Children are encouraged to think critically at Nazareth Catholic Primary School. (Supplied)

Take a journey of wonder

Nazareth Catholic Primary School views children as capable and competent. It values an educational environment which empowers the child to thrive with the ability to achieve multiple learning outcomes in a variety of contexts.

This means as a learning community, it asks lots of questions, continually probes thinking and does a lot of talking, as it grapples with new knowledge within its own existing worldview.

The focus is on the process of learning which is situated in the child's particular place and time. This approach enables the child to contribute at his or her point of interest and need, developing theories about how they see things.

Why does Nazareth investigate and apply these ideas for learning? As a society, our mission is great. We need to ensure we are developing critical thinkers who are both entrepreneurial and flexible.

Education needs to continue to adapt and change to the needs of the world around us. This means we must encourage the child to think outside of the box and to experience success and challenges in a psychologically safe environment which fosters taking risks and making mistakes. We need to be open to the child, to learn from the child, and ensure learning is authentic and situated in his or her own context. We need the child to experience learning that is connected to him or her.

Where do other areas of the curriculum fit?

All areas of the curriculum can be found in this model of learning. Staff and students work together to develop thinking which sees the child applying and learning new knowledge which is not bound by a particular learning block. While the school values this Discovery time, Nazareth engages in timetabled explicit Literacy, Maths, Religious Education and Italian learning across the school day.

School tours can be scheduled by phoning (03) 5243 0502. Located on Griffiths Street, Grovedale, email reception@nsgrovedale.catholic.edu.au or visit www.nsgrovedale.catholic.edu.au for more information.

St Therese encourages respect and compassion

St Therese Catholic Primary School Torquay has served the learning needs of Surf Coast families for over 30 years.

Founded on the principles of gratitude, compassion and respect, St Therese School provides a comprehensive foundation to year 6 curriculum that is differentiated and made accessible to students of all learning abilities.

Well-resourced, the school grounds consist of spacious classrooms, outside sporting surfaces and an indoor multipurpose centre, along with specialist art, music and technology spaces.

The school's ties to the Nazareth Catholic Parish provide its students and families with unique opportunities to participate in local events, charity work and social justice within the community.

With an enrolment of close to 300 students, St Therese provides a diverse range of learning experiences including art shows, performing arts demonstrations, sporting carnivals, camps and excursions.

The school celebrates the gifts of each child and recognises the importance of supporting social emotional development. To this end, the school employs wellbeing specialists including psychologists and therapists to ensure that students feel a sense of belonging, safety and inclusion.

St Therese School is currently accepting enrolments for the 2023 school year.

It welcomes prospective families to contact the office for more information about the exciting opportunities a Catholic education at St Therese can provide for your child on their learning journey.

St Therese provides students with a comprehensive and compassionate Catholic education. (Supplied)

St Therese Catholic School Torquay is located at 50 Grossmans Road, Torquay. For more information, phone (03) 5261 4246 or visit www.sttorquay.catholic.edu.au