



# Christ Church Grammar School

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## **MEDIA STATEMENT: Christ Church Grammar School inspiring a new generation of boys**

*The Making of Men* is a program unique to Christ Church Grammar School, designed specifically for Year 9 boys and aimed at building the inner man.

The year-long program includes a three week live-in experience (On Queenslea Drive or OQD) aligning the concepts explored in the School's Health and Wellbeing curriculum, and Outdoor Education program at Koorngal (the School's outdoor education venue near Dwellingup).

"The program brings the boys together at a time when they are experiencing significant adolescent development and ready to explore the range of new and exciting possibilities that life presents," says Christ Church Grammar School Principal, Mr Alan Jones.

"It has been wonderful to hear and witness the raw feedback from the boys as they complete this 'rite of passage' program."

"Mateship, accepting challenges, bonding and developing a greater appreciation and understanding of one's parents are just a few examples of emerging themes and very moving accounts shared by our participants so far."

Led by a talented team of educators, *The Making of Men* complements the existing holistic framework of Christ Church and its focus on building the inner man.

"Held on campus, the live-in experience ensures there is no interruption to the academic program with boys attending classes during the school day."

"In the mornings and evenings, boys have dedicated time to explore new concepts through a series of life skills sessions, creative workshops and activities."

"The evening sessions are when life skills are introduced and developed, when spirituality and values are questioned and investigated, and when leadership and character begin to surface."

"One of the unique aspects of this program is that it involves the entire community, including parents and significant role models. This helps ensure young men develop a strong sense of identity and belonging."

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