dinners, treasure hunts and many more.

General medical attention is provided 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 - 9:00pm, and on the weekends from 4:00pm - 8:00pm, with a nurse on call all weekend.



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

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There are many methods of transport to and from St Margaret's available for students, with train, bus and ferry from various parts of Brisbane among the popular modes of transport. The Albion train station is approximately 1km walking distance from the School, while Roma Street Transit Centre and the international and domestic airports are all 10 minutes away by car/taxi.

Travel across South-East Queensland is covered by the TransLink ticket system. You can use the same ticket for combinations of travel on bus, train and ferry services. With a TransLink ticket you are able to transfer between all services at no additional cost.

Details regarding public transport may change. Please check with the relevant authority regarding changes to schedules and timetables.

BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL SERVICES

Tickets

Daily tickets can be purchased from:

- Bus/ferry operators
- Queensland Rail staffed stations and vending machines

go card

go card is a travel card which stores up to \$200 worth of ticket value for seamless travel on TransLink bus, train and ferry services. Savings from 20-34% off full fares from your first trip and if used more than 10 times in a week (Monday to Sunday); a further 50% off ticket prices is applied.

To find out more and where to purchase a **go card** please visit www.translink.com.au

TransLink has standardised concessions across all services to those who carry valid concession cards, offering travel at half the adult fare to:

- Children 14 years and under
 - Full-time primary and secondary students are eligible for concession fares
 - Students 15 years and under; 19 years if wearing a school uniform or showing approved student identification card
- Special Passes – holders of special passes will continue to receive free travel under the current conditions.

TransLink concessions do not apply to Air Train services; however, child fares still apply.

Queensland Rail Service

QR School Travel Tickets are available for travel between primary or secondary school in which the student is enrolled full time, on school days and for official school events on weekends or public holidays. The following ticket options for rail travel are as follows:

- Annual Rail Passes (pre-purchased) 50% of the normal adult fare
- Bi-annual Rail Passes (pre-purchased) 50% of the normal adult fare
- One way Rail Passes 50% of the price of the usual Semester or Term Pass

Brisbane CityCat and Ferry Services

The Brisbane CityCat stops along the Brisbane River from The University of Queensland to Brett's Wharf. For detailed timetable information please go to www.translink.com.au. A bus transports St Margaret's students to Racecourse Road, Hamilton Central, close to the Bretts Wharf ferry before and after school.

Morning Pick Up

- Racecourse Road, Hamilton Central collection at 7:55am
- Arrive at St Margaret's at approximately 8:05am

Afternoon Drop Off

- 3:35pm - pick up from St Margaret's
- Drop the students to Racecourse Road, Hamilton Central 3:45pm

Please contact St Margaret's for further information regarding pick up times (www.stmargarets.qld.edu.au).

Timetables

Free timetables for bus, train and ferry services can be collected from:

- Council Customer Service Centres
- Queen Street Bus Station's Information Centre (Myer Centre)
- Public libraries
- Ward offices
- Many newsagencies
- Some local convenience stores
- Shopping centre information desks

Getting to St Margaret's
TRANSPORT OPTIONS



ST MARGARET'S DEDICATED BUS ROUTE

www.stmargarets.qld.edu.au/OurSchool/Pages/Location-and-Transport.aspx

St Margaret's Anglican Girls School provides a dedicated private bus service to assist families to transport children to and from school during the school term.

St Margaret's has engaged Belbaker Bus Charter, a premier coach and charter company, to provide this service. All Belbaker coaches feature air-conditioning and 3 point seatbelts (over the shoulder and across the lap). One St Margaret's branded coach and one Belbaker coach is dedicated to these routes. These buses will interchange.

The two services provide morning and afternoon runs to the following areas:

Bulimba Run Bulimba, East Brisbane, New Farm and Racecourse Road (near Bretts Wharf)

The Gap Run The Gap, Ashgrove, Bardon, Newmarket, Wilston, Windsor, Gordon Park and Wavell Heights

HORNIBROOK BUS LINES

www.hornibrook.com.au

315 City Express Stopping at Sandgate and Oriel Roads, this line services Scarborough to Brisbane CBD via Sandgate Road, Woody Point, Sandgate, Toombul, to Brisbane CBD – morning and afternoon, Monday - Friday

Dedicated 999 School Run Following the '315' the '999' runs:
North Scarborough, Redcliffe, Clontarf, Sandgate High, Nudgee College, Toombul, Sandgate/Oriel Roads. Students are to use the 'School Run 999A and 99B' where possible.

