



Nagle College
Bairnsdale



WHY CHOOSE NAGLE COLLEGE?

We are all about the growth of your child – academically, emotionally and socially. We will work in partnership with you to provide a safe and caring environment in which your child can grow into a resilient, respectful and compassionate individual who has achieved to the best of their abilities.

Growth

We will be here to support you and your child through the many changes, challenges and achievements that will be a constant part of secondary school life. Our Pastoral Care program provides a platform from which your child can grow to become a well-adjusted, confident and contributing member of their wider community.

Partnership

Educating your child is a shared responsibility between you, your child and our staff. This educational partnership is vital in ensuring your child's needs are met and nurtured during their six year journey through secondary school. We will value our relationship with you and work to provide a positive, supportive environment for your child to reach their full potential.

Environment

Our ongoing commitment to provide learning spaces that meet the changing needs of our students has resulted in a number of new specialist learning areas. Your child will learn and grow in our unique environment that overlooks the Mitchell River valley, providing multiple opportunities to explore and experience an understanding of and a respect for their natural world.

“ Always
remember
that
education
is a matter
of the heart. ”

– St John Bosco



For more than sixty years Nagle College has provided for the learning needs of young people in East Gippsland. The tradition of Catholic education commenced though the dedicated work of the Presentation Sisters. This has been followed by lay staff and the involvement of the Salesian Order for a period of over twenty years. As a result of the Salesian involvement the College follows the charism of St John Bosco with the influence of the heritage of Nano Nagle.

We offer a holistic Catholic education in a contemporary setting providing modern facilities, supported by dedicated staff using current methodologies to promote the best possible learning opportunities. The spacious grounds, ready access to technology and the commitment to provide a safe environment as well as engaging classrooms are all ingredients for successful outcomes. Our students come to school to work and their work is learning.

Our students receive a Catholic education which provides them with an experience of Catholic celebrations, traditions and rituals and an encouragement to live out the Gospel values with a commitment to be socially active in their communities. They are called to be people of hope; a hope demonstrated through the relationships experienced with staff and the educational partnerships we form with parents.

We have tremendous confidence in the young people of Nagle College. You are encouraged to consider the secondary education we offer in Bairnsdale for the East Gippsland region and invite you to visit us and see for yourself what we have to offer.

Neville Powles, Principal

At Nagle College, your child can

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in the future of the young
people of Nagle College.”

– Mr Neville Powles, Principal

shine with relationships

Our relationship with your family usually begins through your primary school. All schools in the East Gippsland region are included in every aspect of our Transition timeline and are invited to take part in all of the activities we offer. Your child is able to participate in:

- **Fun4Fours** – held each year in October, provides Year 4 students with an informal and fun introduction to the College environment. Conducted by the Principal and our Year 10 Outdoor Education Students, your child will take part in physical and mental challenges within the College grounds.
- **Primary School Visits** – we endeavour to visit every school in East Gippsland to speak to Year 5 and 6 students about transition to secondary school. We encourage them to take advantage of all the opportunities provided by schools to assist in making an informed choice for their secondary education.
- **Open Night** – held in March each year, is a great introduction to the curriculum, facilities and environment at Nagle College. We welcome the whole family to this educational and informative evening.
- **Expo Visits** – are aimed at Year 5 and 6 students and provide classroom experiences during a half-day at Nagle College. We invite all schools to take part in the Expo Visits which happen early in Term 2 each year.
- **Talk and Walk Tours** – our Year 9 Ambassadors conduct these morning tours which are offered throughout the year. Tours provide you with the opportunity to speak to staff and students and experience the diversity of our curriculum in action.



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Our world is evolving quickly. At Nagle we are challenged with teaching and preparing students for jobs that do not yet exist.
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— Mr Neville Powles, Principal

shine with learning

At Nagle College your child will be encouraged to develop a life-long passion for learning. We offer a broad and comprehensive curriculum that seeks to engage every student with a focus on the ‘whole student’. Our learning framework endeavours to support students to become “Motivated and reflective learners who show ownership and take action.”

