



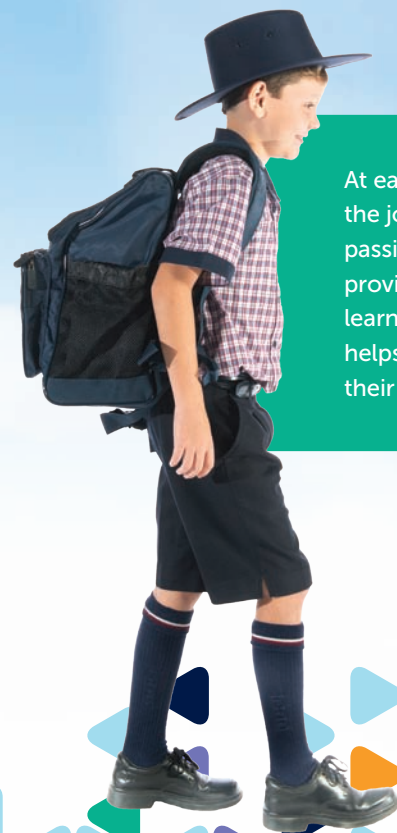
Inspiring a journey of learning **for life**







Working with parents, we help children find direction and equip them through Christian guidance, rich opportunities and a well-rounded education to travel successfully from Prep to Year 12.



At each point along the journey, we are passionate about providing an outstanding learning environment that helps all students reach their full potential.



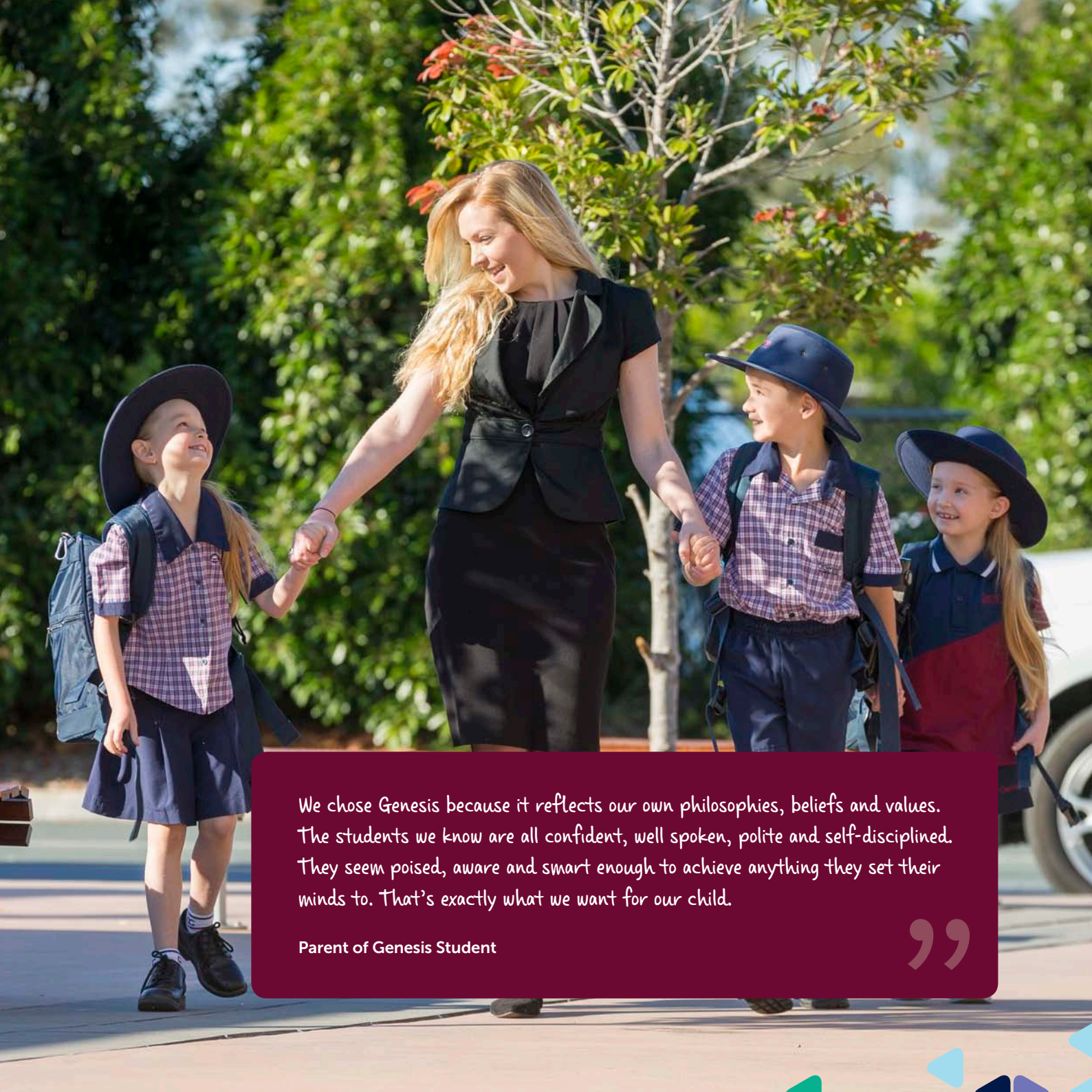
Genesis is built on strong Christian values, a nurturing culture and a commitment to true collaboration. Our community of parents, teachers and students strive to develop a lifelong love of learning while making school a rich and inspiring place to be.



