

## Our Environment Offers

- Specialist trained educators.
- Caring and motivated staff.
- Individual Education Planning (IEP) with regular reviews.
- Social and emotional expertise.
- A safe, secure and stimulating environment.
- Transition to high school.
- A large range of technology.
- Wheelchair friendly School.
- Disabled Toilets.
- Wheelchair Bus.

## Support/Agencies

Parents of students with disabilities have the opportunity to meet for coffee and a chat. This happens each month.

We work very closely with:

- Therapy Focus.
- TCCP (The Centre for Cerebral Palsy).
- Vision Services.
- Independent Living Centre.
- Disability Services Commission.

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## Catherine McAuley Centre



### Vision Statement

St Simon Peter Catholic Primary School community will provide challenges for the growth of the whole person. Within a framework of Catholic values, we will strive to live in harmony with each other and our environment by living our motto "Love one Another."

## Our School

The Catherine McAuley Centre caters for students from Pre Kindy -Yr 6 with disabilities that require special needs. We recognise the uniqueness of each individual student and have a responsibility to provide the highest quality education so that each student develops to their full potential.

The staff are committed to a team approach to teaching and learning, in an inclusive setting to ensure that they are making best use of existing expertise and knowledge. Parents are also valued as a part of the team and are encouraged to contribute in the planning for their child's educational needs.



## Programs

The students are all valued as learners and work from their own Individual Education Plan (IEP) which is developed, in consultation with parents, a Catherine Centre teacher, mainstream teacher, therapists, the Principal and the Catholic Education Office Consultant.

Students are part of a mainstream class but may be withdrawn individually or in small groups. The program focuses on appropriate academic skills, encouraging independence, improving social/emotional competency, behavioural management, development of self care and communication skills.

Our students are exposed to working with a variety of Education Assistants so they do not become dependent. Our aim is to provide each student with the necessary skills to allow for a successful transition to high school.



## Inclusion

Opportunities are also provided for students to access maximum participation in the mainstream classroom.

The children take part in the preparation of the sacramental programs with their peers. The Catherine Centre staff support students if necessary and attend excursions, camps, sports days and participate in the school swimming program.

All staff at St Simon Peter School promote the cognitive, emotional, social and spiritual development of students. We facilitate the purposeful inclusion of these students within the life and activities of the school.

