

KINDERGARTEN

At Cape Henry Collegiate, kindergarten students benefit from high-quality instruction that fosters academic confidence and the social-emotional support needed to become happy, engaged learners. Our curriculum is thoughtfully designed to support the whole child while fostering creativity, curiosity, collaboration and a love of learning.

WHAT MAKES KINDERGARTEN DISTINCTIVE?

Kindergarten lays the foundation for a lifetime of learning by nurturing curiosity, confidence and joyful discovery. Students learn through hands-on exploration, purposeful play, meaningful collaboration and guided instruction that encourages them to ask questions, solve problems and share their ideas. A two-teacher instructional model provides personalized support and meaningful small-group instruction.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT FROM A KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM?

- Engaging, inquiry-based learning experiences that inspire curiosity and exploration.
- Hands-on lessons and small group instruction that build strong academic foundations.
- A nurturing classroom community that develops independence, confidence and positive learning habits.
- Rich opportunities for reading, writing, conversation, creativity and collaborative play.
- Integrated experiences in science, technology, the arts and global studies that connect learning in meaningful ways.

A KINDERGARTEN STUDENT WILL...

- Develop foundational literacy skills through phonemic awareness, phonics, handwriting, reading and early writing.
- Build number sense while exploring counting, addition, subtraction, measurement, shapes and early problem-solving.
- Investigate the natural world through observation, experimentation and hands-on scientific inquiry.
- Explore introductory coding, engineering and simple machines through age-appropriate experiences.
- Develop an understanding of Australia's geography, cultures, wildlife and Indigenous communities.
- Strengthen communication, collaboration and independence.
- Share learning with growing confidence through discussions and creative projects.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE KINDERGARTEN CURRICULUM

Language Arts

Students build foundational literacy through phonemic awareness, phonics, handwriting, reading, vocabulary, comprehension and early writing using rich literature and meaningful discussion.

Mathematics

Students develop number sense through counting, comparing, addition, subtraction, measurement, graphing and exploration of two- and three-dimensional shapes using hands-on problem-solving.

Science and Innovation

Students investigate ocean life, the Great Barrier Reef, the human body, plants and simple machines through inquiry while developing early scientific thinking.

Social and Global Studies

Students explore Australia's geography, cultures, wildlife and Indigenous communities through authentic experiences, creative projects and research while learning what it means to belong to a community.

Kindergarten is a year of remarkable growth as students build foundational literacy, mathematics and social-emotional skills while developing confidence and independence. By the end of kindergarten, students have developed strong academic foundations, growing independence and the confidence to embrace new learning experiences. They leave the year prepared for the increased responsibility, academic expectations and opportunities that await them in 1st grade.