

MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE... FOR THE FUTURE

Pimlico's curriculum and our vision for learning embrace the notions of global citizenship and international mindedness. We are preparing students for a globalised world and a future that will see our graduates working and contributing on the international stage.

Our accreditation with the Council of International Schools demonstrates our school's commitment to providing students with an educational experience that is truly world-class and that prepares them to be successful and active global citizens.

Our Global Studies Program provides innovative enrichment and extension opportunities embedded in our Years 7 and 10 curriculum. The program helps prepare students for involvement in diverse real world problem solving and leadership activities in higher year levels.

Through our International Student Program, Pimlico plays host to overseas students from a range of countries in Europe, Asia and the Americas. The program brings a significant international flavour to our school environment. Each year, Pimlico also provides the opportunity for students to participate in overseas learning experiences. Previous study tours to France, Turkey and Vietnam have involved a historical and commemorative focus, while our recent tours to US, UAE and Singapore focussed on innovation, technology and enterprise.

From sporting stars to professional musicians and vice-chancellors of universities, our alumni are making a world of difference. Becoming a Pimlico Scholar will make a world of difference to your future as well.

MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE... IN SPORT

Sport figures prominently in Pimlico's extra-curricular offerings. Sport is a valued part of Pimlico and students are encouraged to become involved. The school has representative sporting teams across a wide range of sports with numerous opportunities for students to excel in their chosen fields. The school has a long and successful record in sport, particularly athletics.

We provide regular and expert coaching for all students. Our emphasis is on participation and the development of the whole person. Participation in sport encourages a balanced and healthy lifestyle and helps to promote teamwork, dedication and endurance.



OUR CURRICULUM OFFERINGS

Pimlico provides an extensive and responsive range of curriculum offerings across the Junior Secondary and Senior Secondary phases of learning.

Junior Secondary at Pimlico focuses on the foundation skills of literacy and numeracy, whilst extending students' academic abilities. Class allocations are tailored to ensure that students receive the right balance of foundation skills and enrichment opportunities.

All students access a curriculum that is rich in technology. We believe that technology is a learning tool and, as such, we integrate it into the curriculum so that students are using technology across all of their subjects to enhance their learning. We encourage students to become involved in our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program.

From their first year of high school, students study a common course of

subjects corresponding to the eight key learning areas of the Australian Curriculum. At Year 9 level, students continue with five core subjects of English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science and Health and Physical Education. A range of subjects from within the other learning areas of The Arts, Languages and Technologies are available as elective subjects. Full details of all available subjects and the subject selection process are available in Pimlico's Year 9 Course Handbook.

Year 10 students continue their core and elective studies with a strong orientation towards preparing them for the transition to study beyond Year 10. In Years 11 and 12, our focus is on providing a variety of pathways that meet the diverse needs and aspirations of individual students. We provide a comprehensive range of subjects and vocational courses for students that enable them to achieve their post-school ambitions.

Students intending to pursue tertiary studies at university are able to select from

over 25 General Subjects, with extension subjects also offered in English and Music. Traditionally, the majority of students leaving Pimlico State High School attend university and our subject offerings are tailored for these students. We have a rich tradition of academic achievement with many graduates from Pimlico State High School going on to excel across many fields at university.

Students who aspire towards employment or careers in the trades are catered for through the provision of a range of Applied subjects and Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses in the areas of Health, Justice, Business, Construction, Engineering, Hospitality and Information Technology as well as a range of other courses offered in partnership with TAFE. We have well-developed links with local industry to provide structured workplace learning and part-time school-based apprenticeships and traineeships to complement school subjects. Full details of course options are listed in Course Handbooks for each year level.



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EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

Pimlico has a strong and proud tradition of academic excellence and of service to the community. A Pimlico education strives to develop young people of purpose, responsibility, resilience, compassion and innovation. We seek to make a difference

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IN PUBLIC EDUCATION



in the lives of our students so that, in turn, they can make a positive and profound difference in our community and our world. That is why at Pimlico we are committed to making a world of difference.

I invite you to learn more about our great school and about how being a Pimlico Scholar can help prepare you as a

Established in 1959, Pimlico is proudly part of Queensland's state school system. Public education provides opportunities for all to excel, regardless of personal



successful life-long learner and a confident and caring global citizen, ready to make a world of difference.

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Executive Principal

circumstance. Public education is about universal excellence, access to education, being part of the community and valuing diversity.

Pimlico's status as an Independent Public School enables our school community to exercise the autonomy and local decision-making needed to drive innovation while still enjoying the benefits of being part of a state-wide public education system.

