



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the benefits of John Colet School?

1. The curriculum is designed for children who like to learn and is rigorous in the core academic subjects.
2. Our cultural program is rich and based on the finest and greatest examples such as Shakespeare ; the choral singing program has a diverse repertoire, drawn from classical and contemporary composers, the art program draws on different cultures including Indigenous.
3. There are specialist teachers for all of these areas and for sport, Sanskrit, Latin and Drama.
4. Personal development, including mindfulness and self-awareness techniques, are practiced by the children and all staff every day. Meditation is offered to students from 10 years old.
5. John Colet School is multi-faith and draws on a range of cultural and religious traditions. Our Assembly Book is used in the weekly assembly and is an example of our multi-faith approach.

What are your average class sizes?

Our class sizes are around 20 to 25 students. Our classes are sometimes slightly smaller and sometimes slightly larger.

What can you tell me about the teaching staff?

1. Our teachers are inspired and passionate about education which is vital in these primary foundation years of schooling and character building.
2. The general principle is that the class will have one teacher from K-2 and another teacher for the remaining primary years 3-6.
3. This builds a warm relationship and also means the teachers get to know the individual children's learning styles.

What do you provide for Gifted and Talented children?

Gifted children are very happy here. Our enrolment is comprehensive and our standard curriculum is enriched. There is opportunity for differentiation within the classroom and extension classes on a needs basis.

Do you have Special Needs Provision?

We accept students with special needs. However, we need to be assured that we can properly meet the child's physical, emotional and /or academic needs. Reports are required and meetings with the Headmaster and Special Needs Co-ordinator.

Where do your students go for High Schools?

This varies depending on the child and family. We have received excellent feedback from Year 7 co-ordinators, parents and children, that the children have been well prepared. We have graduates in Selective Schools, Independent and in Catholic Schools.

What Technology do your students use?

The students use our interactive Smartboards offering state of the art learning. Our students do not have computers in their classrooms, however some component of their homework is done using computers at home, such as preparing PowerPoint presentations and computerised assignments.

Are there places available at John Colet?

For enquiries about availability of places, please speak to our Registrar. Email:

registrar@johncolet.nsw.edu.au or phone the school on 9451 8395

There are opportunities for children to enrol who like and enjoy learning. We like the match to be right. We recommend that students entering from other schools come for trial days at John Colet. To arrange a trial day/s please speak to the Registrar.

What extra-curricular activities are available?

A wide variety of extra-curricular activities are available such as chess, musical instrument, modern languages and fencing. Sailing is an option for children in year 4-6 under the auspices of Balmoral Sailing Club and takes place on Saturday mornings in summer.

How do your students travel to school?

Forest Coachlines services our area. Their website is www.forestcoachlines.com.au

Then click on School Services. Many families also arrange carpooling to travel to and from school.