RED AND WHITE COACHES

www.coachaustralia.net

B Run	Taigum, Geebung, Chermside West and Wavell Heights
G Run	Albany Creek, McDowell, Everton Park, Stafford Heights, Stafford, Grange, Lutwyche and Woolloowin
R Run	Carseldine, Bridgeman Downs and McDowell
Y Run	Keperra, Ferny Grove, Ferny Hills, Arana Hills, Everton Hills, McDowell and Wavell Heights
O Run	Eatons Hill, Albany Creek, Bridgeman Downs, Aspley, Chermside West, Chermside and Wavell Heights
P Run	Bracken Ridge, Brighton, Sandgate, Deagon, Boondall, Virginia, Northgate and Nundah

TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE

St Margaret's	07 3862 0777
Public Transport Information	13 12 30
Rail Travel Pass enquiries	07 3235 2810
Red & White Coaches	07 3269 6466
Hornibrook Bus Lines	07 3284 1622

Please go to www.translink.com.au for further information and schedule changes to Brisbane City Council services and for a detailed journey planner to and from the School.

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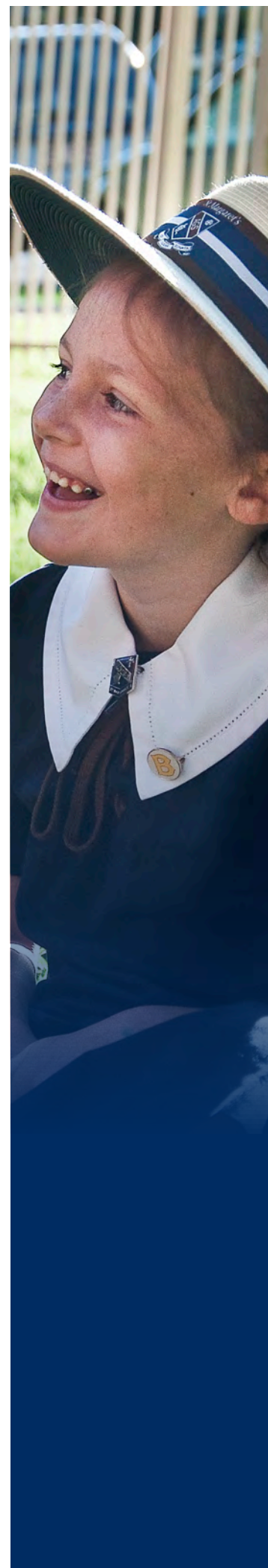
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2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 1: Tuesday 24 January - Thursday 30 March
Term 2: Wednesday 19 April - Thursday 15 June
Term 3: Tuesday 11 July - Thursday 14 September
Term 4: Tuesday 3 October - Thursday 30 November

ENROLMENT APPLICATION FEE

\$220

A non-refundable fee is payable per student at the time of submitting a formal Application for Admission.

ENROLMENT CONFIRMATION FEE

\$1,000

A non-refundable confirmation fee is payable per student at confirmation of enrolment. No refund of this fee shall be made by the school should a student fail to utilise a confirmed place. This fee is not deducted from tuition fees.

TUITION FEES

	Per Term	Per Annum	Per Annum** (after discount)
Pre-Prep	\$3,860	\$15,440	\$ 14,977
Prep - 2	\$4,248	\$16,990	\$ 16,480
Years 3-5	\$4,450	\$17,800	\$ 17,266
Year 6	\$4,721	\$18,885	\$ 18,318
Years 7-11	\$5,470	\$21,880	\$ 21,224
Year 12	\$7,293*	\$21,880	\$ 21,224

* Year 12 are billed across three terms only (Terms 1 to 3)

** Discount applies when the annual fee is paid in full by 24 January 2017

The School has an all-inclusive fee policy. The fee covers the cost of all compulsory activities including tuition, QGSSSA sport, technology, year level camps, class excursions and a range of facilities used in the course of a normal school day.

