

# Principal's Welcome

LEARN THE WESTALL WAY



*"The College motto of integrity and service is reflected in all aspects of school life"*

A relentless focus on student outcomes and the learning environment is paramount to allow students to achieve their best. Teachers, parents and the community are a critical component in achieving student success.

There is significant research that shows the more involved parents and the local community are with a school, the more successful student outcomes will be. A calm, orderly environment, consistent high expectations, and, a focus on continuous improvement are critical factors.

At Westall Secondary College, excellent teaching and education support staff, work collaboratively in dedicated teams to plan and facilitate a teaching and learning program that meets the needs of all students.

We welcome your enquiries and invite you to contact us (details on back page) to organise a personal tour of our College and to hear about plans for our exciting future development.

- **Tristan Lanarus**

## College Values

- Care for yourself - Personal worth
- Care for others - Respect & courteous relationships
- Care for your school - Respect your environment
- Care for your learning - Strive for excellence

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STUDENT ARTWORK ON COVER:

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## Aim High

Aim High is a selective extension program which is offered in all subjects. Students are challenged through high order thinking and critical inquiry within an advanced curriculum, which ensures they are learning at their optimum level.

## Personalised Learning

We meet the needs of students by ensuring the learning is at the appropriate level for every student in every subject. Students are engaged in literacy and numeracy in a challenging manner to ensure that they are in their 'wobble zone' - not too easy and not too hard.

## Literacy

Literacy is the number one focus of our College. We believe that ALL students should reach their optimum level of literacy by Year 10 so that they will be well prepared for their desired pathway, be it VCE, VCAL and eventually the workforce. Our explicit, targeted teaching of key literacy skills across all subjects enable our students to grasp concepts and ideas more successfully.

## Numeracy and STEM

Numeracy is our other major building block for learning. We have trained STEM staff, a partnership with Deakin University and a new STEM program available at all year levels.

## iCreate

iCreate is an elective program for all students in years 7-12 where, on Wednesdays, students have the opportunity to follow their passion and undertake a project-based elective program.

As the classes are made up with students from a range of age groups, it is a great opportunity for students to integrate more fully into the Westall Learning Community.



Aviation



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Taekwondo



Singing, Dance & Drama



Outdoor Education



Sport



Visual Arts



Kidpreneur



STEM



Construction & Technology



Westall Cafe



Study Centre



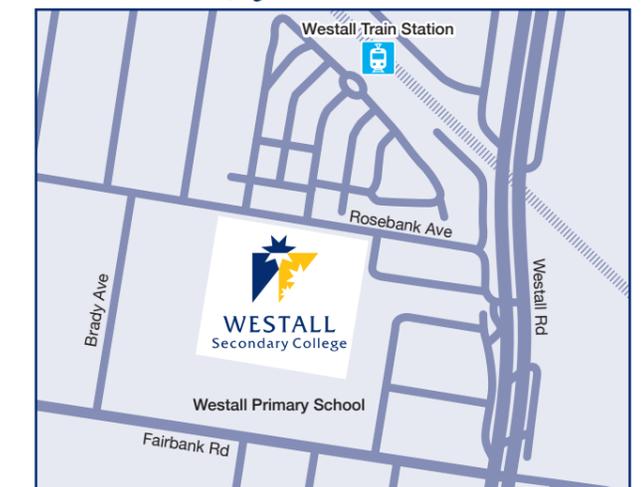
## International Program

Westall Secondary College has a well-established International Program, recruiting students from China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Korea, Japan, Saudi Arabia and India, whereby students complete their secondary education in Australia. With globalisation now the reality for the current generation, learning about other cultures and interacting with people from across the world is paramount and the Westall International Program affords our local students the holistic education needed for success in the workforce.

## Westall English Language Centre

The Westall English Language Centre (WELC) is a Government funded facility to provide intensive English as an Additional Language preparation for all newly arrived students. WELC caters for students who have arrived in Australia as refugees, migrants, or are full-fee-paying overseas students. Most students are eligible to participate in the 20-week intensive program prior to transitioning to a mainstream educational setting. Although the focus is on survival English and language preparation for the mainstream classroom, additional activities and learning in the areas of personal development, are organised. Regular incursions and excursions are also undertaken exposing newly arrived students to Australian life and culture.

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