

# Start Strong

## Term 1 Pre-Service Teachers Observational Experience

In line with our school motto: *Fortior Quo Paratior - The Better Prepared, The Stronger*, Canterbury College's **Start Strong** experience provides an immersive opportunity for Pre-Service Teachers in their last year of study, to observe those structures, routines and expectations that foster a successful classroom culture.

Start Strong is purposely designed for participants to gain invaluable, practical, 'real world' insights into how teachers set students up for success.

Participants will be placed into either a Junior School team or Senior School Faculty for the duration of their experience.



# World Ready

Since  
**1987**

**33**  
Hectare  
Campus

**1,650**  
Students

**315**  
Staff



## A Canterbury Education Four Dimensions

## Our Values

The strength of our Community is built on:

### Integrity

Matching our words with actions and taking responsibility, even when no one is watching.

### Respect

Showing compassion, forgiveness, understanding and regard for all people and our environment.

### Gratitude

Being thankful stewards who show appreciation for what we have and who return kindness.

### Effort

Having the determination to improve, make contributions, and rise to the challenge.



## By engaging in the routines of the first three weeks of the school year, participants will observe the following...

- 1** The establishment of expectations around learning behaviours, social behaviours, daily routines and processes with students.
- 2** The establishment of positive relationships with students in the classroom and around campus.
- 3** The impact of consistent, evidence-based educational strategies over a three-week period.
- 4** Organisational elements operating at a whole school and faculty or departmental level, including the careful construction of planning and assessment documentation.

## Pre-Service Teachers will receive...

- ✓ Access to five mentoring sessions with our Coordinator of Early Career Teachers Program.
- ✓ Priority consideration for a final teaching placement at Canterbury College.
- ✓ The opportunity to develop sporting, musical and digital skills, while working alongside top quality teachers and coaches, in exceptional campus facilities.
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae construction advice.

## Eligibility

Start Strong is available to Pre-Service Teachers who are entering, or are midway through, their final year of Bachelor of Education or Master of Education studies, and are able to fully commit to a minimum of three days per week for the duration of this observational experience.

## Application Process

Please supply a Cover Letter outlining how this opportunity can build upon your prior learning, referencing your most recent school placement.

We also request a copy of your most recent school placement report.



### Please also include these details:

- Your area of study
- Your course – Bachelor of Education or Master of Education
- Your tertiary institution
- Your expected graduation date

Please email your Start Strong application to:  
**Canterbury College's Coordinator of Early Career Teachers Program, Mrs Emma Crooks** –  
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