

WHAT IS PASTORAL CARE?

The aim of the Pastoral Care program is to address the social and emotional wellbeing of all students at MCSS.

Quality pastoral care involves staff, students and the wider school community designing and implementing initiatives that focus on addressing the social and emotional wellbeing of each student. This personalised approach embeds qualities of productive and respectful relationships and a strong sense of community and individual responsibility. It recognises that school communities consist of representatives from all groups in society and that a shared positive culture of inclusivity is essential.

Pastoral care is underpinned by an ethos of care and respect for all, with the ultimate goal to build the capacity of the school community to support each student to grow and develop and engage in meaningful and successful learning. Research indicates that relationships between students and staff are critical factors in the development and maintenance of healthy school cultures and academic achievement. Quality pastoral care is about all school staff enhancing the wellbeing of students through their relationships, interventions and the learning experiences they provide.

PASTORAL CARE PROGRAM

<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer Support • Body Image • Time Management • Organisation • Being safe on the Internet 	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supportive Schools • Resilience • Sustainable Schools • Becoming an Achiever! • The Real Game
<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Pathways • Risk-taking behaviours • Values Education • Relationship Things • Citizenship 	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR 10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Pathways • College Transition • Leadership • Global Citizenship • Party Safe
<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR 11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time Management / Organisational Skills • The Language of Coping • My Rights and the Law • Pathways 	<p style="text-align: center;">YEAR 12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Party Safe • Pathways • World of Work • Life Skills

PASTORAL CARE SUPPORT PROGRAMS

In addition to the whole school Pastoral Care Program offered (see above), the PC Team also offers extra programs for students who might require more specific support with social and emotional learning. These include:

- MCSS Choppers
- Circus
- Young Carers'
- Guys' Group
- PCYC
- Young Women's Group
- Painting Program
- Anger Management

The Pastoral Care Coordinator also runs a variety of Leadership and Citizenship Programs and Projects throughout the year, which aims to develop confidence in our young school leaders to produce more civic-minded citizens.