

St John's College Enrolment Information



Inclusive Catholic Education from year 7 to 12









Unbind and Set Free

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Dear Parents and Carers

I am extremely pleased that you are seriously considering making application to enrol your son or daughter at St John's College.

St John's College is an outstanding co-educational Catholic High School administered by Brisbane Catholic Education. St John's has a current enrolment of 800 students Years 7 – 12 and is staffed by professional, experienced, passionate and dedicated teachers. St John's has been established for over thirty nine years on its present site, 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 provides outstanding Catholic Secondary schooling on the Sunshine Coast, offering 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 85-90% OP 1-15)
- where students achieve above state and national averages for NAPLAN
- which facilitates a solid foundation for University and Vocational pathways
- that fosters student leadership
- that supports and encourages students to be successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens.
- with excellent facilities that includes 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
- with a proud tradition of excellence in cultural pursuits, the arts and sporting competition.
- that fosters positive, long lasting partnerships and relationships
- that fosters a child's environmental awareness, stewardship and protection

St John's College can meet your educational needs.

Mr Christopher Gold

Principal

Motto, Vision & Mission Statements & Values

College Motto: "Unbind and Set Free"

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.

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College History

St John's College was first 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 last few years there has been considerable improvement in facilities: upgrades to the library, music and older classrooms; and a focus on improved and contemporary classroom pedagogies. Also the building of an extension to the Polding block to include five new classrooms, two new art rooms and two new drama rooms. We have also strengthened our PC 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 a 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 high school Year 7, 2019

We are delighted for you to be members of our community in 2019. As Year 7 students, you will engage in the extensive curriculum offered here at St John's College.

You will study eight core subjects for the entire year and two for one semester 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 2024.

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 2019 contact the school and leave your email address. Further information and important dates will be communicated via this contact.

Important Dates

- Year 7 2019 Parent Information Evening is Monday 19 February 2017 at 7pm
- Year 7 2019 interviews take place from Monday 12 March to Friday 23 March, 2018
- Enrolment packs will be distributed to St Joseph's and Stella Maris in early February 2018
- Enrolment packs will be available early in 2018

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

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
- 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
- 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 the parents can demonstrate factors outside their control lead to cancellation, they may apply to the Principal for a refund).

<u>Curriculum</u>

The following subjects are offered to students at St John's College in 2018.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Religious Education	Religious Education	Religious Education
English	English	English
Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics
Science	Science	Science
Humanities (Geography,	Humanities (Geography and History)	Humanities (Geography and History)
History and Civics)	Physical Education	Physical Education
Physical Education	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,
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Drama	Visual Art 2	Visual Arts
Visual Art	Music	Music
Music	Digital Technologies	Dance
Digital Technologies	Design and Technologies – Engineering	Media Arts
Design and Technologies –	Principles & Systems – Graphics	Digital Technologies
Engineering Principles & Systems	Design and Technologies – Materials and	Business and Economics
– Graphics	Technologies - Wood	Design and Technologies – Engineering
Design and Technologies – Materials	Design and Technologies - Food	Principles & Systems – Graphics
and Technologies - Wood	Specialisation	Design and Technologies – Materials and
Design and Technologies - Food	Indonesian	Technologies - Wood
Specialisation	Dance	Design and Technologies – Engineering and
Languages	Business and Economics	Materials - Metal
		Design and Technologies - Food
		Specialisation
		Indonesian
		Legal Studies
Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Religious Education	N.B. SAS and certificate subjects do NOT	N.B. SAS and certificate subjects do NOT
English	contribute to an OP	contribute to an OP
Mathematics		
	Study of Religion or	Study of Religion or
Literature	Religion and Ethics SAS	Religion and Ethics SAS
Specialist Mathematics	English or	English or
General Science	English Communication SAS	English Communication SAS
Physics Characterists	Mathematics A or	Mathematics A or
Chemistry	Mathematics B	Mathematics B
Biology	Prevocational Mathematics SAS	Prevocational Mathematics SAS
Modern History		
Geography Legal Studies	Mathematics C	Mathematics C
Health	Biology	Biology
Health & Physical Education	Business Management	Business Management
Recreation	Chemistry	Chemistry
Movement & Physical Activity	Drama	Drama
Business and Economics	Geography	Geography
Digital Technologies	Graphics	Graphics
Drama Music	Hospitality Studies	Hospitality Studies
Dance	Indonesian	Indonesian
Media Arts	Legal Studies	Legal Studies
Visual Arts	Modern History	Modern History
Design and Technologies –	Music	Music
Engineering Principles and	Physical Education	Physical Education
Systems – Graphics 41	Physics	Physics
Design and Technologies – Materials	Technology Studies	Technology Studies
and Technologies - Wood	Visual Art	Visual Art
Design and Technologies –	Certificate III in Fitness	Certificate III in Fitness
Engineering and Materials – Metal	Visual Arts in Practice SAS	Visual Arts in Practice SAS
Design and Technologies - Food	Industrial Technology Skills SAS	Industrial Technology Skills SAS
Specialisation	Recreation SAS	Recreation SAS
Hospitality Studies	Information & Communication Technology	Information & Communication Technology
External Certificate	VET in Schools	VET in Schools
	Tourism	Tourism

Pastoral Structure

Pastoral Care at St John's is . . . our caring response to the life needs of the students

Year 7 students will receive a special welcome into the College community on their first day. On this occasion they meet the Year 11 students and are welcomed by their 'buddy'.

Buddies are senior students who, through a variety of activities during the year, form lasting and positive relationships with the Year 7 students by providing them with friendship, support and encouragement.

Also on their first day of school the Year 7 students will meet their PC teacher. Students remain in daily contact with this teacher for their time at St John's. For parents, this teacher provides a point of contact for issues or concerns.

