



*Explore, transform and create
your story at St John's College.*

Year 7 Enrolment Information



1 January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am extremely pleased that you are considering enrolling your child at St John's College.

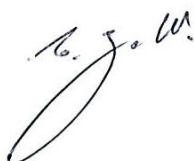
St John's College is an outstanding co-educational Catholic secondary college administered by Brisbane Catholic Education. St John's has a current enrolment of approximately 800 students and is staffed by professional, experienced, passionate and dedicated teachers. St John's has been operational for seventy seven years as a Catholic secondary school in Nambour and has a fine tradition of scholastic, cultural, sporting and extra- curricular success.

St John's offers our students a contemporary, co-educational secondary education with an emphasis on Catholic Christian values.

St John's College provides a Catholic secondary education:

- in a pastorally caring and disciplined environment
- where students consistently achieve excellent academic results (average 80-90% OP 1-15)
- where students achieve above state and national averages for NAPLAN
- which facilitates a solid foundation for University and Vocational pathways
- fostering student leadership
- that nurtures positive, long lasting partnerships and relationships
- cultivating students' stewardship and environmental awareness
- with a proud tradition of excellence in cultural pursuits, the arts and sporting competition
- with excellent facilities including a new Centre for Art and Drama, two hospitality training kitchens, a Design Technology Centre, Information & Communication Technology facilities, and a Multi-Purpose Centre and 1:1 Laptop Program for Years 7 to 12
- supporting and encouraging students to be successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens.

Our St John's College community looks forward to meeting your child's educational and spiritual needs.



Mr Christopher Gold
Principal

Motto, Vision & Mission Statements & Values

College Motto: "Unbind and Set Free"

John 11:44

Vision

St John's College is a Catholic learning community established by the Good Samaritan Sisters in the Benedictine Tradition.

In a spirit of faith, hope and love, we strive to develop confident, reflective and compassionate young people who are committed to transforming our world through example, service and leadership.

Mission

St John's College, in collaboration with parents and carers:

- provides a Christian based education in the Catholic tradition and develops a community of faith and learning that is open and inclusive of other faith and cultural traditions.
- is committed to a holistic curriculum which promotes the integration of faith, life and culture.
- endeavours to provide a quality education that is equitable and strives to engender the creativity, initiative and ability of each student.
- aims to stimulate a culture of learning that is life-giving and life-long.
- is willing to engage with social justice, moral, environmental and political issues with a special concern for those on the margins of society.
- cultivates right relationships through the hospitality of heart and place.

Values Statement

Amongst the values especially esteemed are: peace, service, stewardship, dignity, respect, tolerance, compassion, justice, honesty, openness, accountability, trust, forgiveness and reconciliation.

St John's College acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land, the Gubi Gubi people, and pay our respects to the elders both past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Indigenous Australia. We must always remember this land is, was and always will be traditional Indigenous land.

Unbind and Set Free

John 11:44

College History

St John's College was originally established by the Good Samaritan Sisters as a secondary school on February 4 1940. Originally known as St Joseph's, Nambour, it was situated at the convent of the Good Samaritan Sisters. The school was relocated to the Perwillowen Road site in 1979. The College was renamed St John's in 1985 after St John the Evangelist. The adoption of the college motto: *Unbind and Set Free* comes from the story of the raising of Lazarus found in St John's Gospel.

During the past few years there has been considerable improvement to our facilities including upgrades to the library, music rooms, dance room and older classrooms. The Polding Block has been extended to include five new classrooms, two new art rooms and two new drama rooms. We have also strengthened our I.T. network to accommodate Year 7 to secondary.

There is always a strong emphasis on the continued development of Information Technology and the 1:1 laptop program with ongoing improvements to our already extensive network of cables and wireless distribution panels. All students and staff have access to personal e-mail, the World Wide Web and a modern school portal.

Life at the College continues to be encouraged as a celebration of achievement and service.

From such humble and temporary beginnings, St John's has established itself as a significant Sunshine Coast educational institution.



Welcome to Secondary School Year 7, 2020

We are delighted that you are considering being a member of our community in 2020. As Year 7 students, you will engage in the extensive curriculum offered here at St John's College.

