



ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which St Patrick's College stands, the Wangal clan of the Darug people, and pay respects to their elders; past, present and emerging.

# our identity

St Patrick's College, Strathfield is a Catholic School in the Edmund Rice Tradition.

**Our identity** is founded on Catholic values and the EREA Touchstones of Gospel Spirituality, Liberating Education, Inclusive Community and Justice & Solidarity.

We live this foundation in every facet of school life, including through our liturgical life, justice & service work and formation programs.

We strive to ensure we are a sustainable and just community developing minds and hearts that are "challenged to serve".

This document gives a snapshot of how we live the Identity of the College.




**Justice & Service Work**

- Immersions – Alice Springs & PNG
- Service Learning Program
- Justice Partnerships – Edmund Rice Centre for Justice, SVDP, House of Welcome, Catholic Care, Chalmers Rd School, Lucas Gardens School and more
- Staff and Student Justice Groups including SJAG & FIAT
- Bangawarra Room – Core aspects of Justice – the first Australians, the most recently arrived Australians, inequality and the earth
- Fundraising including Lenten Appeal, Winter Appeal and Christmas Appeal
- Sustainability Team

- Sustainability Gardens
- Recycling and upcycling
- Winter Sleep Out
- Fair Trade & Ethical Purchasing
- Acknowledgement of Country
- Social Justice Twitter Account
- Work & Welcome Program
- Advocacy
- ERA for Change



**Formation Programs**

- Retreats – Student, Staff, Executive, Board
- Reflection Days
- Staff & Student Spirituality Days
- Formation events
- Parent Forums
- Formation Team
- Staff Formation Training
- Edmund's Walk
- Newsletter articles on Faith and Identity
- Religious Education classes
- Contemplation



**Liturgical Life**

- Mass – whole school and every Friday morning
- Various Liturgies including Ash Wednesday, Easter and Christmas
- Rosary
- Prayer groups
- Regular prayer in class, meetings and gatherings
- The Angelus