

# COMPASS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



Fee-free alternative education for  
young people aged 17 to 24.



# ABOUT COMPASS



Compass Catholic Community is a fee-free, alternative education option for young people aged 17-24.

Located in Davoren Park, Compass provides an opportunity for young people who have disengaged from mainstream school or employment, to re-engage with learning in an environment where they are in control of their own way forward.



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You can **CHOOSE YOUR WAY** here.  
Scan the QR code to visit our  
website and find out more!



# PRINCIPAL WELCOME MESSAGE



**Kelly Bunyon**  
Principal

Hi! I am so glad that you are interested in finding out more about our community.

You may have discovered by now from looking at our website or social media that Compass Catholic Community is a deliberately different school.

We are different in lots of practical ways – we don't charge fees, we don't have uniforms, we work in projects rather than subjects, and we have free childminding on site. But we also want you to know that we see you in a different way. We see you in your infinite worth, we see you in all your potential, we see you on your journey.

And because of that, Compass is a place where you Choose Your Way. We are all about where you want to go, and how we can help you get there. I don't just mean a 'pathway' to further study or a particular job, although that's all good stuff! I also mean who you want to be as a person, the difference you want to make in your life and the lives of others, and the strengths and capabilities you want to develop to live a life that is meaningful to you.

Our staff are committed to your educational journey, and we have social workers and teachers to work side by side with you every day. We focus on providing a safe place where you can explore and express yourself, and get the assistance you need with the challenges you face.

I hope you will get in touch with us to find out more, and explore how we can help YOU get where you want to go.

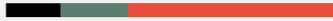
I can't wait to meet you!

Yours sincerely,





# HOW IS COMPASS DIFFERENT?



## Flexible Learning

Compass is a true secondary school with registered teachers, offering SACE and VET, just in a very different way.

There are no subjects, no bells, and no uniforms – but lots of projects and workshops that you co-design around your interests, passions and goals.

The focus is on YOU, where YOU want to go, and providing YOU with the tools, resources and support to get there.

*\*Compass is an approved education provider with Centrelink.*

**Free breakfast** ✓

**Free childminding** ✓

**Free access to shower facilities** ✓

**Free access to laundry facilities** ✓

**Public transport assistance** ✓

**No fees** ✗

**No subjects** ✗

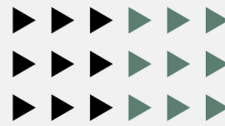
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# OUR FACILITIES



## Learning Hub

The Compass 'Learning Hub' features a makers space, music/recording studio and a tinkering space where you can explore projects and workshops designed by you.



## Kitchen Hub

At Compass, you can access a wide range of VET courses, some of which we deliver on site in our industry standard 'Kitchen Hub', featuring a full commercial kitchen, dining space and coffee pod!



## Early Years Hub

We provide free access to on site childminding in our purpose-built 'Early Years Hub', for students who are responsible for the care of pre-school aged children.



Compass is an environment where the young person is at the centre of everything we do.

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## Can I get my SACE here?

Definitely! Your Learning Facilitator (teacher) will work with you to ensure that your journey with Compass includes achieving your SACE. This can be done in stacks of different ways, all based around what you are interested in.



## When can I start?

One of the great things about Compass is that we have rolling enrolments. So no need to wait until the next year, or the next semester... Ask about the next available starting date when you attend an information session.



## What does a day look like?

The actual focus on each day will depend on what you are working on. But each day will start with a shared, free breakfast before you move into projects, workshops and individual time, always supported by your Learning Facilitator or a Learning Supporter.



## How long does the program go for?

It goes for as long as you need it to – as long as you are still in the age range of 17 to 24. You will need to be participating and attending, but there is no fixed amount of time that you have to complete in.



## What if I want to go to University?

Doing school at Compass won't earn you an ATAR directly, but if Uni is what you are aiming for, there are lots of pathways available that we can help you explore.



## So, it's a Catholic school?

Yep, that's right. However we are here for people from all backgrounds, of all faiths or even no faith. Our Catholic values lead us to express ourselves in service – and Compass is all about that. We are a place that values individuals, and their journey – you won't get any judgement here.

# FREE ON SITE CHILDMINDING



## Compass Early Years Hub

The Compass Catholic Community Early Years Hub provides education and care for the children of parents attending our learning community.

We provide a safe and inclusive environment for pre-school aged children in our purpose-built childminding space, so parents can focus on their learning.



## How does it work?

- The Early Years Hub is open from 10am - 3pm, Monday to Friday, during the school term only.
- Parents must be on site while their child/children are in the Early Years Hub.
- Food and nappies are supplied for children at no cost to you.







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