



Catherine McAuley
Catholic College
MEDOWIE

Exploring Our Houses

The foundation of learning and wellbeing, a place of belonging and a 'school within a school', a student's *home*.

College Character Circle



Welcome to Worimi Land

UNCLE NEVILLE LILLY. MARCH 4, 2020

The overwhelming evidence depicting thousands of years of occupation of the Worimi is still clearly visible. Some ceremonial and meeting grounds, burial sites, artefacts and artwork can still be seen. We, the Worimi continue to walk on this land today.

We are part of this great land that defines us as a people, including our languages, and our stories, which are the foundation of our culture.

We the Worimi are spiritually connected to this land that has sustained our people for hundreds of generations.

Our desire is to care for the land and for the environment. This is our commitment to our forefathers and to future generations. On behalf of my people, I welcome you all to our God-given country. I trust that our journey together, both now and into the future will continue to be pleasant and productive.

Welcome everyone – enjoy the beautiful land of the Worimi.

Our Catholic Tradition our Worimi Connection

CMCC HOUSE STRUCTURE

United in Mercy, Catherine McAuley Catholic College seeks to honour and acknowledge our Catholic tradition and the Worimi people, the traditional custodians of the land where we gather.

Pope Francis tells us *“Culture is more than what we have inherited from the past; it is also, and above all, a living, dynamic and participatory present reality, which cannot be excluded as we rethink the relationship between human beings and the environment.”*

Our culture is shaped by our dual traditions, our Catholic faith and Mercy values and the identity and story of the Worimi people. Embracing the pride the Worimi people have for their culture, we pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Exploring Our Houses



Wati

DISCOVERY

Stage 4

Year 7 & Year 8



Watha

ENDEAVOUR

Stage 5

Year 9 & Year 10



Bathu

HORIZONS

Stage 6

Year 11 & Year 12

Wati Discovery House

OUR VISUAL IDENTITY



Wati, an indigenous word for trees, links Wati Discovery House to our local environment and our home, Medowie – the place of tall trees.

The house colour of green reflects the Irish heritage of Catherine McAuley and the green countryside where our community rests.

The symbol of the tree forges connection with the traditional meaning of *Medowie* and honours the “Fishing Tree” – important to the local Worimi people who used the tree to look in the water for fish and direct canoes. These canoes were commonly made from the stringybark tree.

In colour psychology green represents nurturing, growth and thriving.



Wati Discovery House

YEAR 7 & YEAR 8



Wati Discovery House learners give life to and inspire our shared Mercy Values of hospitality, courage, compassion and faith in action. Learners will be challenged to take pride in the creation and presentation of high-quality work emerging from our six Deep Learning Global Competencies, while developing the non-negotiable skills of literacy and numeracy and social and emotional wellbeing.

Learners will be presented with complex questions, design thinking activities and authentic problems relevant in the real world. They will apply their skills and knowledge to approach problems in creative, joy-filled and collaborative ways.

As students grow in confidence and refine the skill of reflection, they are challenged with the gradual transference of responsibility for their own learning. The ultimate aspiration of Wati Discovery House is to have students develop a deeper understanding of themselves and their faith, along with their purpose as a learner.

Watha Endeavour House

OUR VISUAL IDENTITY



Watha, an indigenous word for fire, represents the pursuit of passions that underpin Watha Endeavour House students and is also a symbol of strength and force of the Holy Spirit.

Traditional Worimi people would use fire to shape the land, for new growth and to hunt, supporting their people.

The colour Ochre Orange represents not only the flame of passion within our students but also the vivid red clay and earth where our college rests.

In colour psychology ochre orange represents enthusiasm, warmth, energy and passion.



Watha Endeavour House

YEAR 9 & YEAR 10



Our young people are challenged to deepen their understanding of their passions and talents, sharpening their focus on their future pathways. They have beyond campus opportunities and engagement with subject matter experts to further pursue passions and deepen learning.

They experience greater flexibility in their learning choices, tailoring a course program meeting their needs and interests. Watha Endeavour House students are called to approach life with a self-assured, creative, entrepreneurial mindset.

Our young people are challenged to be active global citizens who make a positive difference through personal contribution to and stewardship of the community.