You will study six core subjects for the entire year and two elective subjects for rotations of one term each. You will also experience elective subjects from the arts, the humanities, and technologies.

Core subjects

- Religious Education
- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Humanities (Geography, History and Civics)
- Physical Education

Elective Subjects

- Drama
- Visual Art
- Music
- Digital Technologies
- Design and Technologies – Engineering Principles & Systems – Graphics
- Design and Technologies – Materials and Technologies - Wood
- Design and Technologies - Food Specialisation
- Languages

Pastoral Care

Morning roll call and Pastoral Care will see you, as a Year 7 student, paired with a Year 9 student and a Year 11 student who will be your "Buddies" throughout the year.

You will then remain with your Pastoral Care teacher and with your same PC group until you graduate Year 12 in 2025.

Teachers and Classrooms

- You will be taught by a variety of teachers who are specialists in their subject area.
- You will have the opportunity to move throughout the campus as you access specialist facilities.



Specific Events for Year 7 Students Only

- Welcome BBQ in Term 1
- Reflection Days
- Buddy Afternoons (Years 7, 9 and 11)
- End of Year Activities

Expression of Interest

If you are interested in becoming part of our community for Year 7 2020, contact the college and leave your email address. We will then email you further information and important dates.

Important Dates

- Year 7 2020 Parent Information Evening is Tuesday 26 February 2019 at 7pm
- Year 7 2020 interviews take place from Monday 11 March to Friday 22 March 2019
- Enrolment packs will be distributed to St Joseph's and Stella Maris in early February 2019
- Enrolment packs will be available early in 2019

[Extract from St John's College Enrolment Information](#)

Thank you for considering St John's College, Nambour, for your child's secondary education.

Please open the link to Catholic Education Council Policy Statement: [Click Here](#)

[Enrolment Policy](#)

[Brisbane Catholic Education Policy](#)

When enrolling students, BCE schools give priority to those who are baptised Catholic or, if enrolling in an ecumenical school, baptised in the faith of sponsoring churches. Schools may also enrol students from other faith traditions whose families demonstrate that they share the expressed values of the school and who are willing to support and contribute to the school's vision and ethos.

[St John's Policy](#)

At St John's College, we will provide quality education in an environment that nurtures children in their Catholic faith. St John's aims to accept every Catholic child.

The College recognises that it has an obligation to respect all religious beliefs. Parents and students of other faiths must support the Catholic ethos of the school.

The following Brisbane Catholic Education policies, regulations and guidelines are followed at a school level and can be viewed on the Brisbane Catholic Education website: www.bne.catholic.edu.au

- Students with Disabilities Policy
- Enrolment Application Support Procedures for Students requiring Significant Educational Adjustments
- Financial Accessibility Policy
- Students who are at the Margins of Society and/or Out of Home Policy

[Guidelines](#)

The process of enrolment is to be guided by principles of justice and equity. Consideration for enrolment of students will be based on a combination of the following:

- Catholic baptism – Preference to feeder schools St Joseph's Nambour and Stella Maris Maroochydhore
- Catholic families
- acceptance of the ethos and mission of a Catholic school
- family and sibling involvement at the school
- parents and child with parish involvement
- attendance at a Catholic primary school
- school support eg. enthusiasm, commitment of student and involvement of students and parents in school life
- reference from primary school – especially regarding appropriate relationships and behaviour

Late applications will be considered if places are available. This also applies to late applications from Catholic families and siblings. An interview does not necessarily mean that a place will be offered. If a place is not available, your child's name will be held on the waiting list unless you notify the College that you do not want to proceed with your application.

NB: Outstanding fee debt at other Brisbane Catholic Education schools must be resolved prior to enrolment confirmation.

[Refundable Enrolment Bond](#)

1. An Enrolment Bond of \$150.00 per student is required to confirm an acceptance of a place at St John's College.
2. The Enrolment Bond is refunded on request when the last student from a family leaves the college after payment of all outstanding accounts and subject to the return of all hire and library books, provided one term's notice of leaving has been given. Notice is not required for graduating Year 12 students.
3. The Enrolment Bond is not refunded if the student's enrolment is cancelled prior to entering. In exceptional circumstances where parents can demonstrate factors outside their control lead to cancellation, they may apply to the Principal for a refund.

