

Overview of Primary School

Introduction

Our students' schooling journey begins here! From the first day of Foundation until the end of Year 6, experiences in Primary School play a formative role in a student's formal schooling journey. In the early years from Foundation to Year 3, purposeful learning activities ignite curiosity, harness creativity and inspire a passion for life-long learning. Guided by our supportive and nurturing teachers, our students develop self-confidence as well as a sense of self-mastery and independence.

As our students enter Year 3 and beyond, they have an emerging sense of independence and are ready to explore and understand the world around them. Heightened curiosity creates a deeply inquisitive learner; problem-solving creates opportunities for goal-oriented learning both within and outside the classroom. With an increasing capacity to view the world from the perspective of others, students explore different opinions and develop more complex conceptual and cognitive skills. Social skills become a means to more meaningful friendships as students make more conscious choices to develop personal interests and passions.

Each year, parents entrust us with their children's care and development; we are honoured to watch them flourish as the years unfold.



Our Approach

Our inquiry-based curriculum enables our students to explore age-appropriate concepts from many different perspectives. In the early primary school years, we provide wonderful exploratory activities through a play-based approach, encouraging students to be empathetic and thoughtful learners. We also empower children to make values-based decisions which are aligned to our Islamic faith, while creating a positive and supportive learning culture built on trust, compassion and accountability for self, others and the environment.

As our students mature, the focus is shifted to one of growth and personal accountability. Students are encouraged to ask questions and develop the skills to answer them. Independent and group learning experiences provide opportunities for students to identify their own strengths and harness the strengths of others to accomplish common goals. Individualised and scaffolded learning experiences present new challenges for students to develop a sense of mastery and confidence.

Our Curriculum

Strong literacy and numeracy skills established during the critical early years allow students to explore other areas of the curriculum with confidence. As they enter the higher primary levels, we continue to build these skills while deepening their understanding of other domains such as Science, Humanities, Health and Physical Education, Art and Technology.

Regular Qur'an, Islamic studies and Arabic classes throughout their primary school years also form a comprehensive curriculum that infuses Islamic content and concepts as part of the Victorian Curriculum.





Extra-curricular activities and enrichment programs complement the teaching and learning in our school. Technology is embraced to increase student engagement and enhance teaching and learning experiences. Students also have the opportunity to take on formal leadership roles within the College and engage with the local community. All students explore concepts of self-leadership and positive social interactions through the Leader in Me Program. Extra-curricular activities such as sporting events and overnight camps provide an avenue for independence and social connections to be explored to their fullest.

Students establish dhuhr prayer together on a daily basis, and jummah is held each Friday. Our daily morning Hifz program is an additional opportunity for selected students to be supported to memorise the Holy Qur'an

Our Approach to Learning

Minaret College's approach to learning throughout a child's schooling years is rooted in Islamic values and principles. It nurtures the physical, social, emotional, and spiritual wellbeing of each student.

Our primary school programme addresses the diverse needs of children as they journey through life's unique development stages. Our curriculum and approach provide opportunities for all students to explore their interests and develop skills, all within a supportive and respectful learning environment.

