

#### **PROSPECTUS**

### MISSION & VISION STATEMENT



#### Vision

A dynamic, joy-filled learning community, Salesian College inspires all boys to strive for excellence in the spirit of Don Bosco.

#### Mission

Salesian College Chads tone is a Catholic School for boys in the Salesian tradition. We welcome all boys and their families, celebrate diversity and promote relationships built on mutual respect. All in the community are treated as valued partners in laying the foundation for life-long learning. We celebrate the achievements of all within an environment of joy and optimism.

Salesian College Chadstone is committed to building a caring community which:

- · Ensures that a Catholic and Salesian ethos underpins all aspects of College life within an atmosphere of respect for all
- Promotes initiative, a spirit of enquiry and a desire to strive for academic excellence through innovative and supportive teaching
- Provides students and staff with every opportunity to develop all aspects of each individual
- · Practises wise governance, strategic leadership and fair processes; and
- Works in partnership with parents, families, past pupils, parishes, educational and ecclesiastical institutions and other civic
  agencies.

#### Values

- Integrity
- Respect
- Belonging
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- Dynamism

For more information please visit our website: www.salesian.vic.edu.au



"Remember that education is a matter of the heart, of which God is the sole master, and we will be unable to achieve anything unless God teaches us the art, and puts the key in our hands." St John Bosco

## THE JOURNEY

### A Salesian education is a journey that draws its inspiration from the spirituality and educational principles of our founder, St John Bosco.

A Salesian education seeks to recapture, in contemporary ways, the original spirit of Don Bosco's first "Oratory" in Turin, Northern Italy. Hence, Salesian College endeavours to be a "home" that welcomes, a "parish" that evangelises, a "school" that educates for life, and a "playground" where friends meet and enjoy themselves.

Our boys are accompanied on their journey by competent professional educators, who offer a host of academic, spiritual, social, cultural and sporting opportunities to enable our students to develop their gifts, achieve personal excellence and prepare for the future with hope and confidence.

A Salesian education provides our boys with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to become fine young men, who will be able to engage with the world as "active citizens and good Christians".











Life is a journey of faith, which we encourage our boys to live as a spiritual adventure. Don Bosco was convinced that all education is incomplete unless founded upon and sustained by faith in Jesus Christ. Hence, we offer all students opportunities to explore, develop, nurture, live and celebrate their faith.

Classroom instruction provides students with the knowledge and skills to engage in reflection upon faith, religion and spirituality.

There are regular opportunities for prayer, service and social justice. Students are encouraged to give active expression to their faith in everyday life by "doing the ordinary things extraordinary well."

Festive occasions, such as College Feast Days, are lively celebrations of our identity as a Christian Community.



- ✓ Classroom Religious Education Program
- ✓ Daily prayer
- ✓ Eucharist
- ✓ Reconciliation
- ✓ Feast days
- ✓ Social justice
- ✓ Community service
- ✓ Retreats









## WELLBEING

The Salesian journey offers students hope. We provide our boys with opportunities to grow and mature so as to face the challenges of life with confidence, resilience and courage.

"Connectedness" is an essential component of positive wellbeing. Our House System and Homeroom structure provide the basis for a strong sense of belonging, as do strong, healthy staff-student relationships. Our student management framework acknowledges positive conduct and encourages students to take responsibility for their behaviour.

Preventive programs assist in the development of life skills and specialist restorative programs enable us to support students in times of difficulty.

Salesian College actively seeks to prevent bullying and promotes positive student relationships built upon mutual respect and an appreciation of diversity.



- ✓ Student Management
  Framework
- ✓ Personal Development Program
- ✓ Anti-Bullying Policy
- ✓ Counselling
- ✓ Drug Education
- ✓ Age-Specific forums
- ✓ Relationships
- ✓ Seasons Program

- ✓ Beyond Blue
- ✓ Careers Guidance
- ✓ Resilience building
- ✓ Transition Program
- ✓ Driver Education
- ✓ Junior Horizontal

  Homeroom Structure
- Senior Vertical Homeroom Structure
- ✓ Year 10 Futures Week





#### Learning is a journey that seeks to build knowledge, develop skills and nurture attitudes that can unlock the future.