Curriculum

The following subjects are offered to students at St John's College in 2019.

<p>Year 7</p> <p>Religious Education English Mathematics Science Humanities (Geography, History and Civics) Physical Education</p> <p>Drama Visual Art Music Digital Technologies Design and Technologies – Engineering Principles & Systems – Graphics Design and Technologies – Materials and Technologies - Wood Design and Technologies - Food Specialisation Languages</p>	<p>Year 8</p> <p>Religious Education English Mathematics Science Humanities (Geography and History) Physical Education</p> <p>Drama 2 Visual Art 2 Music Digital Technologies Design and Technologies – Engineering Principles & Systems – Graphics Design and Technologies – Materials and Technologies - Wood Design and Technologies - Food Specialisation Indonesian Dance Business and Economics</p>	<p>Year 9</p> <p>Religious Education English Mathematics Science Humanities (Geography and History) Physical Education</p> <p>Drama Visual Arts Music Dance Media Arts Digital Technologies Business and Economics Design and Technologies – Engineering Principles & Systems – Graphics Design and Technologies – Materials and Technologies - Wood Design and Technologies – Engineering and Materials - Metal Design and Technologies - Food Specialisation Indonesian Legal Studies</p>
<p>Year 10</p> <p>Religious Education English Mathematics</p> <p>Literature Essential English Specialist Mathematics General Science Physics and Chemistry Biology and Physics Chemistry and Biology Music Modern History Geography Legal Studies Health Health & Physical Education Indonesian Recreation Business and Economics Digital Technologies Drama Dance Media Arts Visual Art Design and Technologies – Engineering Principles and Systems – Graphics Design and Technologies – Materials and Technologies - Wood Design and Technologies – Engineering and Materials – Metal Design and Technologies - Food Specialisation Hospitality Studies</p>	<p>Year 11</p> <p>N.B. SAS and certificate subjects do NOT contribute to an OP</p> <p>Study of Religion or Religion and Ethics SAS</p> <p>English or Essential English</p> <p>General Mathematics or Mathematical Methods or Essential Mathematics</p> <p>Literature Biology Business Chemistry Drama Geography Health Food and Nutrition Indonesian Legal Studies Modern History Music Physical Education Physics Specialist Mathematics Visual Art Certificate II/III in Hospitality and Events Visual Arts in Practice Certificate III Engineering Technology – Graphics Certificate IV Crime & Justice Sport and Recreation Diploma of Business Engineering Skills Furnishing Skills</p>	<p>Year 12</p> <p>N.B. SAS and certificate subjects do NOT contribute to an OP</p> <p>Study of Religion or Religion and Ethics SAS</p> <p>English or English Communication SAS</p> <p>Mathematics A or Mathematics B Prevocational Mathematics SAS</p> <p>Mathematics C Biology Business Management Chemistry Drama Geography Graphics Hospitality Studies Indonesian Legal Studies Modern History Music Physical Education Physics Technology Studies Visual Art Certificate III in Fitness Visual Arts in Practice SAS Industrial Technology Skills SAS Recreation SAS Information & Communication Technology Tourism</p>

Pastoral Approach and Structure

At St John's College we are called to be neighbour to all through committing to respectful relationships, engaging as responsible learners and developing as resilient young adults.

Year 7 students will receive a special welcome into the College community on their first day. On this occasion, they will meet the Year 11 students and are welcomed by their '**buddy**'. **Buddies** are senior students who, through a variety of formal and informal activities during the year, form lasting and positive relationships with the Year 7 students. Buddies give our Year 7s friendship, support and encouragement.

On their first day of school, Year 7 students will meet their PC teacher. Students remain in daily contact with this teacher for their entire time at St John's. For parents, this teacher provides a point of contact for issues or concerns. PC groups are organised across year levels: Years 7/9/11 and Years 8/10/12. Students from these year levels will journey through St John's in these same groupings. Buddies will be assigned to the same PC group. PC groups are also part of the house system as all members of the PC group are in the same house. The college houses are named: Acacia, Banksia, Casuarina and Melaleuca emphasising the college's stewardship of our natural environment.

