



ANNUAL REPORT

2024

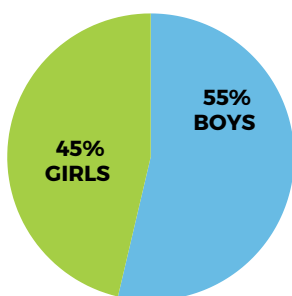
EXPERIENCE THE FRESHWATER
DIFFERENCE

About us

Freshwater Christian College is a leading co-educational independent Christian College educating learners from Preparatory to Year 12.

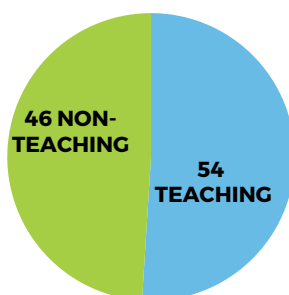
The College is dedicated to seeing all students flourish relative to their God-given potential. Our curriculum and accompanying programs are designed to address the holistic needs of all students, appropriate to their developmental stage and learning style.

We are a member of Associated Christian Schools, Independent Schools Queensland, and Christian Schools Australia.



7% INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

TOTAL ENROLMENTS AS AT
AUGUST 2024 CENSUS = 542



29 MALE, 71 FEMALE

58 FULL-TIME, 42 PART-TIME

< 5% INDIGENOUS STAFF

QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS

22% MASTERS DEGREE
24% BACHELOR HONOURS | GRAD CERT | GRAD DIP
54% BACHELOR DEGREE



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Principal's Message

As we wrap up another successful year at Freshwater, it is pertinent to pause and celebrate the growth and maturity of our College in 2024.

Our Three Sectors (Kindy, Primary, and Secondary)

We celebrated record student numbers in our Secondary school this year, with more families choosing Freshwater to support and guide their secondary students than ever before. This has led us to introduce new subjects, such as Psychology and Environmental Science to continue to challenge and add depth to our students' learning.

In our Primary school, we enjoyed the newly renovated G block classrooms, as our Year 4 classes moved into their new learning spaces, complete with an expansive deck and an almost complete botanical mural (courtesy of our Senior Art students).

Our Kindy has continued to flourish, with a stronger connection to our College through events and celebrations. This intentional flow and transition have allowed our College to effectively support students as they move from Kindy to Primary.

Academic Success

Our College has continued to invest in academic excellence, with our students producing impressive academic results. Our motivated Year 12 cohort is on track to produce outstanding results, with several students predicted to achieve ATAR's in the high 90s.

In the Primary school, we have spent the year partnering with Independent Schools Queensland on a year-long project, looking at how we innovate in teaching the science of reading.

From 2025, we are pleased to introduce a new structured phonics program to Prep (and eventually Grade 1-2) that uses a strong evidence base to support reading and writing. We also expanded our mathematics enrichment classes in Secondary as large numbers of students dedicated themselves to solving challenging problems set by the Australian Maths Trust.

Beyond the Classroom

In 2024, Freshwater has continued to add value to students' learning through extra and co-curricular programs and camps (the details of which can be found in our Co-Curricular Handbook). We are active in supporting our students to strive for excellence and have been privileged to support a number of students to compete at State and National levels in a variety of sports, music, and creative arts. A big thank you to our wonderful staff who have dedicated their time and passion to coaching, supporting, and inspiring our students in these areas, as well as in our Personal Growth Program (PGP). I am already looking forward to our annual rafting on Freshwater Creek with our Year 7s in 2025.

Looking Ahead

As we start to plan for 2025, it is timely to remember and reflect on how special our College is; surrounded by 40 acres of beautiful green spaces, with a dedicated staff team, and supportive parent community, it is simply a joy to be serving at FCC.



Matthew Scott | Principal

MEd, GDip Psych, GCert (IBPYP),
BEd, MBSAT

Funding

Funding information may be found at
<http://www.myschool.edu.au/>

Social Climate

- Wellbeing programs for students and staff
- Parent Volunteer Program
- Parent Workshops
- Ongoing opportunities to give feedback

Further information may be found at www.fcc.qld.edu.au or <https://freshwatercc.schoolzineplus.com/schoolnews/archive>

NAPLAN

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Student Attendance

The average student attendance rate for the whole school in 2024 is 90%.

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Non Attendance

The College has comprehensive procedures to manage non-attendance. Parents of absent students are required to contact the College on the morning of the absence to advise the reason why their child is not at school. Parents will be contacted by SMS if they fail to contact the College. Students who are continually absent are counselled.



Year 12 Outcomes

48 students were awarded a Senior Education Profile (SEP)

47 students were awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)

1 student was awarded a Senior Statement only

4 students completed a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship (SAT)

34 students awarded one or more VET qualifications:

- 2 students were awarded a Certificate I
- 28 students were awarded a Certificate II
- 23 students were awarded a Certificate III



Post-school destination

At the time of publishing this Annual Report, the results of the 2024 post-school destinations survey, and the *Next Steps - Student Destination* report for the school were unavailable. Information about these post-school destinations of our students will be uploaded to the school's website in September after the release of the information.