



# Waitara Public School Together we learn & grow in harmony

Education Principle 1: First and foremost, focus on the <b>needs of learners and learning</b> .	Education Principle 2: Build <b>community and identity</b> and create a culture of welcome, inclusion and belonging that reflects and respects diversity within the school's community.	Education Principle 3: Be aesthetically pleasing.	Education Principle 4: Provide <b>contemporary, sustainable learning environments</b> that:	Education Principle 5: Embed the potential for <b>re-configurability</b> , both in the present for multi-purpose use and over time for changing needs.
<b>Principle 1:</b> Waitara PS provides safe accessible, connected and flexible learning spaces that are centred on future focused learning and are adaptable for the changing needs of learners and learning	<b>Principle 2:</b> Waitara PS is a community that creates and celebrates a culture of welcome, inclusion and belonging that reflects and respects diversity.	<b>Principle 3:</b> Waitara PS seeks to create an environmentally, aesthetically pleasing flexible space that embraces historical and environmental challenges while maintaining and developing community focus.	<b>Principle 4:</b> Waitara PS offers diversity of indoor and outdoor spaces which manifests sustainability while enabling quality future focused technological learning environments.	<b>Principle 5:</b> Waitara PS offers a flexible learning environment that transition between indoor and outdoor learning spaces that are aligned with the site and embrace a vision for the future.
<p>Promote spaces that encourage learning for students and teachers through collaboration, social interaction, active and creative investigation.</p> <p>Provide flexible spaces that accommodate different size groups to engage in a range of activities that encourage learner self-management and self-direction.</p> <p>Support a full range of teaching strategies from direct explicit instruction to facilitation of inquiry and authentic project and problem based learning.</p> <p>Develop a thoughtful design that reduces the impact of urban noise and congestion with a focus on local safety.</p> <p><b>Provide all weather access between teaching and learning spaces</b></p>	<p>Provide contemporary facilities that enable and enhance community partnerships and link services in supporting our local community. eg. before and after school care.</p> <p>Plan for the potential for the school to grow and expand whilst maintaining open green space.</p> <p>Provide school facilities that invite the local community to share and interact with the school to build a strong presence and connection with the community.</p>	<p>Provide imaginative, safe and colourful student friendly environments that integrate and maximise indoor and outdoor learning space.</p> <p>Maximise the openness of the site for seamless learning and teaching between inside and outside learning spaces.</p> <p>Maximise playground space to allow the school to influence exercise and play while promoting healthy living and accommodating age appropriate areas.</p> <p>Recognition of the main building to the community and its link to the past.</p> <p><b>Position school buildings near the boundaries in a compact model to maximise outdoor play areas.</b></p> <p>Provide aesthetically pleasing spaces with a new approach to fit out and furnishings that encourage active, creative and flexible learning.</p>	<p>Enable future focused learning practice by the use of online collaborative technology to ensure students can access <b>rich stimulus global perspectives</b> and have the ability to <b>create for a wide authentic audience</b></p> <p>Creating a <b>stimulating</b> teaching and learning environment. Spaces to support collaborative planning and learning.</p> <p>Employ passive design principles for the comfort of building minimising energy use through winter warming and summer cooling. Through sun, shade and ventilation.</p> <p>Connect with school, environmental sustainable programs such as a garden.</p>	<p>Create spaces that stimulate and support all students including those with special needs to connect succeed and thrive.</p> <p>Landscaping hard and soft materials, playing field for sports, games court, shade and play equipment are key elements of outdoor play areas.</p> <p>Core educational facilities that can accommodate a large school population eg hall, canteen, performance area, library, staffroom, office space, parking, cooking facilities.</p> <p>Facilitate learning and connectivity anywhere, anytime by providing seamless access to ICT and integration of learning resources throughout the learning spaces.</p>