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## Gowrie St Primary School

#### Our Vision:

We are a community that takes strength from who we are: our diversity, our cultures and our histories. We will empower our students to seize life's opportunities and to overcome its challenges.

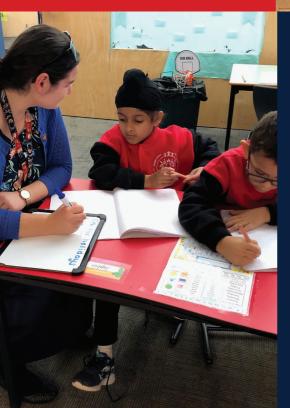
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### DREAMING BIG at Gowrie St

At Gowrie St we want our students to take great strength from who they are so to empower them to seize life's opportunities.

We work with all students to identify their hopes for the future and their strengths. They use these to set really clear goals for the school year. All of this is recorded on their Hopes & Dreams plans.

In Term 1 and 3 we hold DREAM BIG (Nurratj Dungudja) - special days celebrating our community and our students' hopes and dreams. They attend student-led conferences with their families and take them through their plans. They are also special community days, filled with activities, food and performances.





## Supporting excellence in teaching & learning

Fundamental to our students seizing life's opportuniites is excellent teaching & learning.

We are supporting our teachers to implement best practice that propels our students to improved outcomes we have invested heavily in Literacy and Numeracy consultants and additional leadership positions.

We have strong focuses on:

- Instilling a love for reading and writing in our students
- Providing our students with the best possible start through our Foundation Intensive program
- Developing oral language
- Promoting student voice in a rich & engaging curriculum



#### A productive and positive learning environment

We prioritise providing a productive and positive learning environment for our students. Central to this is entrenching school wide positive behaviour supports. This includes a matrix that sets out the school's values and expected behaviours - we then set about explicitly teaching these to students and acknowledging the positive behaviours we see.

Our School's caring values of Care for Yourself, Care for Others, Care for Your Learning and Care for the School underpin all of our work.

Finally, we focus on establishing strong relationships with all of our students - we really care for them!

## Additional support for students & families

Gowrie St has a long history of providing additional supports to students and families - we are commited to them being able to seize life's opportunities no matter the challenges.

We provide a range of learning interventions, including Reading intervention programs at all year levels, our Foundation Intensive, and education support staff in each classroom.

We also provide some outstanding Wellbeing supports, with a large Wellbeing team and our amazing paediatric clinic and play therapy program.





## Harnessing strengths, Seizing opportunities

At Gowrie St we are very proud of our diverse community and the strength this brings.

All of our students learn Yorta Yorta, one of our local Indigenous languages, as our LOTE subject. We are only one of seven schools like this in the state!!

We have lots of community partnerships that bring exciting opportunities into our schools for our students - these include the Lighthouse Project, Rotary, Mission Australia, Smith Family, Hands on Learning and ASHE.

We have created a special role -Opportunities Coordinator - so we can provide as many programs for students as possible.

## Contact Us

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Please contact us at any time to organise a tour of our great school.

