



WHERE CHILDREN

# Grow in Grace



Grace Lutheran  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
GROW IN GRACE

Engage  
Educate  
Excite

**OUR VALUES:**

The values used at our school were intentionally selected by staff to reflect the Lutheran lifelong qualities for learners. We embed in our daily work: -

Respect	Collaboration
Honesty	Self-Direction
Care	Insightfulness
Creativity	Inquisitiveness



# Grow in Character

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Primary School at Clontarf, on the Redcliffe Peninsula. We are a Lutheran Christian Primary School dedicated to providing the best primary education to prepare students for their secondary schooling. Established in 1971, we have a proud history of guiding young children to develop strong moral characters and the life skills essential for being productive, resilient and capable adults.

Ours is an exceptional P-6 co-educational Christian primary school with close to 400 students and a dedicated team of professional teaching and administration staff. Along with our staff, we also have a vibrant community of families that actively partner in our students' – and their children's – educational journey. It's makes all the difference. Character is developed over time, through the inspiration and influence of multiple people, experiences, and life lessons.

When you come to Grace you will see how our school is a safe, nurturing environment for young learners, with modern air-conditioned classrooms, purpose-built facilities and natural green spaces for play and exploration.

As we educate young people for roles that are yet to be created, we are conscious at Grace of the need to create lifelong learners who have both the knowledge, skills and emotional intelligence to engage in a changing world. We aim to be a school of excellence in all aspects of teaching and learning – as

such we strive for continual improvement in educational practices and outcomes.

Grace Primary is owned and operated by the Lutheran Church of Australia, Queensland District, and works in partnership with the Grace Lutheran Church Redcliffe. It is governed by a School Council. The School also works closely with the Grace Creche and Kindergarten and Grace College, a co-educational secondary school, providing a seamless education from early childhood through to Year 12. This enriches our school community and gives surety to families.

**As Principal, I see my role having four main aspects:**

1. To help our school fulfil our strategic intent
2. To empower our staff to use their talents and abilities to engage, educate and excite our students through fulfilling learning opportunities that meet their individual needs.
3. To get to know each and every family and child that is part of Grace Primary
4. To lead with a clear moral compass, to continue to grow in character and be an example for all.

If you haven't toured our school yet, I warmly invite you to book a personal tour. We'd love to show you our campus close to the sea and give you an insight into how our students Grow in Grace. I look forward to welcoming you soon.

MRS TRUDY MOALA  
PRINCIPAL

## OUR MISSION: ENGAGE - EDUCATE - EXCITE



Getting the right start at Primary School will help your child engage well with their peers and teachers and set them up for academic and social success. It is a critical time in their educational journey.



# Grow in Skills



We understand you have great expectations for your child's education. We understand it is also a large investment for you financially and emotionally. We have therefore purposefully created an independent Christian primary school that offers the right blend of everything a young child requires, ensuring they can grow the right skills.

**There are numerous reasons to choose Grace for your child's P-6 schooling, but foremostly we offer:**

- Value for money – with all-inclusive fees
- A well-rounded yet challenging curriculum
- Christian faith, support and guidance
- An engaged and active community and
- A stimulating environment – with modern facilities and programs that engage, educate and excite.

**Other unique aspects of our school, which will reassure you that you've made the right decision, include:**

- Our values-led Lutheran Christian approach where staff are respectful and nurturing
- Our safe campus with excellent purpose-built facilities, green spaces, playgrounds and adjacent oval
- Our strong academic program in line with the Australian curriculum
- Small school feel with small class sizes and personalised approach to each child's educational needs
- Specialist educational curriculum starting in Prep including STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths), Performing Arts, Physical Education and Japanese

- Modern air-conditioned classrooms with integrated technology
- Camp programs from Year One, teaching children independence from a young age
- A dedicated and structural approach to student wellbeing and pastoral care
- Caring and qualified staff who maintain their professional development
- Transport access from across the Redcliffe Peninsula on safe buses
- Environmental responsibility and programs within the school.

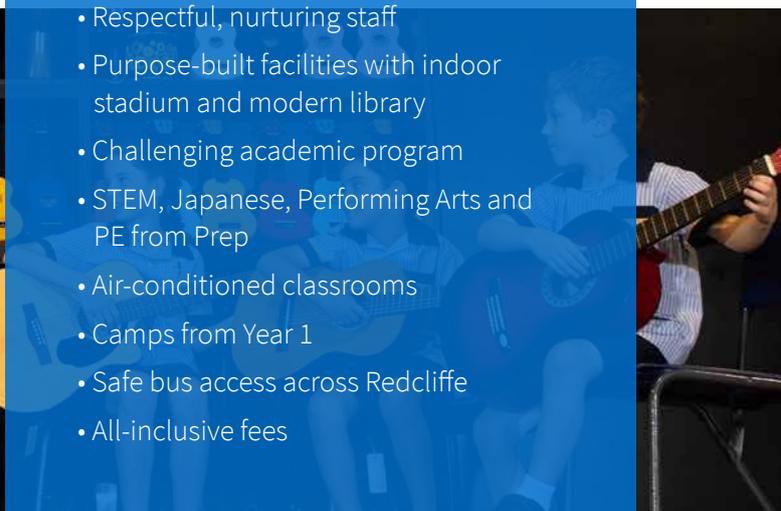
During their time at Grace Primary, your child will grow their skills and learning ability at a rate suitable to them – and at all times they will be exposed to different, exciting and fun opportunities to stimulate both their minds and bodies.