We engage students in the learning process, challenge them to take responsibility for their own learning, and encourage them to strive for personal excellence. We strive to cater for the needs of students across the entire ability range by providing opportunities for highly academically able students as well as learning support programs.

Our high academic standards are reflected in our boys' VCE results, in students' achievements in national competitions and Commonwealth Government testing programs.

We offer a comprehensive array of subjects, including an extensive selection of electives, as well as a variety of specialist programs across Years 7 – 12. Every classroom is equipped with an interactive whiteboard and multi-media equipment and boys have access to a range of specialist facilities.

- Biretta Class special program for highly academically able student.
- ✓ Enhancement studies
- ✓ Learning Support and
  Special Education
- ✓ Solid grounding in key skill areas
- Ready access to computers and other technologies
- ✓ Electives at Years 8 12

- After school Maths and English tuition
- ✓ Interactive whiteboards in all classrooms
- ✓ Structured discipline plan
- ✓ Refurbished classrooms
- ✓ LOTE study of Italian
- ✓ Middle Years Program
- ✓ Year 9 Mannix Program
- ✓ Comprehensive range of subjects





"Make yourself humble, strong and robust." St John Bosco





The Middle Years Program (Years 7 - 9) offers a comprehensive range of subjects and is designed to provide a solid foundation in each of the key learning areas.

The "key teacher" initiative assists the transition to secondary school by minimising the number of teachers per class and maximising the opportunities to develop supportive relationships between students and teachers.

The Year 9 Mannix Program challenges students to take responsibility for their own learning; to demonstrate leadership and initiative; to develop their unique talents and explore their personal interests. The program utilises the purpose built facility on the Mannix Campus, employs active learning strategies and includes a series of integrated project based units.

The Senior Curriculum offers more than 30 subjects, including VCE, VCAL and VET to cater to students' personal strengths, future needs and their areas of interest whilst providing them with a variety of pathways to university studies, vocational education and employment.

- ✓ VET subjects
- ✓ Work experience
- ✓ Careers and Vocational Counselling
- Excellent VCE study and ENTER scores
- ✓ Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL)
- ✓ Year 10 Pathways TAFE program
- University enhancement subjects

- ✓ Year 10 Futures Week
- ✓ Learning support
- ✓ Leadership opportunities
- ✓ Environmental awareness
- ✓ Fostering of independent skills
- ✓ Strong sense of community
- ✓ Innovative curriculum delivery
- ✓ Mannix Leadership Award





## CO-CURRICULAR

A Salesian education involves much more than the classroom. Our co-curricular program provides many sporting, cultural and other opportunities to promote a balanced, healthy lifestyle, self-esteem, social-emotional development and social interaction.

Sport is central to the lives of many boys. We are members of the Association of Catholic Colleges (ACC), one of Melbourne's most esteemed sporting and cultural networks. The ACC is the key route for inter-school competitive sport. We also encourage participation in the wide range of social and recreational activities on offer.