Enjoy discovering more about Genesis. We'd love to talk to you about the next step in your child's journey.

At Genesis Christian College, we provide a safe **Christ-centred** environment and learning community where, together, we **nurture** and **guide** students in developing individual pathways in preparation for navigating life's **journey**.





We chose Genesis because it reflects our own philosophies, beliefs and values. The students we know are all confident, well spoken, polite and self-disciplined. They seem poised, aware and smart enough to achieve anything they set their minds to. That's exactly what we want for our child.

Parent of Genesis Student

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## ► Your first step

*Choosing your child's school is a crucial step in life's journey.*

School years prepare children for the future, shaping the adults they will become. At Genesis, we understand parents' heartfelt aspirations for their children and strive to offer a distinctive and inclusive educational experience.



### Why Genesis?

- A seamless journey, from Prep to Year 12, in a secure and positive environment with specialist teaching and facilities to meet a student's specific needs at each stage.
- A holistic education to develop 21st Century citizens through academic, cultural, sporting and pastoral care programs.
- A focus on building character through strong Christian values, morals and ethics.
- A safe and respectful environment, with students' social and emotional wellbeing at its core.
- Well-designed, spacious and impeccably maintained grounds with abundant green space and excellent facilities.
- An eSmart school creating a cultural norm of cybersafety through the smart, safe and responsible use of digital technologies.







## ► Our journey

*Genesis is an independent, non-denominational, co-educational Christian school for students from Prep to Year 12.*

Set in the beautiful Moreton Bay region and located 20 kilometres north of Brisbane's CBD, the College began with the vision of a group of committed Christians and officially opened in 1991 with 35 students (Years 1 to 7).

Starting life with two small classrooms, Genesis has gone from strength to strength. Today, we are a vibrant and progressive school community, with state of the art facilities serving the needs of a large student population.

What hasn't changed is the underlying ethos and commitment of our founders to provide exceptional and affordable education, driven by strong Christian values. This prepares each student to successfully navigate life's journey.

### Our compass

Genesis strives to be a thinking and learning community with a strong understanding of our ethical responsibility in this world.

Our school community is guided by our values:

- Developing **Christ-likeness** in life and character
- Committing to **Excellence**
- Demonstrating **Integrity**
- Exhibiting **Perseverance**
- Building **Resilience** to meet new challenges
- Learning the value of **Service**
- Instilling **Respect** for self, others and community

Our teachers take parents on the journey with them, encouraging partnership and open communication at every step. This shared understanding and united support help students believe in themselves ... and is often the key to unlocking their full potential.

Brian Barker, Principal

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# ► The path from childhood to young adulthood

*At Genesis, every stage is distinctive and tailored to the interests and abilities of students, with a seamless progression from one sub-school to the next:*

- Primary School (Prep–Year 6)
- Middle School (Years 7–9)
- Senior School (Years 10–12)

We also offer Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) for students from Prep to age 12.



Our approach allows for smooth, confident transitions and a strong sense of belonging. At the same time, each stage of the journey provides fresh milestones, rewards and opportunities to help students grow and progress at every phase.





