



*Start your Newman journey...*







## THE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Choosing a school for your child is one of the biggest, most important decisions you will make in your life.

To help guide you through this crucial time, we have developed this prospectus. We hope it will give you a sense of who we are and how your child's time at Newman Senior High School will be a wonderful, well-rounded experience.

Our school is at the heart of the Newman community.

We have a dynamic and quality staff who deliver an innovative curriculum designed to challenge your child as they move through secondary school and grow into adulthood.

We have excellent relationships and partnerships with community and industry groups. These relationships allow us to offer your child a broad range of experiences and opportunities.

Whether you already call Newman home, or if you are planning a move, I encourage you to get in touch with me. I would be delighted to speak to you personally, or walk you around our school so you can see it at work.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child.

Milanna Heberle  
Principal





## THE IRON HEART OF EDUCATION

We have a big, strong heart here at Newman Senior High School. We live in a tough and sometimes challenging part of the world.

In order to grow and prosper we place a lot of worth on our values. We make sure they are at the heart of everything we do.

We are proud of our positive culture and we recognise that it takes work and commitment from the school community to maintain.

We focus on local traditions, quality education, our environment and our diverse school community.

Together with you, the parent or carer, we offer your child the gift of education. Our goal is to raise the achievement levels of all our students – to make sure your child is successful in whatever it is they choose to do.

Our quality teaching staff invest in their relationships with their students. They get to know your child as an individual and tailor their learning to meet specific needs or desires.

These dedicated people – our teaching and non teaching team – also work closely with local community groups and businesses to develop strong and sustainable partnerships that ensure your child has access to outstanding enrichment activities.



### **Newman: a town of resource**

- Settled in 1968
- Mining town – iron ore
- 1200 km north of Perth





# *Our values: the Newman way*

## *Care and compassion*

- We care for ourselves and others.
- We treat people fairly and protect what we believe is important.

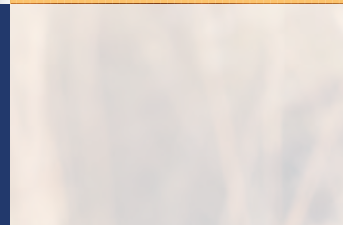
## *Respect*

- We embrace our schools' diverse cultures and treat each other with consideration.
- We make sure we all feel included.

## *Responsibility*

- We are accountable for our actions and resolve differences appropriately.
- Whether personal, academic, social or environmental, we embrace the opportunities we have.





## OUR ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

We are pleased to offer your child a range of learning opportunities which are supported by our specialised staff and our many fine facilities.

Our academic courses provide fundamental skills and knowledge, as well as challenge and extension.

Our core programs are:

- The Arts
- Health and Physical Education
- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Society & Environment
- Technology and Enterprise

For those aiming for a University pathway we proudly participate in the UWA ASPIRE program. This program supports and mentors these students and offers distinct advantages for country students wishing to gain entry to the University of Western Australia.

We have established a unique Sister School partnership which links our school with the high performing Perth based Shenton College. This enables our students and staff to collaborate to enrich and challenge learning.

In addition our access to the School of Isolated and Distance Education (SIDE) increases the range of courses available for our senior students.

We are grateful to BHP Billiton who supports our academic challenge and growth by providing two Year 12 academic scholarships. The Tertiary Academic Excellence scholarship is a one-off payment of \$7,500. The Tertiary mining related scholarship is valued at \$10,000 annually for the duration of the course.

## OUR SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### MINING ALLIANCE PROGRAM

An Approved Specialist Program, the Mining Alliance Program (MAP) is an innovative way for our students to explore careers in the resource sector.

Built on proven partnerships with local business and strongly supported by BHP Billiton, MAP focuses on developing sound knowledge and enhanced skills through links with industry. This includes excursions, work shadowing and/or work placement. We also place an emphasis on reaching the required academic standards.

From 2014 our MAP students will have the added advantage of access to the Trade Training Centre. This means our students can access apprenticeship opportunities and alternative university entry pathways. The learning activities at the Centre will provide our students with the best possible preparation to join the Newman workforce.

The Mining Alliance Program learning experiences are designed to extend and motivate our students. They also address topics such as environmental issues including renewable energy and sustainability.

*Newman's future workforce*





## KICKING GOALS AND SHOOTING GOALS

These two sports programs are about the heart, mind, body and spirit. Not only do they provide physical challenge, they also develop personal confidence, self-belief and a commitment to the pursuit of learning.

Both Kicking Goals (AFL) and Shooting Goals (netball) are based on an innovative reward and incentive system. Students are required to maintain high levels of attendance and behaviour to remain in the program.

The program is designed to encourage school attendance and engagement, develop individual self esteem, demonstrate the importance of goals and aspiration, explore the notions of team work and leadership, demonstrate the importance of health and wellbeing and enable students to contribute back to their local community.

## *Goals and aspirations*







## OUR VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Navigating life's education and employment opportunities can be tricky. Our vocational programs are designed to help students plot a course for their transition from school to employment or further study.

Vocational Education and Training (VET) is offered as a pathway to our students who have a clear career goal. All our VET students are enrolled in nationally recognised certificate courses and may undertake Workplace Learning placement.

Our VET programs have been carefully selected to address national and local skills shortages. This increases the chance of real life employment for our students. Combined with our strong partnerships with local industry, the future is looking positive for students in our vocational programs.





## *Cultural understanding*

### ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

The local Aboriginal people are the Martu who are the custodians of the land. We work closely with the Martu people to develop initiatives that support attendance and that embrace safe and inclusive differentiated learning and cultural understanding.

Our Follow the Dream/Partnerships for Success program assists Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 7 to 12 to excel at school, complete Year 12, and successfully enter university, training or meaningful employment. Follow The Dream encourages our students to aim high and aspire to achieve in all aspects of life.

The Martu Life program is a community program that helps Martu high school aged students to engage in education and develop the tools to help shape their futures. The focus is literacy, numeracy and attendance and the activities operate within the context of food which is of great cultural significance to Martu people.

The Aboriginal Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ATAS) provides supplementary tutorial assistance to our Aboriginal students to improve their literacy and numeracy skills. Our ATAS tutor is an experienced teacher who works one-on-one or through group tuition, either in-class or as a separate group, depending upon individual student needs.





## THE ARTS

Pursuits that express and communicate what it is to be human. These are known as 'The Arts'.

The Arts are an important part of our secondary schooling mix. They provide our students with the knowledge, skills and understandings to express ideas, observations, experiences, values and beliefs.

Our teachers inspire our students to use their creativity, imagination and senses through four main areas:

- Design-Photography
- Drama
- Music
- Visual Arts

Our partnership with the Shire of East Pilbara means our students have access to a well equipped Performing Arts Centre.





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