PC groups are organized 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 some 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. Houses are: Acacia, Banksia, Casuarina, Melaleuca.

Pastoral Coordinators 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 may be:

* Cultural

- Orchestra
- Musical or Drama Production
- Instrumental Music
- Other Musical Ensembles
- Sunshine Coast Schools' Drama Festival
- Public Speaking
- Reader's Cup
- Debating
- Big Band
- St John's College Theatresports
- Youth Theatresports
- Drama

- STUFFit
- Friends of Room 9
- Art Exhibitions
- Dance Eisteddfods
- Shakefest
- Glee

Students have an opportunity to perform in concerts, competitions and various College and Public Functions.

Student Committees

These committees provide opportunities for students to become involved in Liturgy, Magazine, the Stewardship, Social Action, the 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:
 - Rugby Union
 - Water Polo
 - Athletics
 - Netball

- Australian Rules
- Swimming
- Basketball
- Football/Futsal

- Cross Country
- Tennis

- Students may also compete in Knock-out Competitions for:
 - Australian Rules
 - Football (Soccer)
 - Surfing
 - Touch Football

- Hockey
- Rugby's 7
- Equestrian
- Tennis

- Table Tennis
- Rowing
- ▶ 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 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 Serviced		Contact Details
West's National Bus Company (Pink coaches with maroon stripes)	Panorama Drive Image Flat Rosemount Mapleton Coes Creek	Nambour Dulong Montville Maroochy River Kureelpa	Phone: 5445 9724 Fax: 5445 0663 Email: charter@nationalcoaches.com.au www.nationalcoaches.com.au
Buslink Qld P/L – Kunda Pk	Caloundra to Minyar Mooloolaba to Marc Kuluin West Woombye Buderim Mount Coolum Marcoola Paracific Paradise Bli Bli Eudlo Flats area Keil's Mountain Diddillibah Hunchy Mudjimba Cod Hole Headland Park Cotton Tree Forest Glen Mooloolah		Phone: 5476 6622 Fax: 5476 6577 Email: info.sunshinecoast@buslink.com.au 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 www.buslinkqld.com.au
Coolum Coaches	Coolum Hinterland Kiamba North Arm Yandina Parklands	Lake Weyba Valdora Peregian Springs Cooloolabin Mt Ninderry	Phone: 5351 1165 Fax: 5351 1165 School Runs Glynn: 0428 359 288 Peter: 0499 000 302 Email: coolumcoaches@outlook.com.au 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 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
- 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
- Sports hat
- Navy College jumper with College crest or College sports jacket and/or tracksuit pants

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)

Boys

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



Uniform Costs

Boys	Cost	Girls	Cost
Item		Item	
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	\$17	SJC Logo Socks	\$10
Socks – Short/Long	\$7/10	Stockings	\$12
Formal Hat	\$55	Formal Hat	\$55
Jumper - Size 14 - 22	\$60	Jumper - Size 14 - 22	
Sports Shorts	\$25	Sports Shorts	\$25
Sports Shirt	\$35	Sports Shirt	\$35
Sports Socks	\$8	Sports Socks	\$8
Sports Hat	\$15	Sports Hat	\$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 Optional	\$58	College Backpack <i>Optional</i>	\$58
St John's College Blazer for Years 11 & 12 (Compulsory)	\$160	St John's College Blazer for Years 11 & 12 (Compulsory)	\$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 2018. Uniform prices are available prior to the beginning of each school year.

School Fees 2018

The following are details regarding school fees.

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 new Mobile Phone App is now also available for 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 - two children - three children	\$ 527.00 \$ 1,054.20 \$ 1,159.40	\$ 2,108 \$ 4,216.80 \$ 4,637.60
Additional fee for each child in Secondary Senior	\$ 41	\$ 164
Capital Fee (per family)	\$ 162.50	\$ 650
P&F Fee (per family)	\$ 32.50	\$ 130
General Purpose Fee - Years 7, 9 & 12 (per student) - Year 8,10,11	\$ 246.25 \$ 245.00	\$ 985 \$ 980
Resource and Activity Fee - Years 7 & 8 - Year 9 - Year 10 - Year 11 - Year 12	\$ 172.50 \$ 175.00 \$ 212.50 \$ 205.00 \$ 205.00	\$ 690 \$ 700 \$ 850 \$ 820 \$ 820

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 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 Business Manager for an Application for Fee Concession.

> Please contact the office at the beginning of Term 1 2018 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 quide, some calculations for fortnightly/monthly commitments are shown below. (Please note – estimate only)

	Annual	Monthly Feb to Nov (10 Months)	Fortnightly Feb to Nov (22 f'nights)
Single Child	\$ 4,563	\$ 456.30	\$ 207.45
Two Children	\$ 7,675.80	\$ 767.58	\$ 348.90
Three Children	\$10,490	\$ 1,049	\$ 476.82

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:

Siblings in Other Catholic Schools

	None	One	Two	Three	Four
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 2019

Monday 12 March 2018
Tuesday 13 March 2018
Wednesday 14 March 2018
Thursday 15 March 2018
Friday 16 March 2018
Monday 19 March 2018
Tuesday 20 March 2018
Wednesday 21 March 2018
Thursday 22 March 2018
Friday 23 March 2018

Special arrangements are available on request

First-round cut-off date for Year 7 2019 interviews is Friday 9 March 2018. 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.

Please return the Application for Enrolment form and all documentation required on the checklist and your preferred interview day to the College office by as soon as possible. (Feeder schools have kindly offered to send the Principal's Reference 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 Monday 19 February, 2018, from 7pm to 8.30pm in the Multi-Purpose Centre for Year 6s entering Year 7 2019. College Tours for Enrolment will be available from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. Parents and students are most welcome.