



Where will her journey begin?

A guide to Year 5 and Year 7 entry

YEAR 5 AND YEAR 7

At St Rita's College, your daughter will experience a modern catholic school with a rich tradition in academic and cocurricular sport and music excellence, cultural diversity and an unfailing commitment to social justice. Change is embraced, expectations are high, and lessons last long beyond the classroom. In teaching our students the courage to stand alone and the power of standing together, we challenge them to be women of action not just words – Virtute non Verbis.

St Rita's College is a school where minds are opened, dreams are imagined and the Presentation traditions of compassion, hospitality and simplicity establish foundations for the future.

Thank you for your interest in joining the St Rita's College community, we are delighted that you are considering a Presentation education for your daughter at St Rita's College.

Year 5 and Year 7 are the main entry points for enrolment, with the College now welcoming a larger intake in Year 5.

This guide is designed to assist your family when considering the next step towards joining our College community.

Year 5 at St Rita's College

Year 5 provides a welcoming introduction to the culture, community, and academic expectations of St Rita's College through a supportive Primary lens.

Our Primary Years Program (Years 5 and 6) nurtures inquisitive learners, builds confidence, and develops young people of integrity as they transition into adolescence. Students are supported by a dedicated classroom teacher and Primary Years team, ensuring strong pastoral care and age-appropriate learning.

Year 7 at St Rita's College

Year 7 entry marks the start of a St Rita's College secondary school journey. We have a dedicated transition and induction program to assist all students to step seamlessly into secondary schooling.

Year 7 brings the joy of discovering the wide range of subjects and cocurricular opportunities available as students experience what secondary school at St Rita's College has to offer.



	YEAR 5	YEAR 7
NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER ENTRY YEAR	104 student enrolments	+76 student enrolments
COLLEGE CAMPUS	<p>Primary Years Area, a dedicated space for our Year 5 and 6 learners.</p> <p>Access to specialist classrooms and cocurricular facilities across the College.</p> <p>Playground and undercover eating space.</p> <p>Dedicated Library space for Primary Years.</p>	Access to whole College campus.
CLASSES	One core primary classroom, moving for specialist lessons only.	Same class for core subjects but learning to move between classrooms.
TEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF	<p>Core Primary teacher along with specialist subject teachers.</p> <p>Primary Years Team</p> <p>Primary Guidance Counsellor</p>	<p>Multiple teachers for core subjects, along with specialised subject teachers.</p> <p>House Group Teacher</p> <p>Head of House</p> <p>Head of Student Wellbeing</p>
MISSION AND SERVICE	<p>Year 5 Retreat</p> <p>Whole School Liturgies & Mass</p> <p>Community House Masses</p> <p><i>Year 5 Mission and Service:</i></p> <p>Containers for Change</p> <p>Mini Vinnies</p> <p>Socktober</p> <p>Participation in House and Mission/ Services activities.</p>	<p>Year 7 Retreat</p> <p>Whole School Liturgies & Mass</p> <p>Community House Masses</p> <p><i>Year 7 Mission and Service:</i></p> <p>Lenten Appeal</p> <p>Social Justice Group</p> <p>St Vincent de Paul Appeals</p> <p>Participation in Whole School Mission and Service activities, particularly in House Ministries.</p>
SUBJECTS	<p><i>Core Subjects</i></p> <p>Religious Education</p> <p>English</p> <p>Mathematics</p> <p>Science</p> <p>Humanities and Social Science</p> <p>Health & Personal Development</p> <p><i>Specialist Subjects</i></p> <p>Technologies</p> <p>Languages – German</p> <p>The Arts (Music, Drama, Visual and Media Arts)</p> <p>Physical Education</p> <p>Amplify Arts Program (Instrumental, Voice and Speech & Communication)</p> <p>Outdoor Education</p>	<p><i>Core Subjects</i></p> <p>Religious Education</p> <p>English</p> <p>Mathematics</p> <p>Outdoor Education Program</p> <p>Science</p> <p>Humanities</p> <p>Rise@Rita's</p> <p><i>Trimester Rotation Subjects:</i></p> <p><i>Language Rotation</i></p> <p>French</p> <p>German</p> <p>Japanese</p> <p><i>Arts Rotation</i></p> <p>Drama</p> <p>Music</p> <p>Visual Art</p> <p><i>Technology Rotation</i></p> <p>Digital Technologies</p> <p>STEAM</p> <p>Design and Technologies</p>
LEARNING	We offer a dynamic range of support and extension programs to enrich and inspire student learning and to build confidence in the classroom.	
HOMEWORK	30 mins per day with homework tasks to be completed weekly.	Between 30 – 60 minutes per day.