The fee does not include textbooks, stationery, specialised equipment/materials or optional activities such as co-curricular sporting camps and tours, Global Exchange, overseas tours or private music/speech and drama lessons or instrument hire, all of which are a parent's responsibility.

Please note: Year level camps are part of the school curriculum and if a student does not attend for whatever reason, there is no reduction to the Tuition Fee.

BOARDING FEES

	Per Term	Per Annum
Years 5-11	\$4,999	\$19,996
Year 12	\$6,665*	\$19,996

* Year 12 are billed across three terms only (Terms 1 to 3)

A \$55 Boarders Support Group Levy, which is applicable to boarders, is not included in fees and is invoiced separately on behalf of the Boarders Support Group. Year 12 boarding students will be charged a \$200 bond in Term 3 to cover incidentals incurred during Term 4. Any credit remaining at year end is refundable.

FEE DISCOUNTS

A discount of 3% will be applied to the tuition and boarding fee if payment has been received in full on, or prior to, 24 January 2017.

FEE CONCESSIONS

- Bursaries for daughters of Anglican clergy members
- Sibling Discounts (tuition fees only) - when two or more siblings attend St Margaret's at the same time, a concession discount of 5% for the second, 10% for the third and 15% for any subsequent siblings will apply.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Please direct any queries to the OSHC Coordinator, Palu Ingram.
Tel: 0423 547 653 Email: OSHC@stmargarets.qld.edu.au

ADDITIONAL VOLUNTARY CHARGES

- Music, tennis and swimming lessons tuition - by private arrangement between instructor and parents
- Music instrument hire - \$52.50 per Semester
- Speech and Drama - from \$425 to \$800 per Semester (depending on the year level and length of lesson contact the school for details)

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2017 Domestic Fees

PAYMENT TERMS

It is the intention of School Council to set fees once each year; however, the school reserves the right to revise fees at any time.

The school charges fees per term (Year 12 students are billed across three terms) and issues monthly fee statements. Accounts must be paid in full on or before the first day of each Term.

The school cannot provide education to students where fees remain unpaid. It is an enforced policy of the school that a student may not take her/his place at the school at the start of a term where fees for a previous term remain unpaid.

Payable Due Dates:

Term 1: 24 January 2017
Term 2: 19 April 2017
Term 3: 11 July 2017
Term 4: 3 October 2017

An agreement to pay by instalments may be entered into through School Plan. Forms are available from the Finance Department or school website. You can also visit www.schoolplan.com.au for further information, including applicable surcharges.

Optional activities will not be available to students if compulsory tuition fees are overdue. Optional activities include the Global Exchange Program, overseas tours, co-curricular sporting camps/tours, and private music or speech and drama lessons.

Parents are reminded that all fee concessions are dependent upon the fees being paid by the due date. Concessions will be withdrawn if this condition is not met. Concessions include scholarships and bursaries.

Late Payment Fee

All payments must be made by the due date. Late payments attract a monthly surcharge of \$75.

Methods of Payment

BPAY	Phone or visit the website of your bank, credit union or building society to make this payment from your cheque, savings or credit account.
Cash	Cash may be delivered to the Finance Office between 8.00am and 4.00pm. It is requested that parents make such payments rather than students assuming responsibility for large sums of cash. A receipt will be provided.
Cheque	Cheques should be made payable to; St Margaret's Anglican Girls School. If mailing cheques, please address the envelope Attention: Finance
Credit Card	The School accepts VISA, MasterCard and American Express. (In person, by telephone or online, and subject to a surcharge of 1% for all card types). Diners Card is not accepted.
Telegraphic	Where this method is used, it is requested that parents phone or fax a copy of the Transfer receipt to the School immediately. Telegraphic Transfers may be made directly to the School Bank Account; Account Name: St Margaret's Anglican Girls School Bank: National Australia Bank Branch: Capital office BSB: 084-004 Account Number: 163670842 Swift Code: NATAAU3304B

Refund Policy

A full copy of *the refund policy* can be found on the school website and is provided within the written agreement.

Notice of Withdrawal

Parents are reminded that they are required to provide **ONE FULL TERM'S WRITTEN NOTICE** to the Principal of a student's withdrawal from the school, or fees in lieu of notice will be charged.

