



# Immaculate Heart of Mary School

10<sup>th</sup> February 2025



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our students have the opportunity to be involved in an exciting program: **'Children's University'**. Children's University (CU) aims to encourage high quality out of school activities for children aged between 5 and 14 years, engaging the wider community as learning partners in this process. The most important principles of CU are that participation is voluntary, and activities must take place outside the normal school day during lunch, after school, weekends and holidays. All CU learning is designed to inspire children to think about their futures with a greater knowledge of the careers and professions that they could aspire to.

Led by the University of Adelaide, CU aims to nurture aspirations and develop a love of learning. Children and young people enrolled in CU are issued with a *Passport to Learning* which records their individual learning journey. After the first 30 hours of learning, children are rewarded for their participation at a graduation ceremony held at the University of Adelaide. Children can graduate multiple times depending on the hours they accrue. Information on the hours, and award levels, can be found in the *Passport to Learning*.

Participating students have access to activities at school, online and in the wider community (*Learning Destinations*). These activities have been validated by CU trained staff as good learning experiences. Once your child becomes a member, a full list of *Learning Destinations* can be found by logging on to the CU Portal at [www.cuaportal.com](http://www.cuaportal.com).

Please note that CU is not compulsory, children are encouraged to take responsibility for their learning, choosing what to do from a variety of offerings. Students are enrolled in CU when they receive their ***Passport to Learning***.

**The annual fee for 2025:**        **\$38.50** (inc. GST)  
**School Card Holders:**        **\$16.50** (inc. GST)  
**Replacement Passports:**    **\$7.70** (inc. GST)

If your child would like to become a member of CU for 2025, please see the link below to access the online application form. Payment can be made by visiting Julie at the Reception Desk.

**PLEASE NOTE: REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025**

