

CPS ~ Overview

Churchill Primary School is located in the Latrobe Valley, which is at the heart of the electricity generation in Victoria. The school was opened in 1968 and is situated in the middle of town close to the shopping centre, the pre-school and the local secondary college, liaising closely with these facilities throughout the year. The Gippsland campus of Monash University is within walking distance of the school and we have close connections with the Education faculty, often sharing the use of resources.

The entire school community is committed to the school's aim of providing a safe, happy and caring environment where children share the responsibility for their learning. Last year we were successful in acquiring a new funding package through the Building Education Revolution which has recently seen us lose part of our existing building, soon to be replaced with a new library and learning community facility. It is a very exciting time in the school's history.

Our wide range of facilities include a multi-purpose room, art room, library (with a dedicated learning and language support room attached), an ICT room with over thirty terminals and an outside developmental curriculum area. The school boasts a school community developed Sensory Garden that has great sentimental value to the school as it was constructed a few years ago in memory of a beloved student who sadly passed away. The sensory garden also has a large hot house attached. We also cater for disabled students with ramp access to all areas and specialised toilet facilities.



The Sensory Garden.

The extensive grounds and playing areas include a large oval, two basketball courts and two large play areas with play equipment and newly installed brightly coloured shade sails along with a climbing wall. All of these areas have been designed to be of maximum use to our students.

The school currently has a teaching staff of twenty including the leadership team of the principal and leading teacher. The staffing profile includes five ES's (education support / teaching assistants), a full time Primary Welfare Officer and part time School Chaplain. We also have two part time administration staff including the Business Manager. All teachers are registered with the Victorian Institute of Teaching.

Over time we have incorporated structures to support the development of excellence in teaching practise. Team teaching with experienced and graduate teachers working and learning together through shared planning time and teams of teachers from the same unit working together, are proving to be a valuable way to capitalize on educational opportunities. Our purpose is to guarantee the continuation of greater internal accountability, enthusiasm for teaching and maintain high expectations for and of our students.

Churchill Primary School's aim is to develop adaptable, responsible, positive and innovative members of a global and changing world. We value education and instil this belief in our students as they are our priority.



Children's Art Display.