



Come and Visit!

To see all the latest on what we can offer your child, you are invited to come on a guided tour of Padua College.

To book, contact Reception at either campus or email enquiry@padua.melb.catholic.edu.au



20 Year Reunion

The Class of 1987 is celebrating with a reunion on Sunday 10th June.

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EDUCATION

which school & why

One of the most important decisions for parents is "Where do I send my child to school and when should I start to think about it?" Many educationalists believe choosing the school to suit the child. If a child exhibits an academic, creative, sporting or technical bent a parent must research schools that provide and nurture these abilities.

Adam from Woodleigh Senior Campus in Baxter believes sometimes traditional methods may not create independent thinkers and that although Woodleigh provides an academic bent they cultivate the student with an enriching range of programs to encourage their true potential.

Primary schools, the starting focus, provide a neighborhood, an extension of community, fostering and promoting the natural abilities of a child. At the latter part of primary oftentimes some talents and characteristics become apparent.

This is a transitional stage when a parent needs to make it easy for a child to enter the secondary of choice.

Marcelle from Padua College believes year/grade five should be the nurturing 'transitional stage' that parent, child and school become involved in making decisions for future education.

A past student states "if staff and faculty are generally genuinely interested in what is best for the student, it enables an honest and strong relationship to form which more than likely means the student will perform at their own personal best and create great results for everyone.

Sometimes education all comes down to "dollars and cents". What can I afford to do and what will give my child the best I can provide? All we can do as parents is give them the opportunity.

- Cheers, Ginger Hill.

Girl Power

Toorak College puts words into action when they talk about encouraging girls in sport. The School hosts their annual GirlSail and GirlSurf events with the aim to encourage secondary level girls in sport, ongoing competition, knowledge of the environment and having fun.

The Toorak College 2007 GirlSail regatta was held in perfect conditions at Daveys Bay Yacht Club and attracted 66 girls from 16 schools around Melbourne. The seventh GirlSurf event was held amongst awesome waves at Pt Leo and was summed up by one surfer as "Seeing over 100 girls and their boards in the one place was pretty awesome. It was a fantastic day".

The inaugural GirlGolf, held in conjunction with Peninsula Country Golf Club as part of the School's Golf Scholarship Program, was held



in April and was a huge success. 28 players participated and Toorak was represented with 10 girls, as well as members of staff who acted as mentors and playing partners for the groups.

Who knows what else is in store for girls' sport at Toorak College!

Long History for Local School

In 1898 the Sisters of Mercy opened the College of Our Lady of the Sea Boarding School for Young Ladies in Tanti Avenue, Mornington. The Sisters quickly followed with Padua House Preparatory School for Little Boys, which they established in 1899. The name Padua College was assumed in the 1940s, & from these small beginnings, Padua College has grown to a thriving dual-campus Catholic community on the Mornington Peninsula.

The Oakbank Road, Mornington Campus of Padua College was founded in 1975 and officially opened in February 1977. In 1987 the Rosebud Campus was established at Inglewood Crescent. The administration of the College passed from the Sisters of Mercy in 1976 to lay principals, including Mr Bernard McDowell (1977-1983), Mr Peter Gurry (1984-1995) and Mrs Patricia Cowling (1995-2000). The current Principal, Mr Christopher Houlihan, commenced in January 2001.

Padua Now - Padua College is a Catholic, co-educational secondary college, providing for the children of approximately 1265 families from Mt Eliza, across to Western Port and south to Portsea. For over a century, Padua College has consistently offered students the very best education and pastoral care, always remaining true to the Catholic ethos. Students are encouraged to reach their fullest potential, to 'dream great dreams...where if we persevere, we conquer all'.

Chapels at each Campus provide settings for reflection and regular Eucharistic and Liturgical celebrations. Facilities at each campus include beautifully maintained and developed bird hide and wetlands areas, as well as natural bushland are a feature of the school.