



VISION for
Therapy Services at Kurrambee School

School Vision: Supporting students in developing independence, building character, enhancing quality of life and maximising community membership.

At Kurrambee School, we strive to have a strategic and planned approach to support the cognitive, emotional, social, physical and spiritual wellbeing of our students. We also aim to support students and their families to access services that support the school's vision and students' Personalised Learning Plan.

We aim to be able, where possible, to embed therapy goals and plans into the students' everyday program to develop their functional lifeskills, communication and physical skills whilst ensuring that student is happy and safe in the school, home and community. To be able to do this, a current plan needs to be given to the school and explained and/or demonstrated to staff to ensure that there is consistency in expectations and delivery of the program, at home, school and community.

At Kurrambee School, we have a Culture of Communication where we espouse 16 values. Our students primarily use boardmaker to develop their receptive and expressive communication. However, as the students have Personalised Learning Plans, communication is also individualised and some may access other AAC. Across the school, every classroom has access to Core and Fringe Vocabularies that we are happy to share with therapists. Across the school, we have a significant number of iPads that we use for communication at school and our preferred APP is TouchChat. Many of our classes have specifically developed overlays that have been developed for classes and students in the TouchChat App. Some of our students can use our 14, 36, or 80 cell core vocabulary on the iPad. We are happy to work with speech therapists to extend on the student's current communication goals using resources that have been developed by school

Our student's social, emotional and spiritual welfare are catered for at a whole school level as well within their Personalised Learning Plans. We agree that some of our students need additional supports outside school to achieve these goals. At Kurrambee school, we believe in a holistic approach to cater for all our students additional social, emotional, and spiritual needs and we welcome input from Psychologists and other external agencies to support the student at home, school and the community in order to enhance a student's quality of life and maximise their community membership.