Pastoral Middle Leaders take overall responsibility for the welfare of students in a particular Year Group. They provide another point of contact for parents when issues or concerns arise.



Extracurricular Activities

To complete the education of your child, we offer a variety of opportunities for them to participate beyond the classroom.

These opportunities include:

ART

Art Exhibitions
Workshops
Art Club

DANCE

Dance Troupe
Eisteddfods
Productions
Shakefest

DRAMA

Drama Festivals
Productions
Shakefest
Theatresports

LITERATURE

Public Speaking
Reader's Cup
Debating

MEDIA

STUFFit

MUSIC

Chapel Band
Instrument and Voice Lessons
Various Music Ensembles
Music Festivals
Productions
Recitals and Concerts

✦ Student Committees

These committees provide opportunities for students to become involved in Prayer and Ritual, Magazine and Publicity, Stewardship, Social Action, Arts and Peer Support areas.



☀ Sporting

A wide variety of sports are offered depending on student interest and needs. New sports have been introduced each year in response to student requests. It is important that students/parents of St John's prioritize their sporting commitment to the school. Acknowledging that many club associations have been forged, we ask that your talents be also shared with your school community. This aspect of participation and builds strong spirit and opportunities for regional, state and national success.

▶ Interschool competitions exist for the following teams:

- Swimming
- Netball
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Rugby Union
- Water Polo
- Athletics
- Football/Futsal
- Australian Rules

▶ Students may also compete in knock-out competitions for:

- Australian Rules
- Football
- Surfing
- Touch Football
- Hockey
- Rugby 7
- Equestrian
- Tennis
- Table Tennis
- Rowing
- Rugby League
- Surf Life Saving

▶ The college conducts annual swimming, cross country and athletics carnivals from which school teams are selected to compete at district schools' carnivals.

▶ Outstanding sportspeople have the opportunity to compete at district, regional and state levels in those sports in which they excel.

▶ For more information, please see the St John's College website; School Life; Extracurricular Activities. Link: www.stjohns.qld.edu.au/sport/Pages/default



Bus Services

The bus companies listed below serve St John's College. Their services cover the following areas.

Bus Company	Areas Served	Contact Details
West's National Bus Company <i>Pink coaches with maroon stripes</i>	Panorama Drive Nambour Image Flat Dulong Rosemount Montville Mapleton Maroochy River Coes Creek Kureelpa	Phone: 5445 9724 Fax: 5445 0663 Email: charter@nationalcoaches.com.au Website: www.westsnationalcoaches.com.au
Buslink Qld P/L – Kunda Pk	Caloundra to Minyama Mooloolaba to Maroochydore Kuluin Woombye West Woombye Palmwoods Buderim Mountain Creek Mount Coolum Palmwoods area Marcoola Eudlo Paracific Paradise Chevallum Bli Bli Chancellor Park Eudlo Flats area Little Mountain Keil's Mountain Palmview Diddillibah Tanawha Hunchy Glenview Mudjimba Kirby Road Cod Hole Kunda Park Headland Park Mons Cotton Tree Pacific Paradise Forest Glen Ilkey Mooloolah Yaroomba	Phone: 5476 6622 Fax: 5476 6577 Email: info.sunshinecoast@buslink.com.au Website: www.buslinkqld.com.au
Buslink Qld P/L - Noosa	Noosa/Eumundi/Cooroy - Nambour Noosa/Coolum/Mudjimba - Nambour	Phone: 5474 4733 Fax: 5449 9503 Email: info.sunshinecoast@buslink.com.au Website: www.buslinkqld.com.au
Coolum Coaches	Coolum Hinterland Lake Weyba Kiamba Valdora North Arm Peregian Springs Yandina Cooloolabin Parklands Mt Ninderry	Phone: 5351 1165 Fax: 5351 1165 School Runs Glynn: 0428 359 288 Peter: 0499 000 302 Email: coolumcoaches@outlook.com.au Website: www.coolumcoaches.com.au

For additional information about bus routes and for specific information about fares and concessions, please contact the bus companies.

Uniform

The current uniform, designed by students, parents and staff, was implemented in 1994 and has been modified over the past seven years. St John's students wear their uniform with pride and dignity and act as powerful ambassadors of the College.