## ► Prep Year: Setting off

*Based on the Australian and Early Years Curriculum Guidelines, our Prep program ensures the best start possible, setting the scene for a happy and valuable experience throughout a child's schooling.*



### The program:

- provides enriched, interactive activities and experiences
- recognises each child as unique
- sees children as capable and competent learners
- develops social and emotional readiness for lifelong learning
- fosters curiosity, participation and independence
- develops foundational skills in literacy and numeracy
- provides opportunities for students to participate in a wide variety of learning experiences including specialist Music, Information and Communication Technology, and Health and Physical Education lessons

I have just attended the end of year celebration for Prep this morning and had the most magnificent time ever. I think what you have done for these children is absolutely fantastic and I am so excited about my investment in my son's future with this most outstanding school. I cannot find enough words to say "thank you" and how absolutely wonderful each and everyone at Genesis Christian College is.

Parent of Genesis Prep Student







Choosing Genesis was the best decision my family has ever made and I love coming to school every day. Yes, there are high expectations but I understand why. I like the atmosphere, I'm treated like a person who counts, I get loads of opportunities, and I feel like it's all about becoming the best I can be.

Genesis Student

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## ▶ Primary School: Setting the compass

### Exploring, developing, mapping

*As students travel through our Primary School, we help them develop good habits, learn new skills, and strive for academic, social, emotional and physical excellence.*

The journey continues for each student through the Primary campus, embracing the College's Christian ethos and establishing high standards in a supportive and encouraging setting.

### The program:

- delivers a comprehensive and engaging academic curriculum which fosters critical thinking and problem solving
- is inclusive of our students, providing a differentiated classroom teaching approach, Gifted and Talented programs and Learning Support
- equips students with the essential knowledge and skills to actively and successfully participate in school and the wider community
- instils positive behaviours and habits, with an emphasis on effective organisation, getting along with others, self-confidence, perseverance and resilience





## ▶ Middle School: In transit

### Refining, designing, applying

*Catering for the distinctive needs of adolescents from Years 7 to 9, the Middle School delivers an engaging and targeted program designed to guide students through this crucial transitional phase.*



### The program:

- aims to help students adjust to sensitive and significant emotional, social and physical changes, and successfully transition through adolescence
- delivers a highly relevant curriculum, focussing on student-centred activities and exploring technologies
- fosters each student's individuality through inclusive teaching practices and a differentiated approach
- offers "The Rite Journey", a right of passage program specifically designed to prepare Year 9 students for the senior phase of learning and emerging adolescence
- provides many opportunities for peer group interaction and physical movement, emphasising collaborative decision-making to prepare them for the challenges ahead
- continues to foster the Habits of Mind, including flexibility, resilience and problem solving
- facilitates events and activities that appeal to this age group's sociable nature
- offers Gifted and Talented extension programs and Learning Support



What I love and value about Genesis is how welcoming everyone is and how much everyone helps you fit in. It's the most loving school I've ever been to. I've made some awesome friends who make school life so much fun. Coming to Genesis has been the best decision I've made in my life and I love coming to school everyday.

Genesis Student

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## ► Senior School: Planning the next chapter

*Our Senior School marks a shift to further independence, providing crucial opportunities and personal guidance to help each student plan their path into adult life.*

### The program:

- develops a Christian world view and fosters pride in being exemplary role models for the College and community
- promotes leadership traits with a strong commitment to citizenship, service and ethical behaviour
- offers a dynamic and rigorous curriculum with a wide subject scope that caters for multiple interests, including targeted vocational and training courses
- focuses on career education, including the development of Senior Education and Training Plans (SET Plans) and future career pathways
- fosters independence, models adult interaction and develops workplace related skills such as cooperative learning activities, good communication and taking initiative



My senior years at Genesis were the perfect training ground. They prepared me in so many ways for university and life in the wider community. Along with my parents, Genesis gave me the support and encouragement I needed to work out exactly what I wanted ... and then work hard to achieve it.

Genesis Alumni, QUT Bachelor Civil Engineering (Hons), Structural Engineer

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# ► Curriculum: An exciting adventure in learning

## Delivering engaging experiences

*Our curriculum has been carefully designed to provide an exceptional education that is relevant and meaningful to our students and their world.*

Based on the Australian and Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority documents, our curriculum:

- uses the *Dimensions of Learning* framework which recognises the need to develop good attitudes and perceptions, positive habits of the mind, deep understanding and the skills to engage in complex problem solving
- incorporates a wide variety of teaching, thinking and organisational strategies
- is relevant to the interests and developmental needs of 21st Century learners and beyond
- caters for individual needs within the classroom through a differentiated teaching approach, student support, and Gifted and Talented programs
- embeds and integrates Information and Communication Technologies across all subject areas, providing exciting interactive activities that enhance learning and fuel imaginations
- provides guidance for students as they prepare for tertiary education or employment



Education cannot be limited to learning the right answers and performing in exam conditions. It is about arousing curiosity, unleashing complex thinking, and preparing students to excel in the dynamic world that awaits.

