

What happens in our

School

Junior

Learn in bright and welcoming classrooms with access to state-of-the-art technology. Students in Years 3-6 have an iPad for their use while banks of laptops and desktops are available for specific tasks.

Experience modern facilities and equipment such as ceiling mounted data projectors, interactive whiteboards, laptop and desktop computers.

Explore the wide open spaces and our beautiful grounds.

Enjoy quality creative play through sand pits, cubbies, age-appropriate play equipment and extensive outdoor areas.

Undertake a wide range of activities in purpose built Junior School facilities including Library, Music, Art and Science rooms, a Performing Arts Centre, STEM and Environmental Centre and a modern Sports Centre & Gymnasium.

Enjoy an extensive Performing Arts Program with a major musical production staged every two years, alternating with a Junior School Music Concert.

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A special environment... based on Christian values

- We see each child as the expression of God's goodness, intelligence and love.
- In our community every child is valued and included. This means everyone can participate in a wide range of activities and events.
- The Golden Rule forms the basis of our students' behaviour. Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.
- Good manners, kindness and consideration of others are expected of everyone.

- Friendships are important. In our community, each child knows and is known by everyone in the Junior School
- Space, tranquillity and creative play are vital elements in every child's day.
- We celebrate the richness and diversity of our students' different cultures and beliefs.
- Together, the school and family work to ensure that Huntingtower Junior School students develop into enthusiastic, inquisitive, happy and resilient learners.

A bright tomorrow starts today...

A play-based program in Pre-Prep provides a stimulating introduction to structured learning. As well as Music and Library with specialist teachers, Pre-Prep and Prep students all take part in the Perceptual Motor Program. PMP develops the skills of fitness, balance, locomotion, hand and eye coordination and eye tracking.

From Prep to Year 6, integrated class programs include English, Geography, History, Mathematics, Science and Technology, Physical Education, Music, Drama and the Visual Arts. From Year 1 onwards, our students are also introduced to the language and culture of Indonesia.

Specialist teachers facilitate our students' love of Music, Science, STEM, Library, Information Communications Technology, Physical Education, the Visual Arts and Indonesian. A skilled Learning Enrichment teacher is available to ensure all students make sound progress throughout the school year.

A wide selection of indoor and outdoor activities is available for children in the HT Aftercare, which operates from 3.30 - 6.00pm each school day. Teaching for Understanding

Learning is fun in the Junior School. Everyone is given frequent opportunities to inquire, discuss, evaluate, reflect and apply learning to new contexts. Harvard University's transformative framework, Harvard University's 'Teaching for

Understanding Framework' (TfU), underpins the curriculum.

...with a life-long love of learning.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Field trips, excursions and an extensive camp program provide our Junior School students with many opportunities to extend their learning in new and exciting environments.

LEADERSHIP

Leadership skills are developed sequentially throughout the year levels: students can apply for membership of the Junior School Council or become House Captains for Music and Sport. Service is encouraged, with students becoming class, library or after-school care monitors.

Cross age activities throughout the year allow our senior students to mentor those in younger levels.

MUSIC

Huntingtower Junior students love their music and have the opportunity to take part in choirs, ensembles and orchestras. The different groups are well-known for their beautiful performances at concerts and competitions, both at school and in the wider community. Individual music tuition is available for many instruments.

SPORT AND FITNESS

A gymnasium is one of the many facilities available for the use of the Junior School. A range of other play spaces are also available, including soft-fall surfaces and grass ovals. PE staff and class teachers take beforeschool training sessions for various fitness activities. and Year 5 and 6 participate in interschool sport. An extensive Aquatic Program helps students learn to swim or train in squads. The Ball Games Carnival is a unique event and one of the many highlights in the Junior School year. The Huntingtower Heat Basketball teams and Summer Sticks Hockey teams play in weekend competitions, providing further sporting opportunities.

EXTRA CURRICULAR

Aerobics, chess, tennis, Technology Club, ELF (Environmental Leaders of the Future) and Tournament of Minds provide added opportunities for student involvement. A range of academic competitions and the Gateways Program may also be accessed by those interested in academic extension.