As educators, we know that parents want to be a welcomed part of their school community, and for that community – the school, teachers and other families – to share likeminded philosophies when it comes to beliefs and how children should be raised. Here at Grace, your family will find a place that is like extended family. You will feel at home.



## WHY CHOOSE GRACE PRIMARY?

- Safe, attractive campus
- Christian Lutheran education
- Stand-alone Primary focus
- Small class sizes
- Personalised approach to child's needs
- Respectful, nurturing staff
- Purpose-built facilities with indoor stadium and modern library
- Challenging academic program
- STEM, Japanese, Performing Arts and PE from Prep
- Air-conditioned classrooms
- Camps from Year 1
- Safe bus access across Redcliffe
- All-inclusive fees





# Grow in Potential



Grace Lutheran Primary School is an outstanding co-educational Lutheran Christian primary school offering more for your child than you could possibly imagine. Young minds are impressive in their abilities. They are open to trying new things and discovering new interests. This is what we seek to cultivate at Grace.

Many parents are amazed by our unique approach to curriculum and programs for the entire P-6 student body. We are one of the few schools in Queensland to offer STEM and Performing Arts from Prep with specialist teachers in purpose-created facilities. We also offer Camps from Year 1 with students genuinely describing them as wonderful experiences. It's all part of how we engage, educate and excite our students.

## PERFORMING ARTS

The Grace Primary Performing Arts program encompasses music, speech and drama, and theatrics. Students have a Performing Arts class every week. In it they learn the musical concepts of rhythm, pitch, dynamics and expression, and also how to perform, compose and be confident on stage in front of an audience. In Year 2, students participate in a strings program where every student has access to a violin and are taught the instrument by tutors. In Year 3, all students participate in a band program where they learn a band instrument (brass, woodwind, piano, percussion). Students are also offered the opportunity to further their speech and drama or musical tuition via extra-curricular study. They can also participate in school performance opportunities at chapel, assemblies, small concerts and larger musicals. Opportunities outside of paid extra-curricular activities also include choirs, ensemble and band group work.

## STEM

Within our own STEM precinct, our specialist STEM teacher and teacher aide provide exciting learning opportunities for students using new and emerging technologies as well as traditional methods of exploration and discovery. STEM education gives students the ability to exercise their curiosity and creativity as well as develop their problem-solving skills. A typical STEM class may involve students learning to code their own robotic bumble bee, fly our drones, undertake coding on an iPad or create a scientific experiment with recycled materials and household ingredients.

## CAMPS

Camps are an integral part of the curriculum at Grace Primary and a highlight of the school year for our students. Each year from Year 1 students enjoy camp experiences, ranging from beach camps at outdoor education centres to our jointly-owned outdoor education centre, "Googa" in the beautiful Blackbutt Ranges. In Year 6 all students participate in a 5-day trip to Canberra. The purpose of students attending camp

is to give them an outdoor learning experience that provides them with a new range of skills such as resilience, cooperation, teamwork and independence.

## JAPANESE

Learning another language from a young age is hugely beneficial in helping young minds develop agility and capacity for learning in general. It also introduces students to other cultures, traditions and ways of life. At Grace Primary, students learn Japanese with a specialist Japanese teacher through singing, dancing, craft, books, technology and mainstream teaching methods. All classes are undertaken in our Japanese room, complete with Tatami mat. Prep to Year 2 focus on 'fun' based learning, while Years 3 to 6 classes place more emphasis on language, writing, reading, listening and speaking in Japanese.

## SPORT

Apart from Physical Education lessons once a week, students at Grace Primary participate in sporting carnivals for swimming, athletics and cross country. They also have the opportunity to access after-school sports-training practice. Years 4-6 students also participate in interschool sporting competition on Fridays during Semester 1 and 2. All students have the opportunity to learn tennis from Focus Tennis Academy which operates Tennis Hot Shots lessons before school.



## DID YOU KNOW THAT STUDENTS AT GRACE PRIMARY CAN DO THE FOLLOWING 10 THINGS?

1. Learn a musical instrument starting in Prep
2. Create and design things in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) from our specialist teacher
3. Be an eco-marine 'warrior' by helping to conserve our Moreton Bay environment
4. Undertake dance and movement lessons
5. Have the opportunity to visit Japan as part of our Japanese language program
6. Get outdoors at an outdoor education Camp in Years 1-6
7. Participate in lunchtime activity clubs such as chess, skipping, Lego and basketball
8. Be a part of our School Musical
9. Use fun and interesting Apps on an iPad
10. Learn to play tennis before school





# Grow in Curiosity

Prep students at Grace Primary benefit from a wonderful start to their schooling life.

