

FACT SHEET

YEAR 5 AT BRISBANE GIRLS GRAMMAR SCHOOL



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“OUR JUNIOR SCHOOL WILL BE A PLACE OF WONDER AND DELIGHT: WHERE CURIOSITY IS NURTURED, PLAY ABOUNDS, AND LEARNING IS AN ADVENTURE.”

Principal, Ms Jacinda Euler Welsh

Brisbane Girls Grammar School was founded on a commitment to provide a broad, liberal education for girls, grounded in the tradition of exceptional scholarship. Inspiring in students a lifelong love of learning, Girls Grammar establishes the educational foundation for girls and young women to contribute confidently to their world with wisdom, imagination and integrity.

As the School's educational offering broadens in 2026, our provision of an exemplary education for girls—one that is both traditional and innovative—will extend to Year 5 and 6 students. A rigorous and inspiring model for upper primary-aged girls, Girls Grammar's Junior School will provide high-quality, enriching experiential learning opportunities, preparing girls, in a developmentally appropriate manner, for secondary schooling.

YEAR 5 2026 INTAKE: 100 STUDENTS

The Junior School will be a close community in which girls are known and understood, and where their needs are cared for and talents recognised. Junior School students will benefit from the resources and opportunities a BGGs education offers within a model that is of a standard equal to, but distinct from, the secondary educational offering for which BGGs is renowned.

FACILITIES

Year 5 students will spend most of their time in the purpose-designed Junior School building at 89 Gregory Terrace. The Junior School will be a whole school in a building—a miniature of the Senior School—and include a library, tuckshop, specialist learning spaces for Science, Art and Music and its own playground. Classrooms will be designed for young learners, with an inclusive learning environment conducive to active participation and holistic development.

Students will use the School's existing sporting (Rangakarra) and outdoor education (Marrapatta) campuses, and will access Main Campus facilities such as the library and theatre spaces, swimming pool, classrooms and nearby green spaces.



CURRICULUM

The Junior School curriculum is informed by the Australian Curriculum, with a focus on the development of the whole student. It will foster a strong sense of curiosity and wonder to establish a strong pathway to Year 7 and the Senior School.

Year 5 students will study:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Health and Physical Education
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- Digital and Design Technologies
- Creative Arts: Music, Visual Art and Drama
- a Language.

Students will be taught by a combination of expert primary school classroom teachers and specialist teachers.

HOUSES

Each Year 5 student will be placed in a Junior School House for sporting competitions. These will be different from the existing Houses for Years 7 to 12 students, supporting a 'fresh start' for all students entering Year 7. The Junior School Houses will encourage loyalty, spirit, and opportunities to meet and engage with students outside of their core class, fostering deeper connections within the Girls Grammar community.

CORE CLASSES

Students will learn in core classes of approximately 25 girls, allowing them to develop friendships with classroom peers while also forming relationships with other students through specialist lessons, co-curricular activities and during play times.

The eight Junior School core classes will be named after pioneering Girls Grammar alumnae, honouring the significant achievements of these women.

CORE TEACHER

Each core class teacher will be an expert primary school teacher who will oversee students' academic learning, while nurturing individual care. Each girl will be known individually and valued for her unique character and abilities.

CO-CURRICULUM

No matter where their interests lie, Grammar girls are encouraged to embrace opportunities to learn outside the classroom.

Fitness, Health and Wellbeing	RunFit FunFit	SwimFit Rock Climbing
Interhouse competitions	Interhouse Swimming Interhouse Cross Country Interhouse Athletics	
Team Sport	<i>Term 1:</i> Oztag, Ball Games, Swimming <i>Term 2:</i> Athletics, Football, Tennis <i>Term 3:</i> Touch Football, Cross Country, Netball <i>Term 4:</i> Australian Rules Football (AFL), Cricket, Water Polo	
Instrumental Music	Group Music lessons Junior Ensemble Program Orchestra, band and choral groups	
Debating, Drama and Dance	Students will be able to compete in Debating competitions, Drama performances and Dance events.	
Clubs and Activities	A wide range of clubs and activities is on offer including (but not limited to): Chess and Games club; Libellum; Calligraphy; Textile Innovations; Astronomy; Design; Digital Photography.	



CLUB SPORT

Girls Grammar teams will enter club competitions for sports such as Netball and Water Polo.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Year 5 and 6 students will have the opportunity to fulfil formative leadership roles, both within their core class groups and across the wider Junior School of 200 students.

Leadership opportunities include:

- 2 Junior School Captains
- 2 School Sport Captains
- 2 School Arts Captains
- 2 School Service Captains
- 8 House Sport Captains (two for each House)
- 8 Class Captains per Semester (two for each class)
- Activities Captains e.g. chess, sports teams, choir
- Junior Student Council—comprising Junior School, Sports, Arts and Service Captains

WELLBEING

Year 5 students will have dedicated lessons that follow a best-practice, evidence-based and individualised wellbeing curriculum. Student Care will introduce concepts and strategies that empower students to build respectful relationships, understand their body and mind, and find their purpose and meaning. Specialist staff, including School Psychologists and School Nurses, will provide expert support as required.

UNIFORM

In Year 5, students will wear a uniform consistent with the current Girls Grammar uniform, but with a hat and tie that is unique to the Junior School. Blazers will not be worn until Year 7.

If you have any questions, please contact Head of Enrolments, Ms Jennifer Todd, on 07 3332 1436 or enrolments@bggs.qld.edu.au.