

THE SETTING

Esperance Anglican Community School (EACS) opened in January 2008, as the ninth school of the Anglican Schools Commission, to provide an alternative private option for high-school education in the remote and rural shire of Esperance. There was a strongly held belief - in both the Shire and within the Anglican Schools Commission - that there was a need for such an educational enterprise. Evidence showed there was a supportive population for an Independent School, based on the traditions of the Anglican Church.

After a relatively modest beginning the School has grown rapidly over the last three years. A balanced and realistic ten-year planning process has ensured that facilities have kept pace with the School's growth and it is now equipped with a range of general and specialist learning areas. There are spacious and attractive grounds with ovals, tennis courts and a basketball/netball court.

The curriculum is intentionally broad and balanced with a range of academic and vocational courses. The curriculum offerings will allow Year 12 students to graduate with a WACE Diploma before they proceed on to university, further training or apprenticeships.

Supporting the curriculum is a strong system of pastoral care founded firmly in the Christian Faith and based on the well-tried house system. This ensures there is a strong sense of community bringing together students, staff, parents, Council members and the local community in a powerful alliance which nurtures the young people within it and supports the School in its endeavours. The local community values the School, takes pride in its initial achievements and wishes to see it grow and develop.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF AN ANGLICAN EDUCATION

The core purpose of the Anglican Schools Commission (Inc.) is to establish and support low-fee Anglican systemic schools which provide a high-quality, inclusive, caring Christian education. The values are:

FAITH	Living by Gospel values
EXCELLENCE	Pursuing high standards in all things
JUSTICE	Demonstrating fairness, compassion and conviction, advocating for the educationally disadvantaged
RESPECT	Respecting self, others and our planet
INTEGRITY	Acting with honesty and openness
DIVERSITY	Promoting social inclusion and celebrating difference

This philosophy provides the strong and secure foundation upon which the mission and goals of Esperance Anglican Community School are built according to our specific needs.