Learning Vision

Our learning vision comes directly from our mission and vision and outlines the direction that we want to head in our learning.

MISSION

To support Christian families in educating to equip the mind, heart and body of children through Christ-centred curriculum and teaching for service in the world.

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VISION

To enhance excellence in Christ-centred education for students through strong leadership, improved facilities and solid community relationships.

TEACHING FOR SERVICE

Why?

Just as Christ came to serve, we are called to go out and be the hands and feet of Jesus. We want students to be equipped to go out and share the Gospel message.

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

How?

- through building and growing in a school community
- through serving each other
- through wider community service projects
- by celebrating and developing students' gifts
- by developing and encouraging student empathy

COMMUNITY

Why?

We exist as a community of believers and want to be involved in each others' lives. We want to develop close relationships for the purposes of prayer for one another, support, encouragement, and serving alongside one another.



As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another. Proverbs 27:17

How?

- Communication between school and home
- Interclass activities
- Special community events
- Supporting the vision of the school through fundraising and volunteering
- Respecting one another Praying for one another
- Weékly devotionals
- Supporting others through difficult times Working closely with churches and families to support one another in the raising of our children

DEVELOPING A CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW

Why?

We support families through Christ-centered curriculum. The Bible is our main textbook and in everything we teach we want students to see it through a lens of faith so they can understand that all truth is God's truth and be pointed back to the Creator of everything.

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. Colossians 2:8

How?

- Distinctive OCS curriculum that outlines Christian worldview taught in each subject
- Chapels, school themes, class devotions and prayer times, class/school service projects
- Teacher relationships with students
- Supporting families in teaching what is also being taught at home

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

Why?

Just as Christ came to offer redemption for all who would repent and believe, OCS wants to support all students from Christian families who want a Christcentred education.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3:28

How?

- bursary support for families
- a resource program that is of an adequate size to support student needs a community that values every member a culture of belonging and welcoming

- physical spaces that allow for all to access the school •
- ongoing professional development for staff to help meet the needs of every • student
- clearly stated admissions policies surrounding student support

ACADEMICS FOR THE MIND, HEART, AND BODY

Why?

We want the learning that happens at OCS to not only give students head knowledge of who God is and his creation but also help shape their attitudes and desires. Our desire is that all students come to have a saving faith in Jesus and that this leads to a desire to live holy lives characterized by the fruit of the Spirit.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Deuteronomy 6:4-5

How?

- Develop a deeper commitment to love God,
- Mature as a Christian person in relation to self, others, and the environment,
- Discover and develop particular gifts and talents,
- Develop abilities of perception and judgment in moral and ethical matters, Follow the norms for good health and physical fitness Helping students to develop the self-awareness, self-control, and interpersonal skills that
- are vital for work, school, and life success
- Acquire competencies for responsible living as an adult Develop awareness of oneself as a learner able to adapt knowledge, skills and attitudes to the ordinary tasks of life,
- Develop the knowledge and understanding necessary to fulfill one's calling effectively in modern society, Train and discipline those skills and attitudes necessary for satisfaction and productivity in
- the world of work and/or advanced levels of schooling