- The Year 7 and 8 curriculum provides your child with experiences across all Learning Areas. Your child will undertake a Language, three strands of Technology, the Sciences, Mathematics, the Arts, Physical Education and Core. Our Core Program is integrated learning that includes English, Religious Education and Humanities. ICT is integrated across all learning areas from Year 7.
- Mixed ability classes ensure that your child has the opportunity to reach their potential through a curriculum that is sufficiently differentiated to cater to individual needs. Additional learning support (offered through our SEED program), as well as advanced programs to challenge and extend students, provide the resources to support your child’s learning.
- A wide selection of elective subjects offered at Year 9 and 10 allows your child to specialise in particular areas of interest and expertise. Your child will be encouraged to develop their talents and gifts whilst ensuring diversity and scope with these choices.
- An extensive range of VCE subjects, as well as the VCAL and VET Programs, ensures that your child’s individual passion, abilities and pathway is catered for within the Learning Framework.



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We realise the importance
of developing a sense of self-
esteem and individuality in our
students, as well as nurturing
their spiritual awareness.”

— Mrs Mary-Lou Towns, Religious Education Coordinator

shine with faith

Religious Education at Nagle College is designed to give your child an understanding of the beliefs, values, teachings, symbols and traditions of the Catholic Church. Emphasis is also placed on gaining an appreciation of all religions and an awareness of social justice issues in our contemporary world.



Religious Education is part of the curriculum for all year levels. At senior level there are options to choose Religious Education, Liturgical Music or the YME (Youth Ministry Experience).



Retreats are one of the most enjoyed and anticipated aspects of the Religious Education program. Retreats will allow your child to reflect on and discuss topics such as respect, gratitude and God in a relevant and relatable way.



Involvement in community projects such as Meals on Wheels, Homeless Sleepout and Project Compassion will provide your child with opportunities to explore and understand the ethos of charity, compassion, caring and community service.



“ Pastoral class gave me the opportunity to bond with my pastoral teacher and students across all year levels. We really were like a family. ”

- Sarah Collier, Chisholm, Class of 2009



AVILA

I came, I saw, I conquered



BOSCO

As one we have no fear



CHISHOLM

With confidence



MACKILLOP

Together as one



NEWMAN

Second to none



POLDING

Lift up your hearts



XAVIER

Seize the day

shine within a House

The House System at Nagle College provides pastoral care for your child within a 'family unit'. The focus of the House System is the development and nurturing of positive relationships between all members of the Nagle community, to engender mutual respect and a genuine concern for each other.

When your child enrolls at Nagle College, he/she will be placed into one of our seven Houses. Where there is already a connection to a House through an older sibling or a parent then we hope to maintain that connection. New families are placed into a House based on numbers, genders, level and abilities to ensure an even spread across all Houses.

Inter-House events are held throughout the year, encouraging participation to compete for the Academic, Sport, Community and Creative Arts Shields and for the overall Champion House Shield awarded at the end of each year.

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We aim to create an environment which is supportive, conducive to worthwhile learning, enhances a sense of belonging and cares for the well-being of all students and staff.

— Mrs Sharon Buurman, Deputy Principal — Pastoral

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shine with wellbeing

Within each House we have six Pastoral Groups, which are comprised of students from Year 7 to Year 12 (vertically streamed). Your child's Pastoral Group will become their 'at school family' and will provide a supportive environment as they continue their secondary education journey.

Your child's Pastoral Teacher is charged with a special duty of care and is the first 'port of call' for your contact on any matter. They are also your child's 'go to person' for assistance or advice.

Each House provides a 'buddy' system where senior students have responsibility for the younger ones in their Pastoral Class. However all students share the responsibility of looking out for new students to the school.

Pastoral happens at the start of every day, allowing staff and students to share morning prayer, relay important information, and to engage in House activities during Wednesday's extended Pastoral period.





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Interest in Music has grown significantly with nearly 40% of junior students opting to play an instrument – many for the first time.

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– Mr Andrew Long, Music Director

shine with engagement

Engaging in College activities – both curricular and extra-curricular - gives your child the opportunity to participate in activities they enjoy (or to try something new), to forge new friendships and to strengthen skills such as perseverance, commitment and a love of learning.