The uniform was designed to allow students to be:

- comfortable & well presented, and
- in compliance with Workplace Health & Safety Regulations

Formal Uniform

Girls

- Navy skirt (worn below the knee) worn with striped shirt and tie
- SJC logo socks or navy stockings
- Formal black leather **lace-up** school shoes with heel
- College hat
- College navy jumper with College crest
- College navy blazer with College crest worn by Years 11 & 12 (compulsory in Terms 2 and 3)

Boys

- Navy shorts or long navy trousers, worn with belt and striped shirt, tie optional in Terms 1 & 4, tie compulsory in Terms 2 & 3
- Navy socks with blue and white stripes
- Formal black leather **lace-up** school shoes with heel
- College hat
- Navy College jumper with College crest
- College navy blazer with College crest worn by Years 11 & 12 (compulsory in Terms 2 and 3)

Sports Uniform

Girls

- Navy sports shorts
- College sports shirt
- White SJC sports socks or SJC logo socks
- Supportive sports shoes eg. NO DUNLOP VOLLEYS, CONVERSE OR SIMILAR – any colour joggers or trainers may be worn
- College sports hat or cap
- College navy jumper with College crest or College sports jacket and/or tracksuit pants to be worn with sports uniform only

Boys

- Navy sports shorts
- College sports shirt
- White SJC sports socks
- Supportive sports shoes eg. NO DUNLOP VOLLEYS, CONVERSE OR SIMILAR – any colour joggers or trainers may be worn
- College sports hat or cap
- College navy jumper with College crest or College sports jacket and/or tracksuit pants to be worn with sports uniform only



Uniform Costs

Boys	Cost		Girls	Cost
<i>Item</i>			<i>Item</i>	
Formal Shorts	\$30		Formal Skirt	\$45
Formal Trousers	\$40		Formal Blouse - Short Sleeves	\$40
Belt	\$17		Tie - Junior	\$17
Formal Shirt - Short sleeves	\$35		Tie - Senior	\$17
Tie (Compulsory for Terms 2 & 3)	\$17		SJC Logo Socks	\$10
Socks	\$10		Stockings	\$12
Formal Hat	\$55		Formal Hat	\$55
Jumper - Size 14 - 22	\$60		Jumper - Size 14 - 22	\$60
Sports Shorts	\$25		Sports Shorts	\$25
Sports Shirt	\$35		Sports Shirt	\$35
Sports Socks	\$8		Sports Socks	\$8
Sports Hat or Cap	\$15		Sports Hat or Cap	\$15
Sports Jacket	\$40		Sports Jacket	\$40
Sports Track Pants	\$30		Sports Track Pants	\$30
St John's Apron <i>Optional</i>	\$15		St John's Apron <i>Optional</i>	\$15
College Backpack <i>Optional</i>	\$58		College Backpack <i>Optional</i>	\$58
St John's College Blazer for Years 11 & 12 (Compulsory for Terms 2 & 3)	\$160		St John's College Blazer for Years 11 & 12 (Compulsory for Terms 2 & 3)	\$160
NB: All prices subject to change				
Please Note: It is compulsory for students in Years 11 and 12 to wear a blazer in Terms 2 and 3.				

The uniform prices listed above are for 2019. Uniform prices are available prior to the beginning of each school year.

School Fees 2019

Payment Terms: School fees are posted in the first week of each term. Payment terms are 21 days from this date.

Payment Options: Our preferred method of payment is by automated direct debit from either your bank account or credit card or Bpay. Other payments including Eftpos, cash & cheques are accepted at the office.

Qkr! our Mobile Phone App is also available as a convenient way to pay your fees..

(Instructions found on our website)



Fees

The following table indicates the cost of fees and levies that are charged each term.

