



St Morris Unit

Trinity Gardens School



A Department for Education site
for Students with Disability



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The St Morris Unit

The St Morris Unit currently has three classes. There are four Special Education teachers and one Coordinator. All students are supported by School Services Officers and Health Support Officers/Nurses from the Access Assistant Programme.



Inclusive Education

Trinity Gardens School embraces diversity and has a strong commitment to Inclusive Education. All students in the St Morris Unit are provided with opportunities for learning across a diverse range of settings including within equivalent mainstream year level classes, specialist classes and Steiner stream classes.

Vision Statement

The St Morris Unit at Trinity Gardens School is a safe, secure and respectful learning environment for Students with Disabilities. We believe that each student is a unique and competent learner that can be empowered to be actively involved in their school and their local community. We believe that our students learn best when they are happy and confident. We provide our students with high quality, personalised and engaging learning programs and we build trusting and collaborative partnerships with our families and the local community.



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Conductive Education

Conductive Education is integrated into all learning opportunities at The St Morris Unit. Based on the foundation principles of building independence, using structure and rhythm; our students are provided with opportunities to further develop their gross motor strength and control through lying, sitting, standing and walking tasks. They are also provided with opportunities to further develop their fine motor strength and control through circuit and upper limb strengthening tasks.



Communication

Educators in the St Morris Unit provide a rich Communication Curriculum for all students that encompasses Intensive Interaction, Assistive Technologies and Augmentative and Alternative Communication systems; including eye gaze technologies.



Multi-sensory Learning Environments

Students at the St Morris Unit have access to varied Multi-Sensory Learning spaces both indoors and outdoors. Students in the early years access Nature Play opportunities in the Portrush Forest and in the middle and upper primary years, this space is accessed for focused STEM learning.

Criteria and Placement

Process:

Students with complex needs are considered for special options placement in The St Morris Unit after having been referred and assessed by the Department for Education Student Support Services team.



National Disability Insurance Scheme:

The St Morris Unit can accommodate NDIS Service Provision/Therapy on site and during school hours. The terms and conditions of this must be negotiated with the St Morris Unit Coordinator.