# Strategic Plan 2020—2023 Interconnectedness



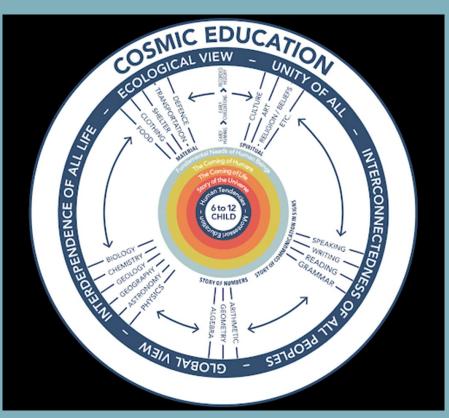
**Margaret River Montessori School** 

**EDUCATION IN**HARMONY WITH LIFE

## INTERCONNECTEDNESS

The child is endowed with unknown powers, which can guide us to a radiant future. If what we really want is a new world, then education must take as its aim the development of these hidden possibilities."

Maria Montessori, The Absorbent Mind



This plan borrows extensively from Dr Montessori globalist view that every aspect of life is interconnected and it is in recognising and harnessing the power of that collective strength that we enable our children to truly achieve that "radiant future."





#### Offering our children the world...

I am delighted to present this Strategic Plan to the Margaret River Montessori School Community. It represents the energy and drive of the current School Council to focus on what's at the heart of education—the children—and all that is required to provide them with the highest quality Montessori education for a better life and a better world.

Viv Tansley
School Council Chairperson



## Strategy 1— Wellbeing of All

**Mental Health Goal:** Our School has a comprehensive approach to mental health that ensures all stakeholders are captured.

**Physical Health Goal:** Our Sports facilities offer opportunities for fitness and sporting experiences are available to all students

### Strategy 2 — World Wisdom

**Community Engagement Goal:** Students at every age undertake meaningful community projects that value add to all involved.

Indigenous Cultural Heritage Goal: Students demonstrate respect for and understand the place of indigenous cultures in Australia and around the world.

Global Citizenship Goal: Students are equipped with skills and knowledge to solve problems and find solutions to current and future global issues.

**Environmental Custodianship** Goal: Students act as environmental custodians of our school site and transfer this action to the wider world.

#### Strategic review process

During the 2020 school year the School Council enlisted the expertise of a sub-committee. Many thanks go to the members of the Strategic Planning Sub-committee who applied Maria Montessori's idea of interconnectedness to bring our Mission and Vision to life.

#### Mission

Our Mission - To provide a quality, innovative Montessori education in a safe, respectful and nurturing environment. Our child-centred, individualised approach motivates young people to be: engaged in the joy of play and life-long learning; inspired with a desire to be independent and achieve their best; filled with self-belief, acceptance of differences and willingness to contribute meaningfully to their community.

#### Vision

Our Vision - To raise the next generation of thinkers - strong academically, creative, imaginative and confident in their abilities; aware, conscious of the environment and their place in a global world; spirited, with an understanding of themselves, their selfworth and the joys of kindness and friendship, with unbridled energy and a thirst for learning to last a lifetime.





## Strategy 3 — Learning at our Core

**Independent Thinkers Goal:** Students are equipped to utilise independent thinking and solutions fluency in all facets of their life.

**Leadership for the Future Goal:** All students to demonstrate leadership skills and be empowered to make decisions that may

have impacts on local, state, national and global communities.

Arts in Focus Goal: Students have access to opportunities to explore 'arts' of their choice.

## Strategy 4 — A School for the Future

**Adolescent Program Goal:** School Council is working towards provision of a Montessori Adolescent Program.

**Governance** Goal: Outstanding governance can be secured with training and succession planning in place for all governors and positions.

**Diversity Development Goal:** Opportunities are provided for students from disadvantaged backgrounds to experience a Montessori education.

**Future Proofing our School** Goal: New resilience measures are addressed, implemented and reviewed regularly.



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