At Nagle College we offer many opportunities for your child to engage in events, activities and experiences out of the classroom. These include, but are not limited to:

- **Music:** learning to play an instrument allows your child to interact in a friendly, supportive environment with staff and fellow musicians across all year levels.
- **Language:** studying a language at Nagle College - Italian or Japanese – opens up a world of possibilities. Your child will be able to participate in competitions, cultural and international experiences.

- **Snow Camps:** are offered to students from all year levels and cater for all abilities for both skiing and snowboarding. Snow camps are held in the July school holidays at Mt Hotham.

- **Sports:** opportunities abound with students able to compete at varying levels through our involvement in the School Sport Victoria program. From swimming to shooting, surfing to golf, tennis to cross country and everything in between, your child's sporting interests are fully catered for through our extensive sports programs.

- **Competitions:** many learning areas will provide your child with competition options to challenge, extend and complement their curriculum experiences.

- **World Challenge** has been operating since 1985 as an expedition industry for schools. Whether it's about finding perspective, overcoming obstacles or gaining confidence, World Challenge builds the life skills young people need to live a life of courage, kindness and adventure. World Challenge is held every two years and is offered to Year 10 students.



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**Nagle College is the only school
in East Gippsland to offer
Environmental Science at
VCE level.**
”
— Mrs Andrea Savage, Science Teacher

shine within our environment

Situated on 40 hectares (100 acres) adjacent to the Mitchell River, our campus enables students to actively engage in stewardship activities that help care for and protect our indigenous flora and fauna.



Our commitment to care for the environment has allowed our students to benefit from the relationships we have fostered with a number of environmental groups, such as the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority, FishCare and Landcare.



Strategic long-term planning ensures our facilities continue to remain state of the art, equipping your child with the functional resources they need to achieve and excel in all learning areas.



Wide open vistas, extensive shading, seating and dedicated play areas provide comfortable spaces for students to gather and socialise in a safe environment.

“Being appointed the role of House Captain has provided new and exciting opportunities for me to develop as a person.”

— Jack Simmons, Bosco's 2019 Junior House Captain



shine with leadership

Leadership at Nagle College promotes the ideal of service to others. There is an expectation that all student leaders will lead by example, seeking to serve others and will promote community service to their school, local and wider communities.

Formal Leadership roles are offered at all year levels:

House Oratory Representatives: These positions are open for Year 7 and Year 8 students within the Houses, with two students being elected at each year level.

Junior House Captains: Each House will elect two Year 9 House Captains, who support the House Leader and Senior House Captains. These students also become our Nagle Ambassadors who conduct our Talk and Walk Tours.

Senior House Captains: Students from Year 10 to 12 can apply for these roles within their House. Generally two or three students are elected as the Senior House Captains, who support the House Leader.

Student Leadership Action Team: Year 12 students are able to apply for the various roles within the SLAT. This team works under the direction of the Deputy Principal, Pastoral and have an active role in the organisation of school events, such as the College Assemblies, Battle of the Minds and sports carnivals.

College Captains and Vice Captains: Year 12 students fill these four positions – one male and one female College Captain, supported by one male and one female Vice Captain. These positions are part of the Student Leadership Action Team.





Vision Statement

“I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” –John 10:10

Mission Statement

So that all members of the Nagle College community can live out the College motto “Let Your Light Shine”, we will:

- Develop a safe, nurturing and hope-filled community based on Christ’s message of love, justice and service;
- Provide innovative, inclusive and engaging educational pathways that enable students to develop their potential to become lifelong learners in the 21st century;
- Build a culture that promotes and accepts personal excellence;
- Be people of dignity, respect, compassion, resilience and unconditional love;
- Be conscientious stewards of the environment;
- Continue to build sustainable relationships with faith communities, other educational institutions, and community organisations and businesses;
- Create leadership opportunities and provide formation for all members of the College Community;
- Celebrate the traditions and rituals of our Catholic Story.

We are a faith filled learning community, striving for excellence.

Included with this Prospectus are:

- Application for Enrolment
- Scholarship Information
- School Fees
- Curriculum Outline
- Student Wellbeing Booklet

For any other information on Enrolments, please visit our website:
www.nagle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/info.



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