Our purpose-built Prep facility has three classrooms, each catering for 25 students. Each classroom has its own teaching space, extra activity area and veranda. Classes share outdoor activity areas and Prep play spaces. Toilets for Prep students are located in the facility. The Prep classrooms have been designed to reflect early childhood teaching philosophies and to maximise the number of learning environments. Each Prep class has its own qualified classroom teacher and a teacher aide to ensure students' needs are met.

Prep students are introduced to the basics of literacy and numeracy as well as other foundational subject areas. Once a week the children participate in four specialist lessons in the areas of Performing Arts, Japanese, Physical Education and Sport and STEM. Prep students also participate in library lessons, chapel, assembly, musicals and three sports carnivals (cross country, athletics and swimming).

## ON ANY GIVEN DAY, A GRACE PRIMARY STUDENT MIGHT:

- Play handball or hopscotch at lunch time
- Attend chapel to learn about the Gospel
- Help feed our bantam chickens
- Go to the library at lunch to read the latest book release
- Use the integrated whiteboard in class to do a presentation
- Dress up in character for Book Week parade and watch a play
- Run with their friends in before-school Run Club
- Visit the Queensland Science Centre on a class excursion
- Begin early literacy and numeracy foundational skills
- Engage in free or intentional play

Our teaching staff are known for their respect for all children and their commitment to helping each child reach their potential. Classroom teachers are supported by a Learning Support Teacher and a Teaching & Learning Coordinator. Teacher aides also assist teaching staff to provide support to all children. The curriculum at Grace Primary follows the Australian Curriculum guidelines and is rigorous, challenging and best practice.

### LITERACY AND NUMERACY

We place enormous focus on developing literacy and numeracy skills in our young students so they develop the skills and knowledge to interpret and use language confidently. This enhances learning and effective participation in society. Students have opportunities for listening to, reading, viewing, speaking, writing and creating oral, print, visual and digital texts. Students are encouraged to solve problems and puzzles, play games, ask questions, explore ideas and practise their skills.

### CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Students from Prep to Year 6 gain an understanding and appreciation of the Christian faith through lessons held during the week. Bible reading and related activities help students to focus on a Christian world view, helping them to create meaning in their lives and learn of God's love for them.

### TECHNOLOGY

Information and Communication Technology (ICT) is used at Grace to help students develop skills and understanding of appropriate access, to create and communicate information and ideas. Students access interactive whiteboards in all classrooms as well as iPads. All classes from Prep to Year 3 have shared iPads and students in Years 4-6 bring their own.

### PASTORAL CARE

Grace Lutheran Primary has a behaviour education program, a relational support process and caring staff to assist students and their families. Partnership, trust and communication between home and school is seen as paramount to each student's positive experience. Parents are able to access allied health professionals who partner with the school to assist students in their relationships and learning journey should this be needed. There is a strong anti-bullying policy and a restorative approach in place that bonds our Grace school as a community.

### LEARNING ENRICHMENT AND SUPPORT

Students at Grace who show potential may be invited to participate in our Learning Enrichment program where they are offered extension opportunities to enhance their aptitude and skills. Students who need additional support are also provided with additional resources to help them develop the required skills and knowledge they need to progress in their year.



# Grow in Wisdom





Grow in kindness

Grace Primary acknowledges the essential partnership between our school and parents and that parental engagement is key to the successful education of every child.

We offer a number of services to help parents and also welcome parent volunteers at our school. We believe this strengthens bonds between family and the school and sets a wonderful example for children to follow.

#### SEE-SAW

Our school utilises the See-Saw App where teachers and older students load their work each week. Parents can view their child's progress on a regular basis and be informed on what they are doing in class.

#### GRACE OUTSIDE HOURS SCHOOL CARE

Our outside school hours care facility operates within the school grounds Monday to Friday 6.30am to 8.30am and 3pm to 6pm. There is also a school holiday and student-free day care service.

#### TUCKSHOP

On Wednesdays through to Fridays the School operates a tuckshop which is staffed by volunteers. Healthy meals are available to order through [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au). Parents need to set up an account to order online.

#### UNIFORM SHOP

Grace Primary School also has a Uniform Shop where parents can purchase school uniforms all year round. Opening times are available on our website.

#### PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Parental involvement is welcome and encouraged at Grace Lutheran Primary School. Parents can assist at our tuckshop as well as in the classrooms. Throughout the year the school holds a number of fundraising events, including our biennial fete, which require volunteer support to be a success.

#### TRANSPORT TO GRACE PRIMARY

The school is serviced by Kangaroo and Hornibrook Buslines. A Grace Lutheran College bus service operates directly between the College and Grace Primary each morning and afternoon.



Outside Hours  
School Care



Transport  
Access



Healthy  
Tuckshop



Parent  
Volunteering  
Opportunities



Uniform  
Shop





## ENROLMENT AT GRACE LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

To enrol at Grace Lutheran Primary School please visit our website to either book a tour or download an enrolment form. Simply follow the steps outlined to process your enrolment application.

We are proud to share partnerships with these other Grace Places in Redcliffe – all part of the Lutheran Church of Australia.



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