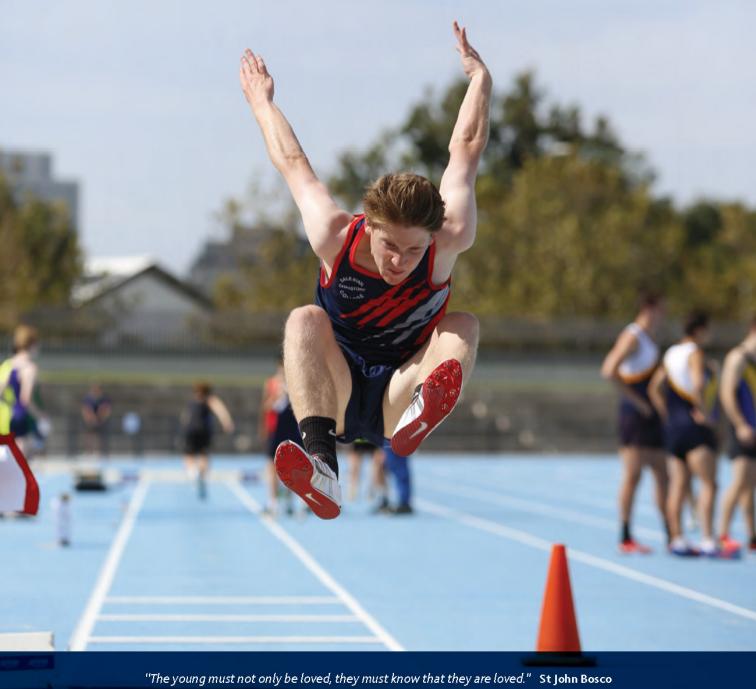
Music, drama, debating, public speaking and other cultural opportunities abound. A range of other clubs, activities and specialist programs offer opportunities for physical activity, cultural engagement and travel experiences.

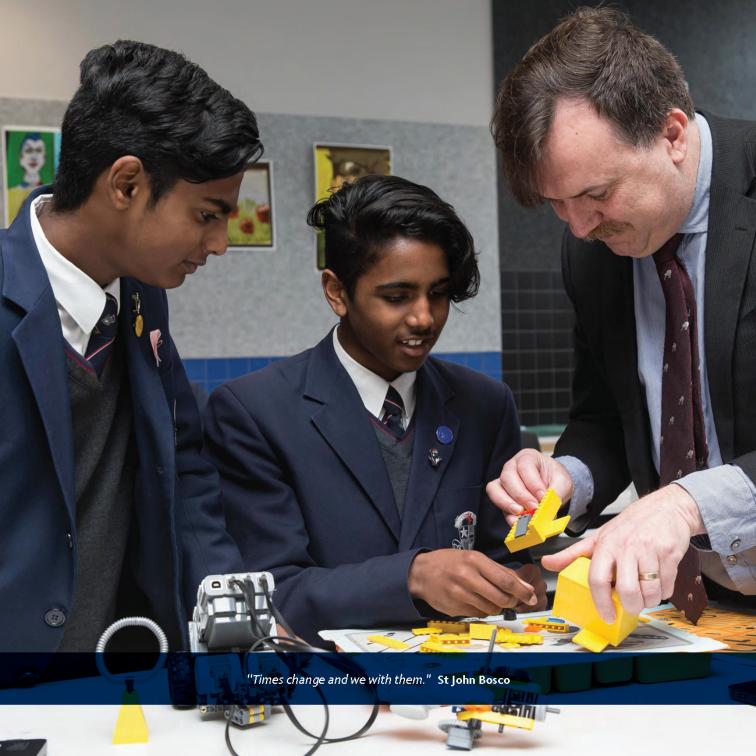


- ✓ Football
- ✓ Cross country
- ✓ Debating
- ✓ Public Speaking
- ✓ Band Program
- ✓ Chess Club
- ✓ Travel Experiences
- ✓ Swimming
- ✓ Athletics

- ✓ Badminton
- ✓ Soccer
- ✓ Snow Trip
- ✓ Tennis
- ✓ Volleyball
- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Golf
- ✓ Hockey
- ✓ Cricket
- ✓ Gym







## TECHNOLOGY

Technology is the key to the future. We, therefore, offer our boys access to technologies that enhance learning. Information and communications technologies are integrated into the curriculum across all learning areas, and a range of specialist subjects is available.

Our classrooms are technology rich: every classroom has an interactive whiteboard, access to the internet and is equipped with multi-media facilities. Our multi-million dollar state-of-the-art technology infrastructure, facilities, resources and services make technology readily accessible for students for general learning purposes. Dedicated technologies for specialist subjects are also available.

Salesian College offers a range of specialist information technology subjects and units, including game design, robotics, 3D modelling and animation. Students are also able to study VCE and VET subjects with an ICT focus.