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EQUIPMENT	<p>Books and stationery remain in the classroom.</p> <p>Apple iPad (College-supplied) taken home each night.</p> <p>On campus IT support.</p>	<p>Each student is allocated a locker near their House Group classroom.</p> <p>Bring Your Own Device (BYOD).</p> <p>On campus IT support.</p>
STUDENT WELLBEING RISE@RITA'S	<p>In Primary Years, RISE@Rita's aims to strengthen student's sense of identity and community by building positive relationships, social skills, and practical strategies for managing emotions and challenges.</p> <p>Across Years 5 and 6, learners build confidence, resilience, GRIT, responsible decision-making, and healthy friendships both in person and online.</p>	<p>Year 7 students will deepen their self-awareness and connection with others through a focus on respectful relationships, empathy, emotional literacy, and the social skills needed to navigate friendships and growing independence.</p>
HOUSE SYSTEM	<p>Students are assigned to a House and participate in whole school House activities and carnivals.</p> <p>We value Student Leadership opportunities and are proud to give our Year 6s the opportunity to lead their Houses within the Primary Years. We have two Primary Leaders per House each semester, giving exciting opportunities to lead, learn and inspire.</p>	<p>Students belong to a House, with each House made up of six House Groups that bring together students from all year levels under the guidance of a House Group Teacher.</p> <p>A valued tradition, the Big Sister/Little Sister program pairs each incoming Year 7 student with a Year 12 mentor from late Term 4 through to their first days at St Rita's and beyond.</p>
OUTDOOR EDUCATION	<p>Students attend Year 5 camp at QCCC Tamborine in Term 4 with a focus on developing confidence, independence and resilience.</p> <p>3 days/2 nights Cabin Accommodation Orienteering Bush Walking Team Building Bush Tucker</p> <p>In Year 6, our Primary students visit our nation's capital in an immersive 5 day/4 night Canberra experience.</p>	<p>Our Year 7 camp is at QCCC Mapleton early in Term 1 with a focus on building independence, making connections and navigating new challenges.</p> <p>3 days/2 nights Cabin 1 night/Camping Tent 1 night Giant Swing Canoeing Team building Archery Bush Walking</p>
COCURRICULAR MUSIC	<p>Amplify is a dynamic program for our Year 5 students offering a unique blend of creative expression through learning an instrument, public speaking and singing.</p> <p>Each student will learn a string or band instrument.</p> <p>Engage in public speaking tuition and practice.</p> <p>Express their singing voice.</p> <p>In addition to our Amplify Program students are encouraged to join an ensemble-based program for progression and development opportunities.</p>	<p>Incoming Year 7 students can enrol in our Music Program including instrumental tuition, performance ensembles and music theory classes.</p> <p><i>Ensembles</i> Band (Woodwind, Brass and Percussion) String Guitar Choir</p>

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COCURRICULAR SPORT	<i>Primary Years Sports</i> Swimming Netball Tennis Touch Football Water Polo Strength and Conditioning	<i>Senior Sports</i> AFL Basketball Cross Country Football Netball Rugby Swimming Tennis Touch Football Track and Field Volleyball Water Polo <i>Specialist Programs</i> Strength and Conditioning Sporting Excellence Program Representative School Pathway Sporting Association Partnerships
COCURRICULAR DEBATING	Primary students participate in the Queensland Debating Union [QDU] competition. This is held during Terms 3 and 4.	Years 7-12 students participate in the Brisbane Girls Debating Association (BGDA) and the Queensland Debating Union (QDU) throughout the year.
CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES	Homework Club Chess Club Textiles Club Hopeful Hearts Primary Book Clubs	Social Justice Club Student Voice Council Breakfast Club Book Club Plus a variety of student led initiatives.

JOIN US

We invite your family to take the next step towards joining our St Rita's College Community.

Applications for the College's main entry years, Year 5 and Year 7, are made online and are accepted from the time your daughter commences Prep.

If you have any questions regarding the admissions process, College tours or require support to complete an online enrolment application, please contact our Admissions Team via enrol@stritas.qld.edu.au or phone **(07) 3860 7186**.





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