



# Westmead Christian Grammar School

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## STUDENT HANDBOOK 2018

Westmead Christian Grammar School

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## School Profile

Westmead Christian Grammar School is a Christian Primary school, which has been in operation since 1983. Westmead Christian Grammar School is a caring School proud of its tradition of promoting academic excellence and Christian principles. The school is fully registered and accredited based on syllabus documents provided by the Board of Studies NSW. The school has a small family atmosphere across all areas of the school community.

Quality academic programs addressing the six Key Learning Areas are enriched by the provision of a wide variety of educational experiences designed to enhance well-rounded student growth and development so that all can achieve full potential. Opportunities are also available for students to enjoy a range of extra-curricular activities.

Student Welfare is a major concern of the School with emphasis on developing self-discipline, self-esteem, and Christian principles such as reverence, acceptance, dignity, faith, peace, respect, care, commitment, kindness, truth, loyalty and contentment.

Our Mission is to provide education for each child through a Christ-Centred Curriculum. Every member of staff is committed to seeing your child become all that they can academically, socially, physically and spiritually.

Our school has an enrolment policy that states that we accept children whose parents accept our Statement of Beliefs which is written in the school's application form and want their children to be taught according to the beliefs and values. A condition of enrolment is that students participate in all school activities appropriate to their age and abilities.

If you would like to find out more about our school, do not hesitate to phone the school to arrange a visit or ask for an enrolment form to be sent to you.



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## School Information

Westmead Christian Grammar School is located on the corner of Great Western Highway and Bridge Road Westmead, only minutes from Westmead Hospital and Parramatta CBD and walking distance from Westmead Station.

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## Enrolment Information

### **ENROLMENT PROCEDURE:**

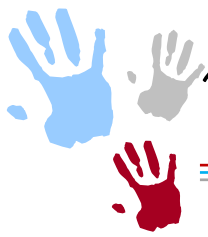
Once an application form has been completed and returned to the school, an appointed member of staff will interview all new families. Upon acceptance families are contacted by mail and given the opportunity to accept the placement offered. Payment of an enrolment fee is required to secure the place. Appointments can be arranged through contacting the school office (Phone 9689 1138).

### **KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS:**

Children who turn five years of age prior to 1<sup>st</sup> July may be enrolled at the beginning of that school year. Documentary evidence of date of birth and an Immunisation Certificate are required.



NB: On occasion younger children may be accepted as full fee paying students. This is only permissible after formal assessment to ensure school readiness. (Please see full fee paying handbook for further information).



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## Curriculum and Policies

ACARA is currently in the process of the development of the New Australian Curriculum. There is a NSW version of the syllabus documents, which have been created. The New South Wales Board of Studies has been previously responsible for developing the syllabus documents, which contain the curriculum all schools must cover.

These mandatory documents have implications for schools. Each school must translate the documents into teaching and learning programs. At Westmead Christian Grammar School, the School staff develops and evaluates school policies that state expectation and provide guidelines for the operation of the school, which compliment the New Australian Curriculum (NSW version) and the NSW Board of Studies syllabus documents and other policies set out by the Department of Education.

Primary subjects are organised into six Key Learning Areas:

1. English
2. Mathematics
3. Human Society and it's Environment
4. Science and Technology
5. Creative and Practical Arts
6. Personal Development/Health/Physical Education.





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## Other Curriculum Areas and Policies

### **LIBRARY:**

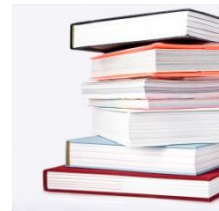
The School Library is an active and vital part of the school. It is not merely for the storage of books, audiovisual hardware and software and other resources, but it is a centre of learning. All students have access to the Library for borrowing and research.

### **SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS:**

All teachers at Westmead Christian Grammar School are committed to creating suitable programs for all students including those with additional learning needs. Individual Learning Programs are designed in all areas based on a student's individual needs.

### **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE:**

At Westmead Christian Grammar School, all of our teachers are trained in catering for students from non-English speaking backgrounds. Suitable programs are developed for each student to assist in intensive language acquisition.



### **TECHNOLOGY:**

Computers and other forms of technology are an important element in our education program. Our goal is for all students to be aware of the implication of computers and other technology for individuals and society. The school has a computer lab, which students from all classes access at different times during the week. Each classroom contains several computers for students to gain practical experience. Students begin learning how to use a computer in Kindergarten.

### **CHAPEL:**

Chapel (assembly) is held weekly. Parents/guardians are encouraged to come along. In this time, weekly class awards are issued to students who have performed well throughout the week. Students perform from time to time during Chapel.



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## **HOMEWORK:**

Homework is given to assist in the development of good study skills and habits. Homework is given to complete or revise class work, to encourage research and to extend the capabilities of the students. The amount of homework given and the time required to complete this work increases gradually with each school year. A guide is provided below:

*Primary*

*Kindergarten: 5-10 minutes (per week)*

*Years One to Two: 20 minutes (per week) – including 10 minutes reading per night*

*Years Three to Four: 30 minutes (per week) – including 10 minutes reading per night*

*Years Five to Six: 40 minutes (per week) – including 10 minutes reading per night*

## **MUSIC:**

Music is a vital part of Westmead Christian Grammar School. Each year the students work hard to prepare and perform a Whole School Musical. The School Choir represents the school throughout the year at different events.



## **HEALTH:**

The NSW Department of Health reminds parents that it is important for every child to be fully immunised before starting school. The school fully supports this encouragement from the Department of Health and requires a full immunisation certificate upon enrolment. Basic First Aid is administered by School Assistants when an injury occurs at school. In all cases where any injury is more than minor, we try to contact parents so further treatment can be arranged.



