



## **International Baccalaureate**

# **Stradbroke Schools Philosophy**

*Stradbroke Schools exist for children, reflecting and responding to the needs of individuals.*

*We value their experiences, rights and contributions in a shared, secure, supportive, sensitive and success orientated environment.*

*We work in partnership with our schools' community, the Department of Education and Children's Services (DECS) and the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IB) to meet the needs of all students.*

*We give all students the opportunity to develop academically, socially, physically, creatively, spiritually and emotionally to achieve their potential.*

*Our aim is to provide the opportunity and support for our students to become critical compassionate thinkers, lifelong learners and responsible global citizens, who are self sufficient, ambitious and environmentally aware with clear moral convictions.*

*We create an environment in which people feel motivated, valued and supported and where the quality of interaction between the teacher and the student is paramount.*

*Stradbroke Schools develop the individual talents of students and guide them to make connections between the classroom experiences and the realities of the world.*

*Excellence in learning is facilitated by:*

- *a balanced inclusive comprehensive and challenging curriculum with rigorous classroom practice and assessment.*
- *the provisions of professional development for all staff who plan, learn, work and evaluate together.*
- *a culture that supports ongoing, collaborative learning and change.*
- *access to quality resources and facilities.*
- *learning through inquiry.*
- *honest, open and reflective assessment and communication.*
- *active participation and encouragement to take responsibility.*
- *open communication, motivation and trust.*

*A partnership of trust, respect and cooperation between our schools, our parents/families and the wider community provides the best educational opportunities for children.*

*We aim to promote and develop positive well being and health within our community, effective work habits, skills and flexibility to cope with the demands of our ever changing world.*

*At Stradbroke Schools we are passionate lifelong learners who have optimism, fostered through intercultural understanding, knowledge and respect, for a peaceful world.*