These young people meet with Learning Advisors to review their progress and set directions and pathways that align with their future aspirations.

Watha Endeavour House citizens are people with honourable characters who humbly seek growth through prayerful, considered reflection and collaboration.

Bathu Horizons House

OUR VISUAL IDENTITY



Bathu, an indigenous word for water, links Bathu Horizons House to the unique Worimi land features of watercourses, wetlands, lakes, bays and ocean. In our Catholic tradition water is a symbol of the sacrament of Baptism.

Along with the symbol of water the colour blue links Bathu Horizons house with the waterhole, where stories are passed down from generation to generation.

Bathu Horizons students are the most senior members of the student community. They are custodians of our shared culture and pass these traditions to our future leaders.

In colour psychology blue represents intelligence and calm.



Bathu Horizons House

YEAR 11 & YEAR 12



Bathu Horizons House young adults work towards optimising their post school opportunities by deeply engaging with their carefully constructed program of study. Students are courageous and assessment ready with a strong foundation for personal success in either academic and/or vocational pathways.

Our young adults deepen their understanding of their faith through engaging in the College retreat and formation experiences. They have a compassionate and hospitable approach to their community influenced by a Catholic worldview.

Bathu Horizons graduates are life and career ready, departing the College as empowered, confident, agile and reflective citizens who thrive in a globally connected, dynamic world.

Building Belonging

CMCC HOUSE STRUCTURE

Welcoming and safe space. Our Houses will be alive with a culture of hospitality and welcome.

House meetings. A time where achievement is celebrated, fun and joy are experienced, and gifts shared.

Authentic meaningful relationships. Comradery is forged and House staff establish quality relationships with students.

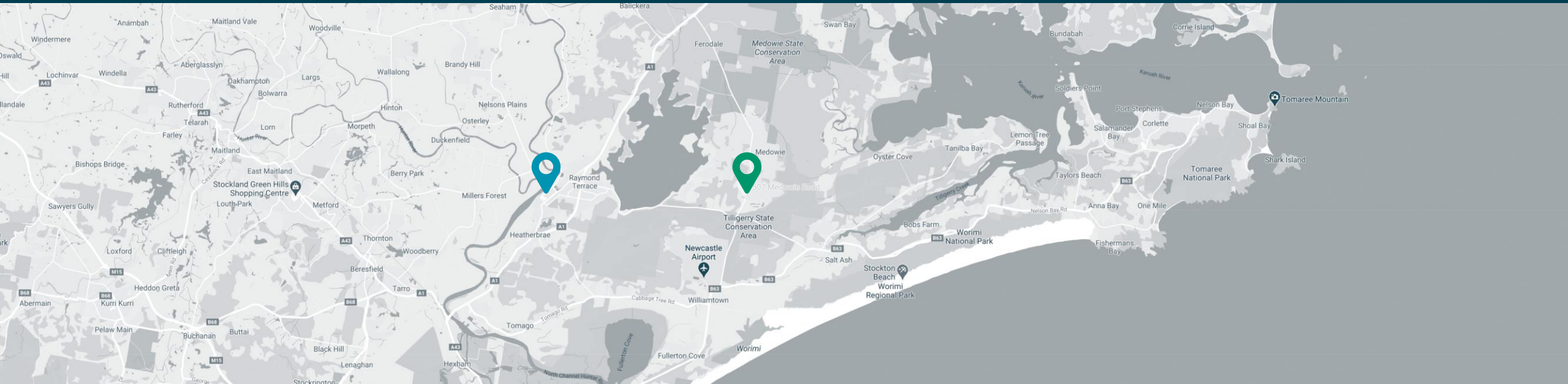
Student engagement and leadership. Student-led, focused and centered activities allow freedom and the opportunity for young people to demonstrate their growing maturity and take leadership of their Houses.

Rites of passages. The College and House community walk the journey of adolescents with each child.

Explicit links to Worimi & our shared land. Foster an authentic connection with our traditional owners of this land.

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Enrolment

We are an inclusive community with enrolment open to all seeking a Catholic education for their children.

The formal enrolment period begins in Catholic Schools Week each year. General applications for enrolment are considered year-round.

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