



TARA
Anglican School for Girls



HISTORY AND TRADITION

Tara Anglican School for Girls is the best place for girls to be. Tara offers a nurturing, engaging and inspiring learning community for Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12 girls, providing a wide range of opportunities in academic, cultural, and sporting experiences.

When you come into Tara you join a community with a rich heritage of more than 115 years of girls' education, with a bright and exciting future. Tara has a strong and proud tradition as a Christian learning community since it was established in 1897. At Tara the integration of learning, faith, and practice in every aspect of the curriculum forms a complete education where girls realise their potential but where she underpins the school's educational philosophy and student values of affirmation, service to others, opportunity and responsibility.

Tara is spread over 12 hectares of beautiful grounds in Sydney, Australia and has state-of-the-art facilities. Yet Tara is small enough that each girl is known, valued, and feels a strong sense of community.

GIRLS' EDUCATION

At Tara we encourage our girls to pursue excellence in all aspects of life, build resilience and lead successful and happy lives.

As a leader in girls' education our students see strong female role models and have a greater sense of connectedness in the school. Girls are encouraged to take on leadership roles as Head Girl, in the school orchestra, sporting field, and school clubs. Independent research consistently demonstrates that girls in girls' only school perform better, including personal development and significantly stronger academic results than any other group in Australia. Teachers match their teaching to the way girls learn. This is backed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER).

BOARDING COMMUNITY

Boarding at Tara provides a secure and stimulating environment with supportive and caring staff. Tara offers full time and short term boarding for up to 58 girls from Years 5 to 12. Boarders at Tara come from a wide range of backgrounds, including country properties, towns, outer suburbs of Sydney, and overseas. Boarding at our excellent facilities allows our students to gain independence, have access to specialist tutors during evening study time, and gives girls more confidence. Strong friendships are nurtured between the girls.

Junior boarders have spacious dormitories which are carefully designed for privacy. Senior boarders in Years 11-12 have individual rooms. The Director of Boarding has overall responsibility for the boarding environment and is assisted by a team of staff and a Registered Nurse to ensure the boarding students' health needs are met. Boarders participate in every aspect of life at Tara, enjoy the use of many school facilities at Tara, including the library, performing arts and sporting areas. A vibrant and fun weekend program is offered for boarders with sports, films, social events and trips to the beach. The boarding experience enables girls to make an easy transition to city living and tertiary study.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENQUIRIES OR ENROLMENTS

Please contact our Director of International Enrolments at **AUSTRALIAN BOARDING SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL (ABSII)** - APPOINTED BY TARA ANGLICAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
E: enrol@australianboardingschools.com.au P: +61 3 62812300

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Tara is one of the leading schools in the country. We are led by educational excellence, shown through independent school rankings and high academic results across the school, and in the students' achievements in their course of choice for tertiary study. From the boardrooms of blue chip companies to the film industry and across the spectrum of public life, Tara girls excel with so many rising to the top of their chosen fields. Tara has committed resources, offers a large variety of subjects, and an excellent pre-tertiary program with links to industry and universities here and abroad.

Across Tara differentiated programs are put in place to provide each student the maximum opportunity to reach their potential. More information is available on www.tara.nsw.edu.au.

Tara offers a Senior Learning Centre and study group, an after school program that offers small group and private tutoring to complete homework and assessments. Through our student development plan we offer a mentoring program where girls learn to be independent, identify goals and responsibilities in these, and give them control over how they prepare for their classes.

Tara is a leader in the use of technology and we continue to explore new mediums to support our girls in their development. This is extremely important for learning in the current inter-connected world where knowledge is constantly developing.

OPPORTUNITIES

Tara focuses on offering an all-round education. Daily life at Tara is busy and exciting and there are plenty of opportunities in and out of the classroom. 23 sports are played at Tara and there are musical, dance and theatre groups, debating and public speaking, specific interest and social clubs to contribute to well-rounded educations.

Tara has been selected by Oxford University as the only Australian school to take part in a worldwide astronomy and physics research program undertaken by the students. As part of the program we have an observatory with the largest telescope of its kind in Australia.

To cater for overseas students' needs Tara provides a high level of support with a Coordinator, school orientation programs, and assistance with resettlement in Australia.

QUICK FACTS

PRINCIPAL	Mrs Susan Middlebrook, MEd (Admin) BEc Dip Ed MACE MACEL
Total Enrolments	800
Number of Boarders	58
International Students	3%
Teachers to Students	1:9
CRICOS Provider No.	02320A