# Discover the difference



Love Learning

NORTHERN BEACHES CHRISTIAN SCHOOL | K-6



## Space to breathe

Situated amongst residential acreages in leafy Terrey Hills on Sydney's Northern Beaches and adjacent Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park, NBCS students make the most of the natural, bushland environment. An inspirational playground and outdoor spaces are designed to enrich play, engage imaginations and encourage outdoor exploration.

## **Transport options**

Our School is an easy 15-minute drive from Warriewood, Mona Vale, Allambie Heights, Belrose and Frenchs Forest on the Northern Beaches, and only 15 minutes from the Upper North Shore suburbs of St Ives, Pymble, Turramurra and Gordon. Most families take advantage of the direct public and private bus transportation available from these and other surrounding suburbs.

## World-class campus

Our beautiful world-class facilities - including purpose-built learning spaces, stateof-the-art learning technology and lush gardens - are at the heart of an awardwinning campus with exceptional playground facilities, all designed to inspire learning and social connection.

## Every child is known, valued and loved

Our caring, Christian staff and wellbeing professionals are intentional about nurturing each student. In creating a culture with a strong sense of belonging, we consistently see children become excited to engage with school, learning and friendships.

## **Explicit teaching and learning**

Our vision, Love Learning, leads us to continually look for ways to improve our teaching and learning environment to ensure the explicit teaching, assessment and feedback we deliver helps our students meet their targeted learning goals.

# **Evidence-based, effective teaching**

We are intentional about using educational research that increases the achievements and growth of each student. Our highly credentialled teachers undertake regular professional development and are passionate about their craft, working within a closeknit, collaborative team with a shared understanding of best practice teaching.

## A seamless school journey from Kindergarten to Year 12

Familiar surroundings make the transition to Secondary an exciting adventure for our Primary students. When your child is confident about who they are, where they belong and where they are headed, it instils a passion for learning and opens up a world of possibilities. Our integrated K-12 campus enables our students to build continuing friendships from Primary to Secondary, as well as positive relationships with older students.





## A Christian education

As a Christian school, NBCS is shaped by the Christian values of Gratitude, Respect, Courage, Compassion and Commitment, which help our community flourish. As a diverse community with differing backgrounds and beliefs, we recognise and respect that every child, parent and staff member is on a faith journey. We believe the Christian faith has much to offer in our search for meaning and provides students with an important sense of belonging, worth and purpose.

## Wellbeing at the heart

Our comprehensive student wellbeing program is founded on the belief that every student has God-given potential and worth. Time is allocated each day to teaching the explicit social skills and emotional learning that foster wellbeing and positive behaviour. We use the "URSTRONG" Friendology program to equip students to become better friends and build healthier relationships. We believe that challenges and obstacles are a natural part of life, so we guide our students through difficult times by helping them to face their fears and overcome adversity. Our aim is to instil confidence and strength in our students so they can navigate tough situations and emerge stronger.

## A genuine partnership with parents

NBCS teachers collaborate with families to understand and support each child to achieve social and emotional maturity. They also ensure students are getting the care and support they need to stay connected and engaged in learning. Parents join their year group parent community and are invited to participate in our community celebrations and sporting events.

# **NBCS PRIMARY | K-6**

# **Our Vision** Love Learning

Young people who have the tools, skills and flexibility of lifelong learners are ready to face the future, no matter what it brings. NBCS students are encouraged to make connections, think together and question their world, while developing firm foundations for a life of growth and discovery, resilience and resourcefulness, curiosity and confidence: a life where they love learning.

# **Our Mission** Excellence in Education, Christianity in Action

Academic excellence looks different for every student. We aim to inspire individual learning journeys that are shaped by curiosity and a love of discovery, inspired by excellent teaching, and powered by motivated enthusiasm and consistent effort. We seek to bring out the best in every student, to keep their future as big as possible. Christian values embedded through all of school life give students opportunities to engage in service to the school and community. We are intentional about growing young people who will make a positive impact in the wider world.

## **Our Values**





Respect

Courage





## **Specialist teachers**

Our specialist teachers for Sport, French, Music and Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) foster imagination, creativity and passion, and bring a wealth of knowledge as they teach weekly across K-6. With their guidance and expertise, students prepare high quality work for showcases, recitals, celebrations and community events.

#### Instrumental program

State-of-the-art facilities, expert music tutors and an instrumental program foster creativity and an appreciation of music. All students from Years 1 to 4 participate in the Primary Instrumental Program, beginning with weekly small group lessons and fortnightly ensembles for violin or cello in Stage 1, expanding to brass and woodwind in Stage 2. Students are encouraged to participate in group ensembles to gain performance experience and represent the school through choirs, bands, and ensembles for guitar and percussion. Selected students may also join senior ensembles.

## Sport

From Kindergarten, students engage in sport classes that develop essential gross motor and teamwork skills, as well as general health and fitness. Students in Years 3 to 6 participate in a weekly school sports program catering for varying abilities and interests, with seasonal sport choices. Students can trial for representative teams to compete in the Peninsula Independent Sport Association competitions.

## French language program

Our language journey begins in Kindergarten as students learn French and engage with the linguistic and cultural diversity of French speaking communities. Our program fosters a love for languages and builds intercultural understanding, as well as enhancing cognitive abilities, such as memory, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills.

## Learning enrichment and support

We are committed to providing an engaging and appropriately challenging education for every student. Students have opportunities to excel through whole-grade or subject acceleration, rich extension projects, and academic competitions. The specialist Learning Enrichment team works with teachers to assess, identify and meet student needs for enrichment or support.

## **Co-curricular activities and lunchtime clubs**

Students can explore and cultivate their interests beyond the classroom, finding what sparks their passion through co-curricular activities and lunchtime clubs. Here, students develop their creativity, passion, personal skills, leadership and teamwork. There are a large range of sports activities and creative and performing arts options, along with music ensembles, robotics and STEM clubs.

## Before and after school care

Our on-site before and after school care program is delivered by quality independent provider TheirCare, who provides a play-based program that develops life skills, friendships, confidence and creativity. Hours are from 6.30-8.30am each morning and 3-6pm each afternoon.



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## The right fit for your child, the right fit for your family

Choosing the right primary school means finding the optimum environment in which your child will learn, grow and thrive.

If you are inspired by our love for learning and would like your child to experience the many opportunities on offer at NBCS, we invite you to take a tour of our campus and enrol your child.

## **Book a tour:**



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