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## Fee Schedule 2018

<b>Application Fee</b> (non-refundable)	\$40.00
<b>Enrolment Acceptance Fee</b> (non-refundable)	\$400.00
<b>Term Fees First Child</b>	\$1020.00
<b>Term Fees Second Child</b>	\$880.00
<b>Term Fees Third and Subsequent Child/ren</b>	\$720.00
<b>Optional Building Fund</b> (Tax deductible donation)*	

\* In addition to the regular school fees, parents/guardians are encouraged to make Tax Deductible Contributions to the School Building Fund. These contributions are used to maintain and upgrade the school facilities.

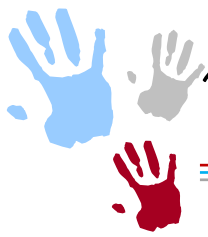
Fees are due and payable within the first seven (7) days of the school term. Notice must be given to the Bursar if this is not adhered to at any time. Fees for ensuing year are set by the School Board each year. This information is available from the School Office.

In the case of withdrawal from Westmead Christian Grammar School, a full term's notice must be provided in writing to the Principal prior to withdrawal. In default of such notice, a full term's fees are payable.

Cheques are to be made payable to Westmead Christian Grammar School. Payments may be made at the School Office, or by mail attention to:

Bursar  
Westmead Christian Grammar School  
2 Bridge Rd,  
Westmead NSW 2145





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## Uniform

All students are required to wear the correct school uniform every day. Parents are responsible for ensuring their child is in correct uniform at all times. If this is not possible a note of explanation must be sent to school. School uniforms can be purchased at MERRYLANDS WEST SCHOOL AND DRAPERY CENTRE, located at 455-457 Merrylands Road, Merrylands (Phone: 9637 4502) and sports uniforms are available from the school.

All clothing items must be clearly labeled. The regular uniform is worn Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Sports Uniform is worn Tuesday and Thursday.

### GIRLS UNIFORM:

Summer:	Dress:	White, blue and maroon check dress
	Socks:	White
	Shoes:	Black leather
		Girls may wear lace up or buckle shoes
		No sandals

Winter:	Pinafore:	Dark grey and maroon check
	Skirt:	Same check – seniors only
	Blouse:	Long sleeve, sky blue with rounded collar
	Tie:	Available at School Office
	Socks:	Light Blue
	Stockings:	Grey stockings may be worn
	Jacket:	Navy fleece jacket with school logo

Sport:	T-shirt:	Navy, Sky and White Polo shirt with School Logo
	Shorts:	Navy with School Name
	Tracksuit:	Navy with school logo
	Swimming:	One piece costume and swim shirt

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## BOYS UNIFORM:

Summer:	Shirt:	Sky blue, short sleeves
	Shorts:	Grey school shorts
	Socks:	Grey with maroon and sky blue trim
	Shoes:	Black leather Boys may wear lace up or velcro shoes No sandals
Winter:	Shirt:	Long sleeves, sky blue
	Trousers:	Grey school trousers
	Tie:	Available at School Office
	Jacket:	Navy fleece with school logo
Sport:	T-shirt:	Navy, Sky and White Polo shirt with School Logo
	Shorts:	Navy with School Name
	Tracksuit:	Navy with school logo
	Swimming:	Board shorts and swimming shirt

## SCHOOL HAT

Students are expected to wear a school hat to school every day all year round. This is to protect them from the damaging effects of the sun. It is essential that hats be labelled. School policy is 'NO HAT, PLAY IN THE SHADE'.



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## Statement of Faith

That the Holy Bible is the inspired Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:19-21)

That God is Triune - Father, Son and Holy Spirit (1 John 5:7; John 1:1,2 & 14)

That man fell through disobedience (Romans 5:12-19)

That Christ died to redeem us (Titus 2:14; Galatians 3:13)

That salvation is through grace (Ephesians 2:8-10; Romans 3:23-24)

That repentance and acceptance are vital (1 John 1:9; John 6:37b)

That new birth must be experienced to become a child of God (John 3:3; 2 Corinthians 5:17)

In a daily Christian life (1 Thessalonians 5:23; Hebrews 6:1)

In water baptism through immersion (Romans 6:4; Acts 2:41)

In the institution of the Lord's supper (1 Corinthians 11:23b-28)

In the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:5,8; 2:4)

In the Spirit-filled life (Romans 12:1-2; Galatians 5:16-25)

In the gifts and fruit of the Holy Spirit (Romans 12:6-8; Galatians 5:22-23; John 15:8)

That we must be moderate in all things (Philippians 4:5)

In Divine healing (James 5:14-16; Matthew 8:17)

That the Second Coming of Christ is both imminent and personal (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

In Church relationship and in civil government (Hebrews 10:24-25; Romans 13:1-3)

In the final judgment (Matthew 13:41-43)

In heaven and hell (1 Corinthians 2:9; John 14:2; Revelation 20:10,15)

In tithes and offerings to support the Lord's work (Malachi 3:13; 2 Corinthians 9:7)

That the Church is responsible to evangelise all nations (Mark 16:15; John 4:35-37)

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## School Vision

To bring people to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ

## School Mission

Westmead Christian Grammar School, an outreach of Essington Church, has as its mission to bring people to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, through the provision of Christ-centred education.

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## School Pledge

I will with God's help obey Him in all things follow Him and be an example to those about me  
I will live pure, speak truth, right wrong and follow my King the Lord Jesus Christ  
I promise to be faithful and loyal to God, His people, my Church and my Country.  
I promise to be a witness for God by sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.  
This is my pledge.