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Application for Admission

► STUDENT INFORMATION (Please use BLOCK CAPITALS)

Student's Surname

Given Names

Preferred Name

Date of Birth

(A copy of the student's Birth Certificate must be supplied with the application)

Religion

Baptism

Yes

☐

No

☐

Holy Communion

Yes

☐

No

☐

Confirmation

Yes

☐

No

☐

Country of Birth

Nationality

Is this student of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?

No

☐

Aboriginal

☐

Torres Strait Islander

☐

Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander

☐

The student is a

Permanent Resident

☐

Temporary Resident

☐

Australian Citizen born overseas (please provide citizenship documentation)

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If the student is a Permanent Resident or Temporary Resident please provide a photocopy of his/her passport and visa along with the following details:

Passport No.

Expiry Date

Visa Class No.

Expiry Date

Language Spoken (Home)

Other Language/s

► ENROLMENT DETAILS

Calendar Year to be Enrolled

Term

Proposed Academic Year (Grade)

Day Student

☐

Boarder

☐

► EDUCATION DETAILS

Current School/Kindergarten

Year Level/s

Years of Attendance

Previous Schools

Year Level/s

Years of Attendance

Year Level/s

Years of Attendance

► PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS

Parent/Guardian 1

Resides with Student YES ☐ NO ☐

Title

Surname

Maiden name

Given names

Preferred name

Relationship to child

Residential address

Postcode

Postal Address (if different from above)

Postcode

Home Phone Business Phone

Mobile Phone Skype Address

Email

Nationality

Country of Birth

Occupation

Employer's name

Parent/Guardian 2

Resides with Student YES ☐ NO ☐

Title

Surname

Maiden name

Given names

Preferred name

Relationship to child

Residential address

Postcode

Postal Address (if different from previous)			
		Postcode	
Home Phone		Business Phone	
Mobile Phone		Skype Address	
Email			
Nationality			
Country of Birth			
Occupation			
Employer's name			

► FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES

(please complete this section if parents/legal guardians are not living together)

- Please attach a copy of a court order or parenting plan if in place
- This information is important to help avoid confusion

Parents Separated	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parents Divorced	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parent 1 Deceased	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parent 2 Deceased	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student Living with Parent 1/Legal Guardian 1	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Student Living with Parent 2/Legal guardian 2	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Student Living with Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	Please specify _____	

Who should the school communicate with regarding day to day matters?

Parent 1/Legal Guardian 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Parent 2/Legal Guardian 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
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► FAMILY AFFILIATIONS WITH ST MARGARET'S

a) Family members who have previously attended St Margaret's Anglican Girls School

i) Full Name		Maiden Name	
Relationship to Student		Year of Leaving	
Year Levels Attended		House	
ii) Full Name		Maiden Name	
Relationship to Student		Year of Leaving	
Year Levels Attended		House	

b) Siblings presently attending or registered for entry to St Margaret's Anglican Girls School

Name		Year of Entry	
Year Level		House	
Name		Year of Entry	
Year Level		House	

► PAYMENT METHOD

Upon application, a non-refundable Application Fee of \$220 is required

Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ (Payable to St Margaret's Anglican Girls School)

Credit Card MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Amex ☐

Card Number Expiry

Amount \$220

Cardholder's Name Signature

Direct Deposit/Telegraphic Transfer

Account St Margaret's Anglican Girls School
Bank National Australia Bank
Branch Capital Office
BSB 084 004
Account No 16 367 0842

► DECLARATION

We, the Parent/s or Guardian/s declare as follows:

1. We agree that the above information is accurate and true at time of application.
2. We understand that this form is an application for admission only and does not confirm a place at the school.
3. We acknowledge there is a non-refundable Application Fee to cover administrative costs.
4. We consent to the collection, use, disclosure and retention of personal information about us and the Student from time to time in accordance with the school's Privacy Policy, a copy of which can be obtained from the school's website.

Signature of Parent/Guardian 1 Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian 2 Date

► APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- ☐ Completed Application for Admission with signatures of both Parent/Guardian 1 and 2
- ☐ Payment of \$220 Application Fee
- ☐ Copy of birth certificate
- ☐ Copy of passport plus residency visa or citizenship papers if applicable
- ☐ Copy of court order or parenting plan if applicable

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