As one of only 40 schools within Australia and approximately 600 worldwide accredited with the prestigious Council of International Schools, Pimlico is committed to providing a truly world-class public education. Our CIS accreditation demonstrates our commitment, both to internationalism and to meeting international benchmarks in educational excellence and continuous improvement.

As a proud state school, we believe that partnerships - starting with those in our local community - provide a network of support and bring richness to the school experience. We celebrate our diversity, recognising that we have much to learn from the wide range of experiences of the people in our school community. At the same time, we recognise that there is much that we all have in common and we harness the power of the goals that bind us together to benefit others.

Within our school culture of excellence and high expectations, we provide numerous academic options that will enrich and extend high achieving students. We are well regarded across Townsville for the way in which we enable high achieving students to perform to the best of their abilities. Our Programs of Excellence in Music and in Global Studies provide exciting opportunities for students to be extended and challenged - both creatively and academically.

It is of vital importance to us that students learn life lessons such as teamwork, interpersonal and study skills, the value of hard work and the success that comes from dedication to their studies. We achieve this through both our curriculum and wide-ranging extra-curricular activities such as instrumental music, performing arts and sport. Pimlico is proud of its record in the areas of public speaking, debating and other curriculum related programs such as OptiMinds, Young Diplomats and Young Australians Plan for the Planet. Students regularly perform with distinction in these programs at a regional, state and national level.

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IN TEACHING AND LEARNING

Being a Pimlico Scholar is all about learning. Our experienced and dedicated staff are committed to achieving excellence in teaching and learning within a safe and supportive school environment. It is our goal to ensure that students are motivated and challenged to learn and to achieve.

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FOR OUR STUDENTS

We produce high quality learning outcomes for students that prepare them to live productively in a global society. We develop students for their future careers through a strong curriculum, high quality teaching and a variety of pathway and subject options.

Our school community has a shared commitment to the attributes that we seek to develop in all learners. Pimlico Scholars strive for excellence as they seek to develop themselves as life-long learners ready to embrace their roles as active and engaged global citizens. They seek to live out the attributes of purpose, responsibility, resilience, compassion and innovation that define a Pimlico Scholar.

Intrinsic to the personal development of our students is the building of leadership capacity. We are committed to helping



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IN OUR COMMUNITY

A Pimlico Scholar recognises that with the privilege of a Pimlico education comes the responsibility of giving back to the community. Community involvement and service learning are critical elements of good citizenship and of what it means to be a Pimlico Scholar.

Throughout the year, there are a range of opportunities for students to participate in charitable works and service learning projects. Many of these are coordinated by our active Junior and Senior Student Councils. An annual highlight is the Benefit Concert organised by the Pimlico Symphony Orchestra which, over the past five years, has raised over \$60 000 for local charities.

We believe that strong partnerships between our school and the wider



community are of vital importance in supporting and challenging students to achieve to their highest potential. These partnerships extend beyond school to parents and caregivers, other schools, universities, businesses and government, helping to create a variety of innovative, engaging and challenging educational experiences for our students.

There are many opportunities for parents and guardians to contribute actively to our school community. Our Parents and Citizens Association plays a vital role within our school, with sub-committees providing support and leadership in relation to major building projects and specialist programs such as Instrumental Music and Sailing. Parent representatives on our School Council contribute to the development of the school's strategic direction.

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IN THE ARTS

Pimlico is renowned for the excellence of our performing arts programs, particularly within instrumental music. We are proud of the music enrichment opportunities that are available to our talented musicians, with over 400 students participating in our extensive instrumental and vocal programs. Each year, places are available in our Program of Excellence in Music while a limited number of Music Scholarships are also available.

It is important to our community that students grow as musicians, and as people, through the opportunities that come from participating in our music program. We offer a wide variety of musical ensembles to students. Some of these are the Symphony Orchestra, a number of String Orchestras and Concert Bands, Junior and Senior Choirs, Pimlico Brass, Stage Band, Percussion Ensemble, Guitar Ensemble, and a variety of smaller Woodwind, String and Brass Ensembles. We are proud of the culture of participation that permeates through the music program and we encourage all students to be involved in opportunities such as music camps, festivals, fund raising performances and the major biennial music tour.

The highlight of the school calendar is undoubtedly the annual variety concert, Pimlico Presents. This concert seeks to showcase the many students in the school who have a flair for the performing arts. We seek to optimise the number of students involved and, most years over 300 students perform on the stage. This iconic event is a much anticipated experience, one that showcases the creative talents of our students to the community.