Fee/Levy	Per Term	Annually
School Fees		
- single child	\$ 543.00	\$ 2,172
- two children	\$ 814.50	\$ 3258
- three children	\$ 1,031.75	\$ 4,127
Additional fee for each child in Secondary Senior	\$ 42	\$ 168
Capital Fee (per family)	\$ 166	\$ 664
P&F Fee (per family)	\$ 32.50	\$ 130
General Purpose Fee - Years 7, 9 & 12 (per student)	\$ 246.25	\$ 985
- Year 8,10,11	\$ 245.00	\$ 980
Resource and Activity Fee		
- Years 7 & 8	\$ 173.75	\$ 695
- Year 9	\$ 176.25	\$ 705
- Year 10	\$ 212.50	\$ 850
- Year 11	\$ 208.75	\$ 835
- Year 12	\$ 211.25	\$ 845

Each year level attends a camp/retreat during the year. The cost of the camp/retreat is included in the Resource and Activity Fee for every student.

The General Purpose Fee covers the 1:1 laptop program.

Additional fees for optional extra-curricular activities may arise from time to time (e.g. rugby/netball/debating, etc). These fees are not included in any of the above fees and should be paid at the time of the activity. Fees are adjusted annually and will be available prior to the start of each school year.

Fee Concessions No family should endure unreasonable financial hardship because of fees. Any reduction in fees, though, should be looked at in terms of financial needs of the family, the responsibility to our other full fee paying parents and the efforts made in paying the fees. Concessional fees are only applied to School Fees and the Capital Levy. If you believe you may be eligible for a concession rate on school fees, please contact the office at the beginning of Term 1 to request a Fee Concession application form.

Direct Debit To spread the cost of your fees over the year, we offer a direct debit system, whereby an amount is deducted from your bank account or credit card each fortnight/month. Applications for a direct debit request are available from the office. As a guide, some calculations for fortnightly/monthly commitments are shown below. Please note that this is an estimate only.

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Monthly Feb to Nov (10 Months)</i>	<i>Fortnightly Feb to Nov (22 f'nings)</i>
Single Child	\$ 4,646	\$ 464.60	\$ 211.20
Two Children	\$ 7,562	\$ 756.20	\$ 343.75
Three Children	\$10,429	\$ 1,086.30	\$ 474.05

Sibling Discounts St John's now offers a discounted fee structure for families who also have students at another Catholic school on the Sunshine Coast.

Below is a table setting out the fee discounts as they apply at St Johns:

	<i>Siblings in other Catholic Schools</i>				
	<i>None</i>	<i>One</i>	<i>Two</i>	<i>Three</i>	<i>Four</i>
Discount	0%	5%	10%	20%	40%

Please note the discount only applies to School Fees. It does not apply to the Capital Fee, P&F Fee or Subject Fee.

I trust this information will be helpful to you. Should you have any queries regarding an aspect of fees, please feel free to contact me.



Mrs Kim Harrison
Business Manager

Enrolment Interviews

Interviews are scheduled for the following days and times:

Interview Days for Year 6s entering Year 7 2020

Monday 11 March 2019
Tuesday 12 March 2019
Wednesday 13 March 2019
Thursday 14 March 2019
Friday 15 March 2019
Monday 18 March 2019
Tuesday 19 March 2019
Wednesday 20 March 2019
Thursday 21 March 2019
Friday 22 March 2019

*Special arrangements are available on
request*

First-round cut-off date for Year 7 2020 interviews is Friday 8 March 2019. Late applications will be considered if places are available. This also applies to late applications from Catholic families and siblings. An interview does not necessarily mean that a place will be offered. If a place is not available, your child's name will be held on the waiting list unless you notify the College that you do not want to proceed with your application.

Each interview involves a meeting between parent(s), Year 6 student and a member of the college leadership team. This is an opportunity for you to ask questions about the college. It is also a chance for us to get to know your family.

Applications can be made through our Online Enrolment process, accessed via our college website (www.stjohns.qld.edu.au) Please ensure that your Online application for enrolment and including all required documentation as per the checklist, is received by the college office by Friday 8 March, 2019. The Principal's secretary will make contact regarding appointments, after completed applications have been received. Feeder schools have kindly offered to send the Principal's Reference directly to St John's College on your behalf if you ask them to complete a form.

A Parent Information Evening will be held at the College on Tuesday 26 February, 2019 at 7pm in the Multi-Purpose Centre for Year 6s entering Year 7 2020. College Tours for Enrolment will be available from 5.30pm to 6.30pm on this day. Parents and students are most welcome.



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