- State-of-the-art ICT infrastructure and facilities
- ✓ Internet access in every classroom
- Email facility for all students
- 'Clickview' an online video collection
- ✓ Specialist software
- External access to curriculum documentation

- ✓ Specialist ICT subjects
- ✓ VET courses
- ✓ Web design
- ✓ 3D Animation
- ✓ Game Design
- ✓ 3D Modelling
- ✓ Robotics
- ✓ Interactive Electronic Whiteboards





Design Studies integrates the visual arts and technology studies. Boys love designing, making, drawing and constructing. We offer our boys the opportunity to explore their own creativity and to develop the skills to design and create using a wide range of mediums in a safe environment.

In the Middle Years (7-9) students explore a range of creative subjects including art, drawing, design, painting and ceramics. These lead to specialist subjects in the senior years including Media Studies, Visual Communications and Design, Studio Arts, Photography and Art.

The hands-on experience of design and technology allows middle years students to gain practice in the use of materials including wood, metal, plastics and electronics to design and construct functional items. A range of electives opens up from Year 8 onwards and leads to opportunities in the senior years that include Design and Technology, Information Technology, and Systems and Technology, web design, games design, animation construction and robotics.

- ✓ Systems Engineering
- ✓ Design and Technology
- ✓ Welding
- ✓ Wood-turning
- ✓ Metal fabrication
- ✓ Furniture construction
- ✓ Electronics
- ✓ Robotics
- ✓ Plastics moulding
- ✓ Ceramics

- ✓ Drawing
- Painting
- ✓ Print making
- ✓ Visual Communication
- ✓ Two-dimensional studies
- ✓ Three-dimensional studies
- ✓ Media
- ✓ Art.
- Photography
- ✓ VCD.
- ✓ Studio Arts







"Be honest citizens and good Christians." St John Bosco



# PERFORMING AR S

### The Performing Arts, including music and drama, are integral to a complete and comprehensive education.

All Year 7 students undertake the study of a musical instrument. In a matter of weeks they are able to perform as an ensemble for their families and friends. Combined with the basics of music theory and appreciation, the instrumental program provides the basis for a life-long love of music and performance and the opportunity to join one of the many College ensembles and bands.

Drama enables boys to explore the interaction between voice and body to give expression to the whole continuum of human experiences. Music and Drama in the Middle Years provides the basis for the deeper study of specialist subjects including Music, Theatre Studies and VET Music Industry Skills in the senior years.

In addition, there are opportunities for students to participate in choirs, liturgical music, musicals, drama productions, and sound and light training.



- ✓ Instrumental music tuition for all Year 7 students
- ✓ Classroom music
- ✓ Classroom drama
- ✓ Theatre Studies
- ✓ VET Music Industry Skills
- ✓ Student bands and ensembles
- ✓ Choir
- ✓ College musical
- Music Camp



### **ENROLMENT TRANSITION**

Prospective parents and students are encouraged to visit the College and speak to staff about their educational needs.

The College website www.salesianchad.vic.edu.au has information regarding:

- ✓ College Tours
- Open Evenings
- ✓ Enrolment Guidelines
- ✓ Enrolment Procedures
- ✓ Fees
- ✓ Uniform requirements
- ✓ Transport
- ✓ Year 7 Transition Program
- ✓ Student Wellbeing and Pastoral Care

Applications for Year 7 close in the February preceding the student's entry into Year 7 level. Applications for Years 8 – 12 are accepted at any time and places are allocated according to availability.

A comprehensive "Transition Program" welcomes incoming Year 7 students and enables them to become familiar with our school. Boys are assisted to make friends and readily engage in College life.

#### Transition Process:

- ✓ Tours and Open Days/Nights
- ✓ Family Enrolment Interview
- ✓ Primary School Visits
- ✓ Pre-entry Testing
- ✓ Family Orientation Evening
- ✓ Year 10/11 Buddies
- ✓ First Day Program
- ✓ Year 7 Orientation Camp







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