

31 October, 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

As the Principal of Catherine McAuley Westmead, I invite you to apply for enrolment for your daughter.

Founded by the Sisters of Mercy Parramatta in 1966, our school has a long tradition of educating the young women of the future and inspiring them to 'perform the ordinary extraordinarily well'. Our foundress, Venerable Catherine McAuley, was a strong Irish woman who understood the values of mercy, excellence, integrity, justice, courage and hospitality in all that she did, and with all whom she met. We are proud to say that we continue to aspire for our students to be strong, to know these values, and to embody them in their daily lives.

As a school of 1200 students, we are able to offer a diverse curriculum that is an inspired, academic and God-centred Roman Catholic education, with a vibrant sense of community and a warm welcome to all we meet.

To assist you with the enrolment application process, which is applicable to Year 7 applications as well as enrolment in other years, please refer to our website for up to date information and to book your place on one of our School Tours.

If you are enrolling your daughter for Year 7, 2025, you will be able to lodge your application and copies of all requested documents, either by mail or in person, from 17 July 2023 (beginning of Term 3) up until mid March 2024, if you wish to be considered for our first round of offers. A flyer is enclosed in this prospectus listing dates relating to Year 7, 2025.

The school offers places according to the Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese Enrolment Policy. Please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions section which can be found on the Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese website: <https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/Our-Schools/Enrolment>.

Year 7 students who are offered a place will be invited to participate in Transition Interviews in Term 4 the year prior to starting at Catherine McAuley Westmead. This will be an opportunity for us to get to know you and your daughter, and to ensure she has a settled start to her time at school. If you are applying for a place in Years 8 - 12 an interview will take place once there is movement on the waiting list.

On your acceptance of a place at Catherine McAuley Westmead an acceptance of enrolment fee of \$300.00 is required to confirm your daughter's enrolment, which is then credited against the following year's fees. This acceptance of enrolment fee is non-refundable in the event that your daughter does not take up the offered place.

I look forward to welcoming your daughter as a member of the Catherine McAuley Westmead school community.

Yours sincerely



Ms Mary Refalo
Principal