Head of Teaching and Learning

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Our College goes far beyond academic achievement and sporting results. We're here to help shape strong, ethical people who are prepared to tackle life's challenges with intelligence, optimism and compassion.

Director of Student Wellbeing

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## ► Professional teachers: expert facilitators

### Creating a dynamic learning environment

*At Genesis, our teachers are energetic professionals who consider it an honour to responsibly support your family through the education journey.*

A walk through our classrooms reveals students absorbed in learning activities that are created and planned for by their highly skilled and enthusiastic teachers.

Supporting our school ethos, Genesis teachers are passionate about inspiring their students to become well-rounded, highly educated adults who can make a positive contribution to the world around them.

We work with parents to provide the best opportunities for their child and we actively encourage parent participation and collaboration along the way.

Best of all, our teachers practise what they preach, upholding the highest standards and striving for excellence through ongoing professional learning.





# ► Safe and happy travels

*For us, the social and emotional wellbeing of students is the essential starting point for success at school and in life.*

The Genesis community is passionate about providing a secure, caring and respectful environment.

With the assistance of a dedicated Pastoral Care Team, including chaplains, counsellors and committed teachers, we help students to develop Christian behaviour, make positive choices and prepare for life's challenges.

Our comprehensive approach to pastoral care includes:

- Christian Life and Student Wellbeing programs
- chapel services
- visiting speakers and organisations
- includes policies which create a positive whole school culture aimed at protecting every student's right to an inclusive, safe and supportive learning environment
- proactive strategies to counteract bullying, cyber abuse and other negative habits and behaviours



# ► A balanced itinerary

*With an emphasis on a holistic education, Genesis provides a wide range of co-curricular activities to ensure a meaningful journey.*

We help stimulate, identify, develop and showcase students' diverse talents and interests through exciting opportunities to participate, compete and present.



## Activities and programs include:

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| • bands and choirs              | • overseas missions  |
| • camps                         | • performing arts  |
| • chess                         | • prayer and charitable fundraising  |
| • clubs                         | • school sport, including: futsal, netball, soccer, basketball, volleyball, athletics, cross-country, tennis, triathlon and swimming |
| • competitions                  |  |
| • conferences                   |  |
| • days of excellence            |  |
| • debating                      |  |
| • instrumental music            | • school representation in community service, musicals and productions, and student committees                                       |
| • Japanese sister school visits |  |
| • World Team Challenge          |  |





# ► Excellent facilities and attractive surrounds

*Our well-resourced, architecturally designed campus, built to identify distinct areas for each school, promotes a sense of security, community and harmony.*

## The College offers:

- an innovative library
- purpose built specialist rooms for Music, including sound recording, Digital and Design Technologies, the Sciences, Hospitality and Home Economics, Visual and Performing Arts, and Film, TV and New Media
- agricultural farm including plant lots, livestock and bee keeping
- multi-purpose facility equipped with stage, lighting and sound desk
- air conditioned classrooms
- 220 seat performance centre
- an Aquatic Centre with solar heated pools
- three fully lit, covered multi-purpose sports courts
- expansive sports ovals and playground areas

Our school community is proud of its well presented grounds and gardens, and our students show their respect by looking after their facilities and maintaining their surroundings to a high standard.

In this way, students learn to value their local and global environments while reaping the benefits of a truly inspiring learning environment.



William Butler Yeats once said “Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire”. At Genesis, we aim to ‘light the fire’ so that our graduating students leave on life’s journey as independent young men and women with a hunger and passion for learning, and a strong sense of commitment to being shining lights in their local and global communities.

**Brian Barker**, Principal

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## ► Your next step

*Choosing a school for your child is a pivotal and personal decision. We'd love to provide further support and information as you embark on this next stage in your family's journey.*

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*“Life is a **journey**,  
not a destination...”*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

